


Welcome to Blessed Sacrament Church
May all who enter as guests leave as friends

1626 West 26th Street • Erie, PA 16508
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January 2, 2022



They were
overjoyed at
seeing the star.

Matthew 2:10

Blessed Sacrament Parish Mission Statement

To nourish our love of God through Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Centered in the Eucharist, we are developing a faith community through prayer, education, worship and Christian fellowship. As stewards of God's love, we strive to share our gifts and talents for the service of God and all His people.

PARISH DIRECTORY

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CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Richard Tome from his nieces and nephews in New York.

SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE

The St. Joseph Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Joan Jaskiewicz from Diane and Rich Valahovic.

CHAPEL SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Chapel Sanctuary Candle will burn this week for a Special Intention of Janet Hammond.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

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."

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 8 @ 4:00pm

Lector: Lisa Dietrich

Eucharistic Minister: Jenn Lydic, Lisa Schnars [S]

Altar Servers: Maria Bruschi, Rose Dana, Max Erven

SUNDAY, January 9 @ 8:30am

Lector: Gerri Piecuch

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Koket, Carol Delo

Altar Servers: Brianne & Mia Koket

SUNDAY, January 9 @ 11:00am

Lector: Jim Ackman

Eucharistic Minister: Ashley Lauria, Stephanie Ackman

Altar Servers: Simon & Kate Kunik

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3—Christmas Weekday

8:00 +John Strohmeier / Grumblatt Family

Tuesday, January 4—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00 +Jane Crilley / Bob & Mary Jo Fulton

Wednesday, January 5—St. John Neumann

8:00 +Pruskowski Family / Gerry Hughes

1:15 +Doris Wisinski Baranello / Family

Thursday, January 6—Christmas Weekday

8:00 +Julia DeDad / Margie & Jerry Luthringer

Friday, January 7—Christmas Weekday

8:00 +Susie DeDad / Sean & Bernadette Carroll

Saturday, January 8—Baptism of the Lord

4:00 +Michael Bross / Ed Balliett

Sunday, January 9—Baptism of the Lord

8:30 *Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament Parish

11:00 +David E. & Duane R. Ziegler / Donna Ziegler

7:30 +Jan McInchak / Husband, John

* Living

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass in the Church at 8am Monday -Thursday

On the first Friday of the month...Mass at 8am followed by Eucharistic Adoration 8:30-9:30am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

*Sunday: 8:30am**, 11:00am and 7:30pm***

***these Masses will be livestreamed on our parish website & our Facebook page*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00—3:45pm and by appointment

Unvaccinated people should wear a face mask.

Social distancing is encouraged

The priests, deacon & Eucharistic Ministers will continue to wear face masks when distributing Communion.

???QUESTION OF THE WEEK???

Question for Children: In your life, who helps you to see Jesus in other people such as a classmate or a friend?

Question for Youth: The star guided the Magi to Jesus. What are the people or events who have guided you in your relationship with Jesus?

Question for Adults: How this past week did you demonstrate God's love at home and at work?

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though you have already come. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. AMEN

From Our Pastor

Happy New Year! We continue to observe Christmas with this Feast of the Epiphany. Jesus' presence in the world is revealed to the ends of the world. The visitors from the east symbolize the extent of God's salvation as it unfolds for all people.

The story of the Epiphany of Jesus is one of love and honor. The Magi go to pay homage to the new born king. Each time we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we pay homage to our Savior Jesus Christ just as the Magi did. Today's feast honors the act of worship. The Magi didn't want to read about Christ to get a second hand review about Jesus, they wanted a first-hand encounter with Jesus.

But one encounter doesn't complete the efforts of a Christian. We must always be seeking Christ and to grow in a relationship with him. We also need to grow in our understanding of the Kingdom of God and grow in understanding of ourselves and our gifts which have been given to bring others to Jesus. We have opportunities daily to reveal to others the person we know who began life in a manger in Bethlehem.

This is a traditional time for home blessings. Take a piece of chalk and inscribe above your front door the initials 20,C,M,B,22 the initials of the three kings. (Read more about this on page 5)

On the lighter side...

The three wise men walk into a barn...and see Joseph, Mary, and baby Jesus. Joseph asks why they are disturbing them as his wife had just given birth and needed rest. The first wise man said "I have brought gold for the child."

Joseph thanked him but ask that they leave. Then the second wise man said "I have brought frankincense for the child."

Again Joseph thanked him but was getting annoyed as they were interrupting a special moment between him and his wife. He then, forcefully, asked them to leave when the third wise man said "But wait there's myrrh!"



New Year's blessing for you and your family.

Fr. Phil



HOME BLESSING FOR THE EPIPHANY 20 C + M + B 22

Our church has a long tradition for blessing of homes in the Christmas Season. It arises out of the fact that Jesus, as Son of God, became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. The Magi visited the earthly home of the Holy Family and so it is that day that we use for a home blessing by parents.

Gather the family outside the front door or main entrance of your home.

Write the numerals of the new year in chalk over the front door, as well as the initials C, M, and B, representing the traditional names of the Magi—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.

Begin by singing “We Three Kings” and by praying together the Sign of the Cross. Then offer the following prayer of blessing:

***Lord God of heaven and earth,
You revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star.
Bless this house and all who enter it.
Fill them with the light of Christ that their concern for others may reflect your love.
We ask this through Christ the Lord AMEN***

Remember to celebrate the Birth of Christ for the twelve days of Christmas. This will include the Feast of His Baptism. Proclaim to your neighbors and friends the sacredness of these days by keeping a part of your Christmas decorations in place, especially your manger scene.

May your family be blessed with the presence of Christ throughout this coming year.

***There are some signs for you to hang up in your homes in the lobby of church today.
Take one home with you and as a family say the prayer on the back
as you place the sign over your door.***

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 or 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 to 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 pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©LPi



COMFORT IN GOD'S ARMS PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We have shawls available to take to your loved ones who need to feel the comfort of God's arms around them. If you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl or would like to join our group, please contact Linda at (814) 490-8022. There is ***no charge*** for the shawls. Our Ministry is glad to provide comfort and prayers for your loved ones in need.



Sunday, January 02, 2022 SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD The sanctity of home

"Home is where the heart is" is an ancient proverb. Many folks find their deepest level of satisfaction and fulfillment in family life. But home is also where the hearth is: the place to which we come in from the cold to restore ourselves, where we put up our feet, sigh, and relax. Our homes are sacred to us; why not commend them to God? On Epiphany, we're invited to gather with our loved ones to bless the door, walls, and table of our dwelling. Compose your own blessing together or visit the USCCB's Blessing of the Home and Household on Epiphany for the rite of home blessing.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 (20).* "The star they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was."

Monday, January 03, 2022 MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS Initial reflections

Do you have anything monogrammed with your initials, perhaps towels or clothing? While monogramming is decorative, it also marks your belongings as yours. Jesus has a monogram too: "IHS," which stands for the first three letters of the Greek spelling of the name of Jesus. Later the monogram was associated with the Latin phrase Iesus Hominum Salvator (Jesus Humankind's Savior). There is power in the very name of Jesus and so Catholics venerate it. Perhaps you've seen this monogram on altars or vestments. Jesuits use the IHS monogram as the emblem of their society. You can bear his monogram too—by calling on his name and showing to the world that you belong to him.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (212).* "And great crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan followed him."

Tuesday, January 04, 2022 MEMORIAL OF ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS Fed by the bread of life

Raised Episcopalian, Elizabeth Ann Seton knew about Jesus multiplying loaves. On Sundays, she was a devout communicant at historic Trinity Church on Wall Street. But it wasn't until Elizabeth went to Italy with her children and husband in 1803, attending Mass with Catholic friends, that she was drawn to the Real Presence in the Eucharist. "How happy would we be, if we believed what these dear souls believe," she wrote, "that they possess God in the sacrament, and that He remains in their churches and is carried to them when they are sick!" In honor of Mother Seton, the first U.S.-born saint, resolve to receive Communion more often this year.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44 (213).* "He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people."

Wednesday, January 05, 2022 MEMORIAL OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP Get to know your neighbors

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint John Neuman, the first Redemptorist priest ordained in the United States and the first male U.S. citizen named a saint. Neumann, who emigrated to the United States from Bohemia as a young man desirous of being a missionary, is revered for his tireless work among immigrants in the Northeast. He had a talent for understanding people and knowing what would bring them peace and comfort. Seek to emulate this holy man, who one of his fellow bishops observed, "had a solution for every question posed," and an "unruffled composure, which betokened deep humility and perfect self-control. I always regarded him as a saint."

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214).* "If we love one another, God remains in us, and [God's] love is brought to perfection in us."

Thursday, January 06, 2022 MEMORIAL OF ANDRÉ BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS The comeback kid of Québec

Saint André Bessette's remarkable life began when he was born into poverty in 1845. Orphaned by age 12, considered a failure in school, he practiced unskilled trades until his pastor encouraged him to join the Congregation of the Holy Cross. The congregation reluctantly admitted him, concerned about his frail health. Brother André defied expectations, living to age 91 and becoming famous throughout Québec for the many healings people experienced after visiting him in his role as a humble doorkeeper. Why not ask Brother André for his intercession, be it for mental, spiritual, relational, or physical healing?

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 4:19—5:4; Luke 4:14-22 (215).* "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

Friday, January 07, 2022 MEMORIAL OF RAYMOND OF PEÑAFORT, PRIEST Make straight your path

Through its long history, the church has been careful to make a distinction between the canons, or rules, of the church and the laws of the state. The canons, from the Greek *kanon* for "straight," were meant to guide Catholics toward the mission of the church—to keep them on the straight and narrow of faith, so to speak. There are 1,752 canons, many that pertain to all of us. For example, Canon 210: "All the Christian faithful must direct their efforts to lead a holy life and to promote the growth of the church and its continual sanctification, according to their own condition." In honor of the patron saint of canon lawyers, Saint Raymond of Peñafort, do your best to follow the rules of the church and give witness to God's saving love.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16 (216).* "God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."

Saturday, January 08, 2022 SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Increasing Christ

Tomorrow, the Baptism of the Lord, marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. The days, dates, and seasons of the church's liturgical calendar focus the whole People of God on the same celebrations. During Advent we prepare. In Christmas we welcome. Lent is a time of reflection and repentance. Easter is new life. In Ordinary Time we celebrate the ongoing effects of God's grace. So when "Silent Night" or "We Three Kings" is sung throughout the world, the air fills with the grace generated by God in our hearts. Sing a Christmas hymn today and know that the stars are singing with you.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30 (217).* "He must increase; I must decrease."



*Daily renewal for busy Catholics.
Invest just five minutes a day,
and your faith will deepen and grow a day at a time.*



WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

Answer: Epiphany means “manifestation,” or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew’s infancy narrative differs from Luke’s account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph’s long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.

Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact? ©LPi

Engaged couples: Plan ahead for a happy, healthy marriage The Marriage and Family Life Office is hosting an Engagement Encounter weekend this January 28-30, 2022. Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to provide engaged couples the tools for a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here’s what folks have loved in the past: Time as a couple to focus on their relationship, a community that prays and has fun together, a non-judgmental atmosphere, the chance to set a good foundation for their marriage, and the opportunity to retreat from busy wedding details and enjoy each other. Learn more or register at <https://www.eriescd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html>. We would love to welcome you this January!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Just a reminder that classes will start on **Sunday, January 9th @ 9:30am for grades 7 through 10**. If you have not yet registered your child(ren), please send in your registration forms to the parish office prior to the start of classes. If you have any questions or need a registration form, please email Jenn Durney at jdurney@bserie.org or call her at the Parish Office at 454-0171.

2022 CALENDARS

2022 Calendars are finally here! There are two designs to pick from. Thank you to the Francis V. Kloecker Funeral Home for providing the calendars for us every year.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:

You are invited to spend some time in prayer with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin every First Friday of the month after the 8:00AM Mass and continue until 9:30AM at which time we will have benediction.

From St. Alphonsus Liguori, “Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us.”

Join us on Friday, January 7th

SEVENTH ANNUAL 138 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

"Say Yes! to the 7th Annual 138 Women’s Conference. The conference will be held from 8:30-12:30 on March 12, 2022. You may attend live at St. Jude Parish in Erie, PA, virtually at satellite parishes via zoom or in your own home via zoom. The cost is \$20.

This years conference will feature national speakers Lisa Hendey, best selling author and founder of Catholic-Mom.com and Patricia Breen who writes online for Blessed is She, Fem Catholic, Grotto Network and CatholicMatch.

Visit our website at www.138women.com for more information and to register."



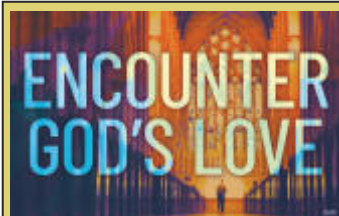
KNIGHT’S CORNER

Knights of Columbus After Christmas Coat Drive

We are collecting **new coats** for children and adults. Boxes will be available at the Church Entrance for your donations starting on Christmas Eve.

Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping those who need warm coats for the winter.





GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: “Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, “Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God’s love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being.”

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you’ve caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film “It’s a Wonderful Life.”

If you’re not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life. One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing “Buffalo Gals — Won’t you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?” That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn’t have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn’t it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. “Upon you the LORD shines,” writes Isaiah, “and over you appears his glory.” Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember, the magi didn’t chart their own course. They merely followed the star. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

Readings for the week of January 02, 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



First Fridays for Families

Join Blessed Sacrament parish during the 2022 year in a unique prayer experience!
Every First Friday of the month, we will offer a guided Eucharistic Adoration program geared toward children and families of all ages on Friday evening at 6pm.
 Everyone is welcome to this experience to be with Jesus in a very real and unique way.

2022 Schedule


January 7th	July 1st
February 4th	August 5th
March 4th	September 2nd
April 1st	October 7th
May 6th	November 4th
June 3rd	December 2nd

Contact Jen Durney, jdurney@bserie.org, with any questions

31 CLUB Pray for Vocations

January 03 date available...how about you?
 January 04 Carol Delo
 January 05 Marianne Zimmerman
 January 06 Mary Lou Peterson
 January 07 Bob Fulton
 January 08 Richard Moore
 January 09 Carolyn Johnston

Members of the 31 Club agree to go to daily Mass **and /or** offer prayers on a particular day every month for an increase of vocations to the Church. One of the best ways to increase vocations is through prayers, and the greatest prayer we have is the holy sacrifice of the Mass. *Please call the Parish Office if you want to be in the 31 Club and experience the satisfaction that comes from helping to fulfill a great need in the Church. We have openings on three different days, but you can pick your own date too!*



Blessed Sacrament School is Hiring

Blessed Sacrament School is searching for a middle school English Language Arts teacher.

We are also in need of a **before care worker** on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We also need an **after care worker** on Fridays.

All interested candidates are asked to call the school at 814 455-1387 and speak to Principal Jane Wagner.

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\$\$\$\$\$ RAISE THE ROOF LOTTERY \$\$\$\$\$

12/16 #824...#825...#823 no winners
 12/17 #973 **Maureen Decker \$50...**
 #974...#972 no winners
 12/18 #582...#583...#581 no winners
 12/19 #087...#088...#086 no winners
 12/20 #845...#846...#844 no winners

JANUARY TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE
 \$5 per ticket 93 chances to win this month

If you want tickets, call Diane in the Parish Office at 454-0171 or send an email dfisher@bserie.org and leave a message with your choice of numbers.
We appreciate your support.

PARISH FAMILY

Pray for all those in our parish family who are hospitalized, ill, homebound and in nursing homes as well as those who care for them.

Pray for members of the military,
Pray for peace in our country and for God's protection and guidance over our country.

***Congratulations to the following
Mercyhurst Prep Students
who earned honors in the 1st Term:***

FIRST HONORS: Katelyn Olinger, Dylan Warzynak, Rachel Ciotti, Peyton DeForce, Zoe Angiolelli and Samuel Applebee.

SECOND HONORS: Anna Amendola, Tanner Ashton, Thomas Klins and Agnes-Lynn Hosu

HONORABLE MENTION: Kathryn Kunik and Jacob Applebee

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- Enjoy and celebrate your faith.

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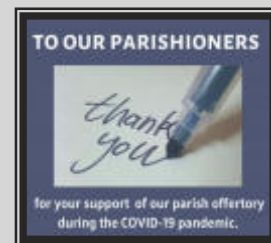
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Adult Offering:	\$ 5,078.00	167 [632]
Loose:	\$ 630.00	
Online:	\$ 1,194.00	56 [250]
Immaculate Conception	\$ 64.00	
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 35.00	
Christmas:	\$ 310.00	
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 50.00	
Youth Offering:	\$ 30.00	
Total:	\$ 7,391.00	

School Support:	\$ 40.00
Food Bank:	\$ 200.00
Religious Retirement:	\$ 182.00
World Mission:	\$ 60.00

2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Pledged to Date:	\$ 79,893.00	[241]
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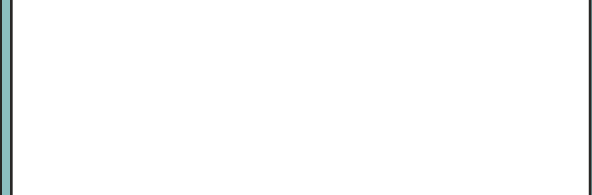
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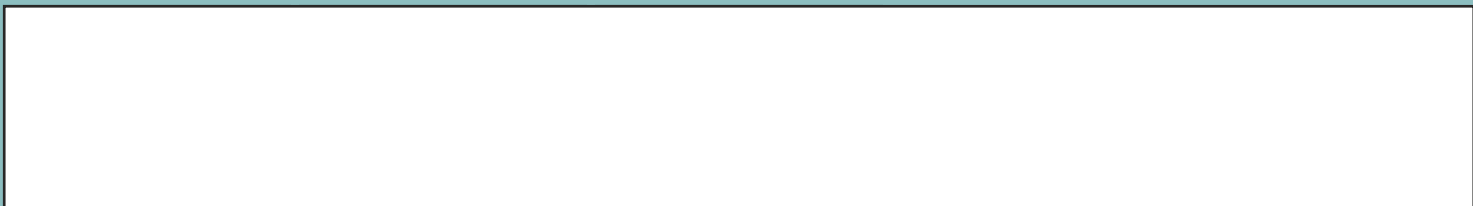
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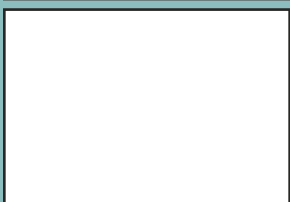
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