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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- MONDAY, January 3rd**
7:00 am Barbara Rosenquist
by Mike & Lisa Lewis
- TUESDAY, January 4th**
9:00 am Ronald Nuhfer
by St. Anthony's
Knights of Columbus
- WEDNESDAY, January 5th**
7:00 am Gary O'Hare
by Mike & Lisa Lewis
- THURSDAY, January 6th**
7:00 pm Patrick Nuhfer
by Jerry Nuhfer
- FRIDAY, January 7th**
7:00 am Dick Walters
by David & Jennifer Wortman
- SATURDAY, January 8th**
4:30 pm Catherine Dangelo
by Rosemary Schenck
- SUNDAY, January 9th**
8:15 am For the Living & Deceased
Members of
Holy Redeemer & St. Anthony
- 11:00 am Linda Goldthwaite
by Ann Orinko

Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light is lit in memory of
Tony Tomassoni
this week.

Prayer Line

Please call Mona Champion at 968-3232,
Barb Ciprich at 723-1894, or Kim Wynn at 706-6995
with your prayer requests.

Happening This Week and Beyond

- January 7th**
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 7:30 am—Noon
- January 9th**
Diocesan SYNOD Facilitator meeting
Holy Redeemer 11:00 am-6:00 pm
- January 10th**
Movie Matinee in Meyer Hall at St. Joseph
Esther 2:00 pm
- January 17th**
Salvation Army food pantry pick up
*Please have all donations to the parish office prior to
8:30 am today.*
- January 18th**
Blood Bank 12:00 pm-5:00 pm



Please join Jennifer at Saint Joseph in Meyer Hall on
January 10th at 2 pm for **ESTHER**, a powerful
retelling of the Book of Esther and her courage, faith
and obedience. Jen Lilley stars as Esther. 92 minutes
running time. Popcorn and drinks served. Don't miss
this inspiring woman of the Bible!



FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

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January 2, 2022

Feast of the Epiphany

To My Spiritual Family of Holy Redeemer and St. Anthony,

A New Year of Grace: “Behold, I make all things new (Rev 21:5)!” What a beautiful promise we have from our Lord! Whatever the past year has been (and admittedly, it hasn’t been all we had hoped for), Jesus Christ offers a new beginning. As sinners, we absolutely need that new beginning. And God, in his mercy, not only forgives, but he heals and binds and restores. As the bearers of a fragile human condition, we often find ourselves wounded, broken, and on the point of losing hope. But we must never lose hope! Christ is a God of hope! He is hope! So we place the new year into his hands. We turn to Mary, our Mother, seeking her guidance and intercession. We ask our guardian angels and our patron saints to be at our sides. And then with shoulders back, chins up, and knees bent in prayer . . . we march confidently into 2022.

Tithing Our Blessings: Our initial parish tithe for this new year will be used to form a parish “emergency fund.” We did the same last year, and used that emergency money to support people who were desperately in need. I like to say that our parish is not a bank. Our goal isn’t to increase our assets for the sake of increasing our assets, but to use them for God’s purposes. We exist as a church family to preach the Gospel of Christ and to build up his kingdom. The money that you so unselfishly offer to the parish must be used principally for those objectives. And since God has a tender concern for the poor, so we too must seek to alleviate the want and the suffering of those most in need. Speaking both for myself and for the Pastoral Council, we want to express our sincere admiration for the good you have made possible through the monthly parish tithes (recall that we tithe 10% of our weekend collections). Please know that your generosity in 2021 resulted in almost \$30,000 being given to local and international charities. That’s tremendous! From the poor here in Warren County to disaster victims in Haiti, you made a real difference in the lives of so many. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! The teaching of our Lord on such generosity is clear: “As you did it to one of the least of my brethren, you did it to me (Mt 25:40).” Well, you fed and clothed and comforted Jesus in the year that has been. And through our 2022 parish tithes, we will be able to touch even more lives. Praise God!

The Most Important Resolution: Please recall the profound message of the Frenchman, Leon Bloy: *The only sadness is to not be a saint.* So beyond everything else we may wish to accomplish in this new year, growth in Christian discipleship and growth in holiness are the most important of resolutions. We are called to be saints! Yes, it takes discipline and ardor. And we live in a time when doing difficult things does not hold the same attraction that it once did. But we must do difficult things if our lives are to bear fruit for God’s kingdom. We are not made for comfort. We are made for holiness! So let’s redouble our efforts to pray daily, go to Mass weekly, and to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation monthly. And of course, we must also strive to love sacrificially and forgive without limit. None of this is easy, but our growth in holiness has eternal benefits for ourselves and for others. The world desperately needs you to be another Christ. So be a saint!

Please know of my continued prayers. I hope your New Year is a beautiful one. And whatever joys and challenges lie ahead, God will always be with us. Do not be afraid!

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer – Pray for us!

St. Anthony – Pray for us!

St. Joseph – Pray for us!

Fr. Steve

Synergy Faith Formation News & Events

Upcoming Events

January 9th
4th Grade Retreat
8:15 am— 12:00 pm at Holy Redeemer

EDGE Classes Grades K-8
January 9th & 30th
9:15 am— 10:30 am at Holy Redeemer

CREW Classes Grades 9 & 10
January 9th & 30th
9:15 am— 10:30 am at Holy Redeemer

March 10th, 2022
Confirmation 7:00 pm at St. Joseph

CONFIRMATION 2022

Please note that a Confirmation date has been confirmed by the bishop's office. We will celebrate this beautiful gift of our Church with our young people on

Thursday, March 10th at 7 pm at Saint Joseph

this year. We do not control or choose this date. It is assigned to us so if you are experiencing conflicts with this date and you are a family or sponsor involved, please contact Jennifer at 688-3842. We can make arrangements for Confirmation in another parish. Come Holy Spirit and enkindle in them the fire of your love!

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Online Gaming: 72% of teens, both male and female (ages 13-17) play video games. More than half of those teens said they have made new friends online. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children analysis of Cyber Tipline reports has found that gaming platforms are more often used in the online enticement of young boys than any other group of children. It is important for parents to talk to their child about safety in online gaming. Some important questions to ask are: Have you ever been cyberbullied while gaming? Do you know what information is OK to share about yourself while gaming? Has anyone talked about sex while you were gaming or asked you to send pictures of yourself? If your child answers yes, report the matter to law enforcement. Visit www.eriecnd.org/childprotection/ for additional resources.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Joseph (Pre K - Grade 6) 814-723-2030

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday Evening 4:30 PM (Holy Redeemer)
Sunday 8:15 AM (Holy Redeemer)
Sunday 11:00 AM (St. Anthony)

WEEKDAY

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:00 AM (Holy Redeemer)
Tuesday 9:00 AM (St. Anthony)
Thursday 7:00 PM (Holy Redeemer)

HOLY DAY

Evening Before Holy Day 5:00 PM (St. Anthony)
Evening Before Holy Day 7:00 PM (Holy Redeemer)
Holy Day 7:00 AM (Holy Redeemer)
Holy Day 9:05 AM & 5:30 PM (St. Joseph)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (Holy Redeemer)
Thursday 5:30 PM-6:30 PM (Holy Redeemer)
Friday: 6:30 AM-6:55 AM (Holy Redeemer)
Or on request.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

After the 7:00 AM Mass -12:00 PM

FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION

After the 7:30 AM Mass -12:15 PM

BAPTISMS: Upon request:

Pre-baptismal instruction is provided.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

VISITS/SACRAMENTS TO THE SICK: Notify us if anyone is in the hospital, ill at home or unable to attend Mass.

BULLETIN ITEMS: Must be to the office by the end of business two Fridays prior to publication.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday
8:30 AM–12:30 PM & 1:30 PM–4:00 PM
Friday 8:30 AM–12:30 PM

2022 Mass Book is OPEN

Sister Parish

Thank you to everyone who has dropped their change into our Sister Parish donation jar. This past year Holy Redeemer Parish has collected a total of \$594.36!! What an amazing blessing your generosity has bestowed on those in need.

Marriage Moment

The Epiphany is a feast of kings, camels, and stars. (Mt. 2:1-12) But what does it mean for a married couple today? Take a moment this week to look at a star together. Remember that God's love for you and your love for each other is bigger than this world and the sky.

Family Perspective

After meeting Jesus, the Magi returned home by "another way." What in your family needs to be done "another way?" Do you need "another way to resolve differences, to communicate or show affection? This is a new year, time to change what isn't working. Take a tip from some wise men, there's always "another way."

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Earthly possessions dazzle our eyes and delude us into thinking that they can provide security and freedom from anxiety. Yet all the time they are the very source of anxiety.
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depths of our hearts.
Mother Teresa

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