



# Our Lady of Mercy St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Family

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## OFFICE HOURS

The office serving both Our Lady of Mercy & St. Brigid's is open Tuesday from 8:30 am till noon at the Parish Center at 44 Lake Street in LeRoy.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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## CONFESSIONS

*Our Lady of Mercy Parish*

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM  
Tuesday: 7:00-7:30 PM  
Thursday: 6:00-6:30 PM

*St. Brigid's Parish*

Saturday: 2:00-2:30 PM





**Our Lady of Mercy Parish**

- Monday, Jan. 3**—The Most Holy Name of Jesus, memorial  
 7:30 a.m. † Special Intention  
*by Teams of Our Lady*
- Tuesday, Jan. 4**—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious, memorial  
 7:30 a.m. † Tom & Angela Perzia  
*by Children*
- Wednesday, Jan. 5**—St. John Neumann, Bishop, memorial  
 7:30 a.m. † Isabel Gangi  
*by Condidorio Family*
- Thursday, Jan. 6**—St. André Bessette, Religious, memorial  
 7:30 a.m. † Rita Murphy  
*by Daily Mass Rosary group*
- Friday, Jan. 7**—Christmas Weekday  
 7:30 a.m. † John C. Rohl  
*by Dad & Mom*
- Saturday, Jan. 8**—Christmas Weekday  
 9:00 a.m. † Father Richard Rasch O. de M.  
*by Knights of Columbus, Edward W. Powers Council 2936*  
 4:30 p.m. † David Miller  
*by Lorraine Maloy*
- Sunday, Jan. 9**—The Baptism of the Lord, feast  
 7:15 a.m. † George Donohue  
*by Wife & children*  
 10:45 a.m. † Sebastian Gangi (Anniv)  
*by John & Mary Margaret Scanlan*  
 5:30 p.m. For the People

**St. Brigid's**

- Tuesday, Jan. 4**—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious, memorial  
 8:30 a.m. † Joseph Villareale  
*by Rosemarie Davies*
- Thursday, Jan. 6**—Christmas Weekday  
 8:30 a.m. † Rita Montgomery  
*by Ron & Regina Smith*
- Sunday, Jan. 9**—The Baptism of the Lord, feast  
 9:00 a.m. † Judy Lang (Birth)  
*by Paul & Kryz Lang*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2022**

- Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
- Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
- Next Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**LIVE THE LITURGY**

**Inspiration for the week**

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement of freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines point us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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- Saturday, 4:30pm -Our Lady of Mercy (Vigil Mass)**  
**Sunday, 7:15am - Our Lady of Mercy**  
**Sunday 9:00am - Saint Brigid**  
**Sunday, 10:45am – Our Lady of Mercy**  
**Sunday, 5:30pm – Our Lady of Mercy**

*If you are physically infirmed, according to universal Church Law, you are not under obligation to attend Mass in person. If you are not clearly ill, but believe that medical prudence requires you to remain at home, please call the office or one of the priests' cell phones to receive a dispensation from the obligation, and/or to arrange the reception of Holy Communion.*



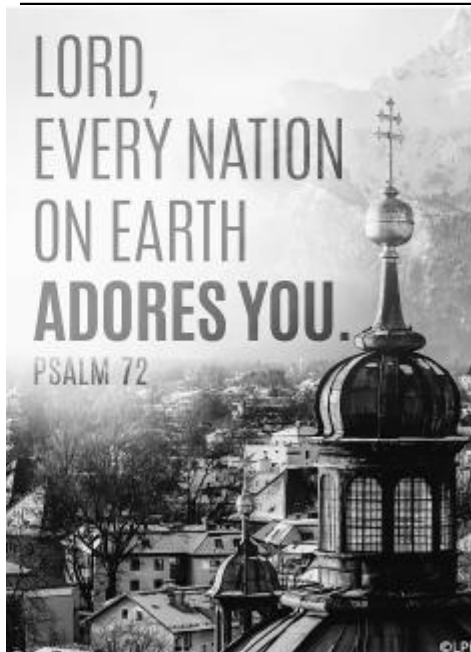
*Pray for...*

- Paul Anderson, Ray Ashley, Michelle Balon, Chris Beach, George Behrens, William Bochicchio, Janet Boehly, Virginia Bennetti, John Caccamise, Diane Coccia, Kara John (Merica) Coduri, Fr. Eugene Costa, O. de M., Gasper DeFelice, Joshua Dinnar, Lloyd Dodge, Sister Janet Eppolito, John Ferrara, Betty Forti, Arlene L. Glica, Sr. Jude Ellen Golumbieski, Joe Haitz, Lisa Hauslauer, Dorothy Heaney, Barbara Howard, Anne Marie Hutchinson, Br. Martin Jarocinski, O. de M., Joanne Johnson, Fr. Oscar Kozyra, O. de M., Don Kurtz, Joseph and Rita Kuzma, Anita LaMonica, Maryann Loiacono, Michael Lovell, Madonna Lee, Steve Lippold, Philip Mart, Joe Mathis, Marlene McMahon, Nancy Merica-Keil, Roger Medley, Suhair Musleh, Kathy Musshafen, Victoria Paladino, Louise Panepento, Marian Peck, Frank Popowich, Donna Potter, Deb Pratt, Jim and Sarah Quirk, Beatrice Radley, Sam Riggi, Sharron Scott, Phyllis Shephard, Ben Sherman, Juliana Spadacino, Berney Staats, Jennie Starowitz, Thomas and Sharon Steffenella, Donna Stephenson, Patrick Sullivan, Ruth Dries Tusch.*

*If you or a loved one is sick and would like to be added to this parish list, please call the parish office.*

**The Deacon's Closet:** The purpose of this ministry is to assist those who cannot afford medically needed equipment to assist with in home care with items such as wheelchairs, canes, walkers, commodes, etc. If you need the use of items, please call 585-813-3588.

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## INTO THE BREACH

### Video Discussion Series

Please join us for our next Into the Breach Session at the Knights of Columbus Hall (behind Save a Lot) on **Saturday, January 15th at 10:00 AM**. Our monthly video discussion series begins with a 10-15 minute video on a chosen topic, followed by a guided group discussion. All men are invited to attend and each session is self-contained, so if you haven't attended before, please continue joining us this month. **Our topic for January is "Life."**



Knights of Columbus

### Saint Brigid Happenings

#### PARKING REMINDER:

When attending weekday or weekend services at St. Brigid's, please park only on the north side of Gibson St. This will assist village utility trucks, snowplows and other large vehicles. Thank You.

#### St. Brigid book club



January 25th is our next meeting. Join us at St. Brigid's Parish Center at 6:30pm, where we will discuss The Orphan Collector by Ellen Marie Wiseman. All are welcome for our interesting discussion and light refreshments. Please be prepared to mask if necessary.



**Share a Yarn:** Next meeting is January 3rd. Bring your red baby hats that will be delivered to UMMC's nurse in recognition of American Heart Association Month in February.

**Angel Tree:** THANK YOU to everyone who donated gifts to our Angel Tree family and gift cards to the Byron-Bergen holiday fund. Through your generosity, these families will have a Merrier Christmas.

### Our Lady of Mercy Happenings

#### Women of Grace

Next meeting January 10th from 7:00-8:15pm at OLM Parish Center in the St. Brigid Room. We are a group of Catholic women who shares faith and supports each other in our spiritual journey. All are welcome. For more information contact Patty at 768-2102 or Mike at 768-7604.



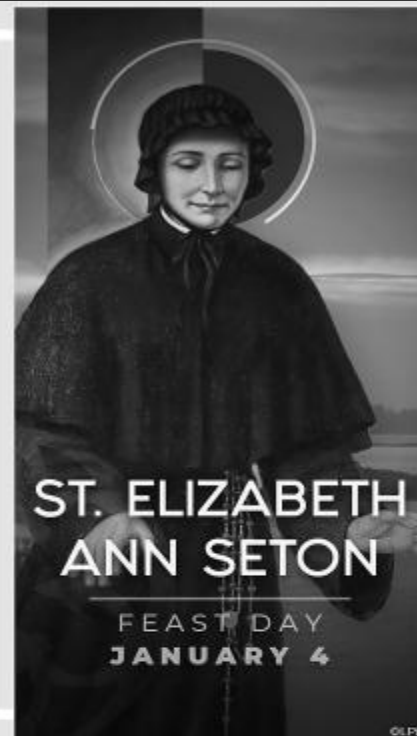
**FLOWERS OF CARMEL:** Next meeting is Jan. 8 from 9:30am—12:00pm at the OLM Parish Center.

#### SANCTUARY LAMP REMEMBRANCE

Each sanctuary lamp burns for 14 days, and the cost is \$15. Your remembrance will remain in the bulletin as your lamp burns. Contact the office to request a Remembrance.

**Our Lady of Mercy:** Jan. 1-14  
In honor of Joseph & Rose Perry  
by Children & Grandchildren

**St. Brigid:** Jan. 1-14  
In memory of Poor Souls  
by Br. Martin



ST. ELIZABETH  
ANN SETON

FEAST DAY  
JANUARY 4

### Saint of the Week

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."



**CHRIST HAS VISITED AND REDEEMED HIS PEOPLE.**

God may be calling you to visit and free those Christian captives who, by circumstances contrary to the Gospel and dignity of the human person, are in danger of losing their faith.

**Contact** Fr. Daniel Bowen, O. de M. at 727-348-4060, or visit [orderofmercy.org](http://orderofmercy.org)



The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the “rock” upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, in this ten-session study Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us.

**JOIN US: Wednesday evenings beginning Jan. 5, 2022, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.** In person at OLM Parish Center or from the comfort of your own home (via Zoom). Each Wednesday evening session will include a video presentation and discussion.

Optional study guide available for purchase (\$10) please let Denise know ASAP. To register, and to receive links to join the Wednesday evening discussions, please email Denise at : [youthminister@ourladyofmercylero.org](mailto:youthminister@ourladyofmercylero.org)

## Kids Corner



**MISSION THIS WEEK:** I will do three favors to help someone in my family today.



**You are invited to come together every Sunday at 8:30am at St. Brigid prior to 9:00am Mass, when we pray the Holy Rosary.**

**At Our Lady of Mercy, you are invited to come together every Sunday at 10:15am prior to 10:45am Mass, when we pray the Holy Rosary.**



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST. BRIGID**

On the first Sunday of each month, there will be a period of Eucharistic Exposition following the 9:00 am Mass. At 2:30 pm, the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation will commence.

**EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AT OUR LADY OF MERCY**

**There will be Eucharistic Exposition every Sunday at 2:30pm** with the Rosary and Holy Hour for Our Nation. This will continue every Sunday with the exception of the first Sunday of each month which will take place at St. Brigid Church. Join us! Also, Thursdays, after morning Mass until 6:30pm, followed by evening prayer from 6:30-7pm.



**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for Dec. 19, 2021**

Our Lady of Mercy.....	\$7,698.00
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