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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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					
Parish Office	814-454-0171				
Parish Office Hours:					
Monday—Friday 7:30am—3:30pm					
Closed for Lunch 12:00-12:30pm					
E-mail	dfisher@bserie.org				
Website	www.bsparisherie.org				
School	814-455-1387				
Cafeteria	814-455-7113				
Prayer Requests	860-6211				
Bulletin Deadline	Monday at noon				

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> If child abuse is suspected call: PA Child Line: 1-800-932-0313

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CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Church Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Margie Walkiewicz from Bonnie Fetzner.

CHAPEL SANCTUARY CANDLE

The St. Joseph Candle will burn this week in loving memory of Mickey Metzger from Marilyn & Bill Julio.

SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR CANDLE

The Chapel Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in honor of Roil Strobel from Gail and Sam.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

A new year has begun. Perhaps you've made a New Year's Resolution. Perhaps not. Today, just think about today! What kindness can you offer your beloved today.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus was publicly AFFIRMED by his Father: "You are my beloved son, with you I am very pleased." As parents we can become so focused on misbehaviors we overlook the good behaviors. Jesus needed AFFIRMATION and so do our children.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 15 @ 4:00pm Lector: Rich Moore Eucharistic Minister: Denise Lif, Patty George [S] Altar Servers: Angeline, Ted, Edward & Anna Terrizzi SUNDAY, January 16 @ 8:30am Lector: Jim & Janine Calabrese Eucharistic Minister: Susannah Klins, Mary Lou Peterson [S] Altar Servers: Thomas & Molly Klins, Annie Theisen

SUNDAY, January 16 @ 11:00am

Lector: Casey Meyer Eucharistic Minister: Nathan & Kevin Kujan Altar Servers: Morbe & Ladule Ladu

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 10–Weekday 8:00 +Glen Miller / Betsy Truran Tuesday, January 11-Weekday 8:00 *Living & Deceased Constantino Family Members / Kevin Helsley Family Wednesday, January 12-Weekday 8:00 + Mary Pirrello / Children 1:15 +Ida Stumpf / Bob & Mary Alice Haibach Thursday, January 13—Weekday 8:00 +Bob Hughes / Wife, Gerry Friday, January 14—Weekday 8:00 NO MASS Saturday, January 15—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 + Mickey Metzger / Family Sunday, January 16—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 + Jean Santone / family 11:00 *Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament Parish 7:30 +Tom Peck / Family

* 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: What are some things you can do to please God?

Question for Youth: "With you I am well pleased." What are you doing right now that is pleasing to God? How does it feel to live that way?

Question for Adults: Name a time when you felt your actions were pleasing to God.

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

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a fitting way to close the Christmas season. The child from our manger scenes has grown up and became a man. Whatever hopes the shepherds and the magi felt that long-ago Christmas night are now being put to the test as Jesus launches his public ministry. Expectation was the order of the day as we began Advent, and the expectation is the ending note of the Christmas season. The question is now will we live lives of hope and expectation in our efforts to be disciples in this new year.

Pastoral Council will be meeting on January 13 at 6:30PM in the cafeteria. There will be discussion about the church space and further thoughts on pastoral planning and the world wide Synod. If you have anything you might want discussed please call the office or speak to the following Council members: *Al Smith, Carol Delo, Jim Ackman, Jason Bish, Jenn Durney, Mary Jo Fulton, Paul Smola, Steve Curcio, Deacon Kevin, Jane Wagner, Fr. Phil*

Reflecting on the Christmas Season makes me grateful for all the sacrifices so many made to help the entire parish celebrate the Incarnation of Jesus. The decorators once again out did themselves, their creativity is impressive. Kathy Golden and her cantors and choir were on the mark having returned from a pandemic pause. The church cleaners, Ushers and K of C all did their part to help make Blessed Sacrament's Christmas a true joy! Thank You!!

The Diocese of Erie is offering two separate small group experiences this Lent to explore racial justice. These opportunities are sponsored by the offices of Social Justice and Life and Faith Formation Parish Support. Those who are looking for Christian community, a place to ask big questions, and a way to explore the Gospel call to work for racial justice are invited to learn more and consider applying at <u>https://www.eriercd.org/socialjusticelife/</u> racialjustice.html. Applications are due Jan. 18. Questions can be directed to the Social Justice and Life Office at <u>SJL@ErieRCD.org</u>.

All the best this week. Let us remember the great gift of Jesus all day every day so the world can live in hope!

Peace, Fr. Phil

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED Baptismal Bib

Question: At my grandson's Baptism, the priest put a bib on the baby. I do not remember seeing this before. Why is this done? Is it something new?

Answer: When an adult is baptized, there is a part in the ceremony when the newly baptized is vested in a white garment. It is symbolic of the changes that baptism brings in the life of the baptized as they are freed from the bonds of sin and brought into the saving grace of Christ. Realities that are so profound are symbolically presented so that we might better grasp and understand them.

Infants are often dressed in a baptismal dress, which is the baptismal garment. In some places, the bib is used as a kind of baptismal garment. At the place in the ceremony where the investiture takes place, the bib is used. Some are poncho-like and fit over the baby's head. Others are simply placed on the baby's chest. If the baby is dressed in a white garment, nothing else is needed. The prayer says it all: "See in your white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity ... bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." In baptism, we are given our purpose and goal in life as believers, and this is symbolized by the white garment. ©LPi

<u>CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS</u> 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.eriercd.org/childprotection/ for additional resources.

44th Annual Pro-Life Breakfast

Saturday, January 15, 2022...Erie Bayfront Convention Center...Special Guest Speaker Rachel Bovard

Reservations should be made by January 10 at the latest. Adults and Teens: \$20 / Ages 3-12: \$12 / Younger kids are free / Complimentary child care will be available after the breakfast meal. Payments can be mailed or hand delivered to People for Life. Credit cards can be used online and over the phone. For more information or to register, visit www.peopleforlife.org/january2022

Rachel Bovard is the Senior Director of Policy at the Conservative Partnership Institute in Washington, DC. She is also affiliated with the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College. She is a 2006 graduate of Grove City College.

Bishop Lawrence Persico, Congressman Mike Kelly, and state Senator Michele Brooks will each speak briefly. Music will be provided by Brandon Fox of the popular group Brandon Fox Worship.

49th Annual Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC.

Anderson Coach & Travel buses will leave Erie at 11 p.m. on January 20 and return at approximately 1:30 a.m. on January 22. The March for Life will officially get underway at noon on January 21 with the traditional Rally on the National Mall. People for Life has chartered buses, as many as five, every year since the first March for Life in 1974. (Last year we had to cancel our buses for the first time, due to COVID-19.)

Bus seats are \$60, but sponsorship assistance is available for those who need some help.

Payments can be made by cash, check or credit card, in person, over the phone or online at <u>https://peopleforlife.org/january2022/bustrip2022.html</u>.

The March is consistently well-organized, completely orderly and peaceful – an uplifting family event.

Erie March for Life Saturday, January 29, 2022

Arrive at the Perry Square Pavilion in downtown Erie by 10:45 a.m. March at 11 a.m. The event concludes by 12:30 p.m. or earlier with a brief program of speakers. Gannon Students for Life will be among the participants, and their President and Vice President will be among the speakers. This is a permitted march with police supervision.



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.

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



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 <u>https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html</u>. We would love to welcome you this January!

Sunday, January 09, 2022

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Tell it like it is

The hidden days are over. When the Spirit descends on Jesus and the heavenly voice proclaims him beloved, Jesus is effectively outed as the Divine Son. Did Jesus know this was the hour when his private life would come to an end? When any dreams he may have had for a quiet domestic existence were surrendered for good? The underlying truth is that on the day of our Baptism, we each surrender the notion of a private world that's all about us. As Pope Francis puts it, "Immersing us in Christ, Baptism also makes us members of his body, which is the Church, and participants in its mission in the world." Be the beloved. Share the love.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 or 40:1-5, 9-11; Acts 10:34-38 or Titus 2:11-14; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 (21). "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Monday, January 10, 2022 Give every child a chance

According to the National Center for Child Poverty, about 15 million children in the United States—21 percent of all children—live in families with incomes below the federal poverty line. The Christ Child Society seeks to address the critical needs of these children. U.S.-born Servant of God Mary Virginia Merrick, who died on this day in 1955, founded the Christ Child Society in 1887 at the age of 20—despite being paralyzed from a childhood injury. Today, its 6,000 members volunteer nearly 400,000 hours and serve more than 75,000 children and their families annually. You may find a chapter—or start one—at nationalchristchild.org.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20 (305). "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 Pray the way to a more perfect union

Dom Lambert Beauduin, a Belgian Benedictine monk, died this day in 1960—but not without influencing the way we pray at Mass. As a liturgical scholar, Beauduin championed—years before Vatican II—the idea of worshipers actively participating in the Mass rather than sitting in pews to pray their private devotions. He promoted the idea of congregants literally "being on the same page," able to follow along with the Latin by using worship aides to translate the words of priests and prayers. "Beauduin had an insatiable thirst for unity," notes a biographer. Pray for greater unity in our church today.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28 (306). "On the sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught." Wednesday, January 12, 2022 Here I am, Lord

Jesus saw his healing ministry of the sick and spiritually oppressed as a call from God. It is the same call each of us receives, not only to serve God and his people but to serve ourselves—to be our best selves, which will bring us the greatest joy. Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, known as an apostle of love, explains the profound grace that comes with responding to God's call in his "Jesus, the very thought of thee" hymn: "... how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!/ But what to those who find? Ah, this No tongue nor pen can show;/ The love of Jesus, what it is None but His loved ones know."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39 (307). "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."

Thursday, January 13, 2022 MEMORIAL OF HILARY, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH In defense of the faith

Saint Hilary (d. 468) was a bishop during a time of great contention in the early church. He was popularly selected to lead, and he undertook scholarship that continues to be recognized today. His informal title, "Hammer of the Arians," has a violent ring to it, but in fact, he defended the Trinity against the Arian heresy through his writing, even though his opponents used the more forcible method of exile. Living a truly Christian life—loving those who oppose you, forgiving wrongs, turning the other cheek—has often been ridiculed by those who prefer the use of force. You can "defend" the faith by the way you choose to live.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45 (308). "A leper came to him and kneeling down begged him and said, 'If you wish, you can make me clean.'"

Friday, January 14, 2022 I feel your pain

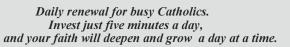
Healing gospel-style involves assessing the physical, mental, and spiritual health of the ill person. As Pope Francis says, Jesus asks us: "To stop and listen, to establish a direct and personal relationship with others, to feel empathy and compassion, and to let their suffering become our own as we seek to serve them." This holistic approach is slowly being embraced by Western physicians. Today's healthcare providers are encouraged to use such tools as the FICA method to assess a patient's faith; its importance in their decision-making; their connection to a community of likeminded believers; and the recommended action related to the spiritual assessment. We're all commissioned to be healers to some extent; the next time someone comes to you in pain, remember this compassionate approach.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2:1-12 (309). "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk'?"

Saturday, January 15, 2022 The stone rejected

In our continued observance of the Amoris Laetitia Family Year, we are reminded by Pope Francis to consider the complexities of people's lives when we're tempted to judge their family or marital situation. "It can no longer simply be said," writes the pope, "that all those living in any 'irregular situation' are living in a state of mortal sin." Non-traditional families need to be offered "understanding, comfort, and acceptance." We need to stop applying moral laws as if they were, in the pope's words, "stones to throw at a person's life." Consider today the grace of God's mercy, compassion, and forgiveness operating in your own life.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Mark 2:13-17 (310). "Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners."





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Based on conversations we have had with families across the US, it can be an overwhelming and heartbreaking time; and there are many questions especially since each situation is unique. We started to put together a series of guides meant to cover the common initial questions people had.

You can see them here:

- https://www.caring.com/senior-living/memory-care-facilities/
- <u>https://www.caring.com/senior-living/memory-care-facilities/pennsylvania</u>
- https://www.caring.com/caregivers/alzheimers/
- https://www.caring.com/caregivers/dementia/

Elizabeth Thompson <u>elizabeth@caring.com</u> Community Outreach and Senior Advocate

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 Catholic-Match.

Visit our website at <u>www.138women.com</u> for more information and to register.

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

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"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." — Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear. ©LPi

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022				
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			
Monday:	1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20			
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28			
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39			
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45			
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12			
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17			
Next Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11			



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.

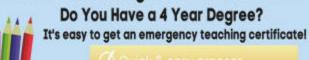
2022 Schedule

January 7th February 4th March 4th April 1st May 6th June 3rd

July 1st August sth September 2nd October 7th November 4th December 2nd

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

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31 CLUB Pray for Vocations

January 10 Patty Palermo January 11 date available....how about you? January 12 Mary Alice Haibach January 13 Mary Lou Schroeck January 14 date available ...how about you? January 15 Patty George January 16 Jan Peck

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

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

<u>\$\$\$\$\$ RAISE THE ROOF LOTTERY \$\$\$\$\$</u>

12/21 #739 no winner...#740 Darlene Newell \$10... #738 no winner 12/22 #001...#002 no winners...#000 David Decker \$10 12/23 #603...#604 no winners...#602 Greg Bires \$10 12/24 #038 Luke MacKenzie \$50... #039 Bob Haibach \$10... #037 no winner 12/25 #109 John Greiner \$50...#110 no winner... #108 Rose Zimmer \$10 12/26 #280...#281...#279 no winners 12/27 #474...#475...#473 no winners 12/28 #891...#892...#890 no winners 12/29 #075...#076...#074 no winners 12/30 #982...#983...#981 no winners 12/31 #280...#281...#279 no winners 01/01 #560 Vela Fulton \$50...#561...\$559 no winners 01/02 #734...#735...#733 no winners

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

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Just a reminder that classes will start today 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.

SCHOOL SUPPORT ENVELOPE

In your envelope packet is a goldenrod colored School Support envelope. The donations from this envelope will aid the parish to achieve our past due assessments toward supporting Blessed Sacrament parish pays approximately \$12,000 towards this past due amount and our current assessment.

Watch & Share Erie Catholic School

System's New Video

We are SO excited to share Erie Catholic's new video

- View at https://bit.ly/ECSSvideo
- · Watch our video, share with your family and friends #FaithInOurFuture
- A random winner will be selected during Catholic Schools Week and win a school swag item from Milagaro School Uniforms & Goods



SACRIFICIAL GIV	ING REPORT
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	Christmas	12/26/2021	1/2/2022
Adult Offering:	\$ 3,075.00	\$ 3,049.00	\$ 4,188.00
Loose:	\$ 1,672.00	\$ 583.99	\$ 552.00
Online:	\$ n/a	\$ n/a	\$ 3,252.00
Christmas:	\$ 5,001.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 388.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 5.00	\$ n/a	\$ n/a
Immaculate Conception	:\$ 23.00	\$ n/a	\$ n/a
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 45.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 669.00
Youth Offering:	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 51.00
Total:	\$ 9,831.00	\$ 4,233.99	\$ 9,100.00
All Souls	\$ 3.00	n/a	n/a
School Support:	\$ 25.00	60.00	423.00
Food Bank:	\$ 10.00	n/a	75.00
Religious Retirement:	\$ 115.00	n/a	25.00
Catholic Communicatio	ns:\$n/a	5.00	10.00

2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Pledged to Date: \$ 79,893.00 Paid To Date: \$ 75,729.00 \$ 71,158.00 Assessment: Unpaid Balance: \$ 4,164.00 TO OUR PARISHIONERS

School. Anything you can do to help is FACE MASKS are required in the School and/or Parish Ofappreciated. Currently each month the fices. All students, teachers and staff are required to wear them. There will be extra masks if you forget one! We are doing this due to the increase in the number of Covid cases and to keep everyone safe. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PARISH PRAYER LINE

If you, a family member or friend are in need of prayers, please call the prayer line with your request (814-860-6211). If no one answers, leave a message with your prayer request. First names only are used when the request is passed through the prayer chain.

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.



