



# SAINT PAUL PARISH

MAKING & STRENGTHENING CHRISTIANS



## Welcome to St. Paul Parish

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## Parish Clergy

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Jason Bertke  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Nicholas J. Schwartz  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Thomas Kathman  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Scott Folz

## PARISH SCHEDULE

### Monday, January 4

Mass 8:15AM: SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF THE PHI FAMILY  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
**CANCELLED:** Rosary 7PM—Chapel

### Tuesday, January 5

Mass 8:15AM: BERNIE LUNNEMAN  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
RCIA 1PM—PC 173

### Wednesday, January 6

Mass 8:15AM: ALL POUR SOULS  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
Religious Formation 7PM

### Thursday, January 7

Mass 8:15AM: SANDY DISKEN  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
**CANCELLED:** Young at Heart 5:30PM  
Holy Hour with Pastor 6PM—Church

### Friday, January 8

Mass 8:15AM: SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF MARY ANN RYAN  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church

### Saturday, January 9

Mass 8:15AM: BRIDGET AHREN KENNELLY  
**CANCELLED:** St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 9AM  
Confessions 3:30-4:30PM  
Mass 5PM: JENNIFER LYNN JIMENEZ

### Sunday, January 10

Mass 8AM: LEROY NOCHECK  
**CANCELLED:** Adult Choir Practice 9:15AM  
Mass 10AM: FERD METZGER  
Mass 12PM: FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

# January 3, 2021

## The Epiphany of the Lord

### Introductory Rites

During these initial ritual moments, the assembly becomes one in mind, heart, and voice in the worship of the Eternal Triune God.

### The Procession and Entrance Hymn

The ministers, Deacon and Priest enter the church. The assembly turns and watches with expectancy as the Word of God enters. When the Deacon and Priest reach the sanctuary, they make a profound reverence toward the tabernacle out of respect and reverence for the sacramental presence of the Lord contained therein. Then, they approach the altar of sacrifice and kiss it, for it is a symbol of Christ himself.

### Sign of the Cross

To make the sign of the cross, use your right hand and as the priest says "In the name of the Father," touch your fingertips to your forehead. Then as he says "and of the Son," touch your fingertips of your right hand to the middle of your chest near your heart. Lastly, as he says, "and of the Holy," touch your fingertips to your left shoulder and as he says "Spirit," to your right shoulder. In this manner, we mark ourselves with the sign of the cross upon which our Savior Jesus Christ saved us, we also become more consciously aware that we are in the presence of the Eternal Triune God.

### Greeting

The priest greets those assembled using a greeting which echoes the greetings used in Jewish prayer and in the Pauline letters.

### Penitential Act

To prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries of Jesus Christ and the salvation he gives us, we recall our sins and pray for God's forgiveness to be granted to each and all of us. At times, the litany "Lord have mercy" is prayed in the ancient Greek form "Kyrie, eleison," linking us to our ancestors in faith and reminding ourselves of the universality of God's mercy and of our faith.

### We Three Kings of Orient Are

(Please stand)



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are, Bear - ing  
 2. Born a babe on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold we  
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense  
 4. Myrrh is mine: its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a  
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him rise, King and



gifts we trav - erse a - far Field and foun - tain,  
 bring to crown him a - gain; King for - ev - er,  
 owns a De - i - ty nigh, Prayer and prais - ing  
 life of gath - 'ring gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing,  
 God and sac - ri - fice: Heav'n sings, "Hal - le -



Moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 Ceas - ing nev - er, O - ver us all to reign.  
 Glad - ly rais - ing, Wor - ship - ing God on high.  
 Bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone cold tomb.  
 lu - jah!" "Hal - le - lu - jah!" earth re - plies.



O star of won - der, star of night, Star with



roy - al beau - ty bright, West - ward lead - ing, still pro -



ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect Light.

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Text: Matthew 2:1-11; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, 88 44 6 with refrain; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And with your Spirit.**

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

... Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy) **Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy).**

Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy) **Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy).**

Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy) **Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy).**

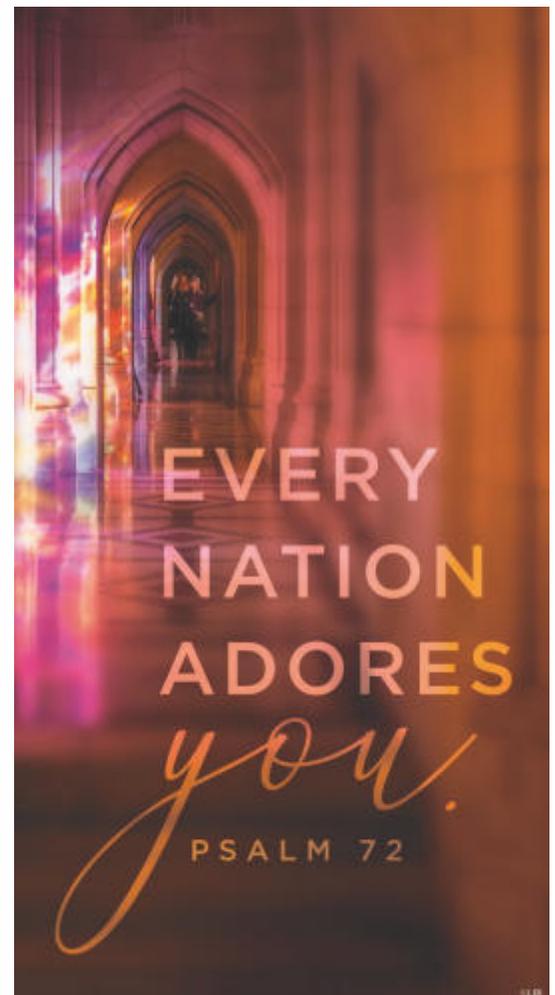
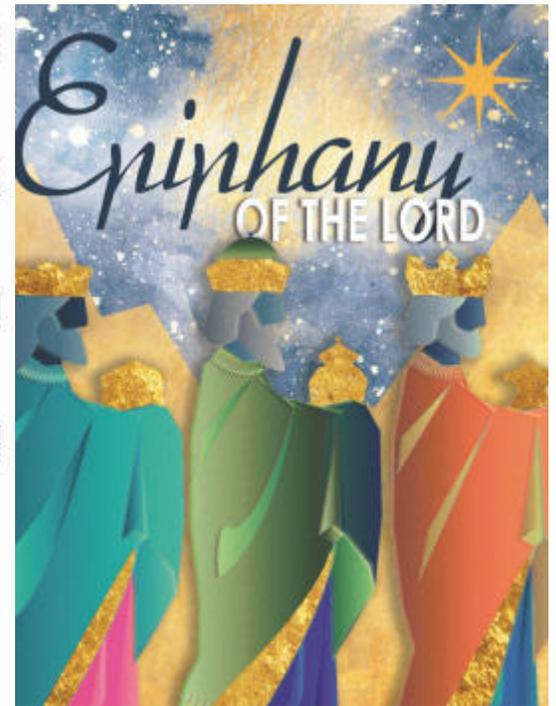
May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

# Gloria

when possible, intoned by celebrant alone • 16th century



Gló - ri - a in ex - celsis De - o. \* Et in ter - ra pax ho - mi - ni - bus  
bo - nae vo - lun - tá - tis. Lau - dá - mus te. Be - ne - di - ci  
mus te. A - do - rá - mus te. Glo - ri - fi - cá - mus te.  
Grá - ti - as á - gi - mus ti - bi pro - pter ma - gnam gló - ri - am tu - am.  
Dó - mi - ne De - us, Rex cae - lé - stis, De - us Pa - ter o -  
mní - po - tens. Dó - mi - ne Fi - li u - ni - gé - ni - te, Je - su -  
Chri - ste. Dó - mi - ne De - us, A - gnus De - i, Fi - li - us  
Pa - tris. Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di, mi - se  
re - re no - bis. Qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di,  
sús - ci - pe de - pre - ca - ti - ó - nem no - stram. Qui se  
des ad dex - te - ram Pa - tris, mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu  
so - lus san - ctus. Tu so - lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so - lus  
Al - tis - sí - mus, Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto  
Spí - ri - tu, in gló - ri - a De - i Pa - tris.  
A - - - men.



### Collect

The priest says "Let us pray" and a brief silence is observed so that all may become more conscious of being in God's presence and allowing each one time to call to mind the intentions each has brought to this holy liturgy. Then, the priest gathering, as it were, all the intentions, offers the collect of the day.

### Liturgy of the Word

This is the first of the two major parts of the Mass, Divine Liturgy or Eucharistic Liturgy. It is during this part of the celebration that the proclamation of the Word of God takes place. The readings for the Sunday Mass are structured in a three year cycle. Thus the vast majority of the entire Bible is proclaimed to the Sunday assembly every three years.

### First Reading

The first reading normally comes from the Old Testament and is thematically paired to the Gospel proclaimed on the same day.

### Responsorial Psalm

Having heard of God's deeds in the proclamation of the first reading, the assembly responds normally by singing one of the psalms.

### Second Reading

The second reading comes from one of the epistles. These readings are read in a semi-continuous way. This means that a few verses of a given epistle is proclaimed and then stopped. The next Sunday the proclamation continues where the previous Sunday left off.

Let us pray. O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

*Isaiah 60:1-6*

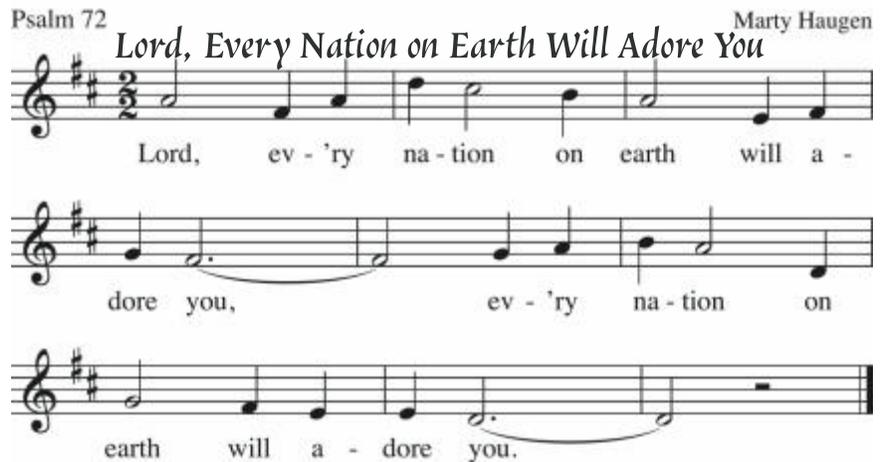
Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72 Marty Haugen

**Lord, Every Nation on Earth Will Adore You**



Lord, ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a -  
dore you, ev - 'ry na - tion on  
earth will a - dore you.

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A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

*Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6*

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan

## Alleluia



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### Gospel Acclamation

Through this acclamation, the assembly welcomes and greets the Lord who speaks to the assembly in the Gospel.

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

And with your spirit.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 2:1-12

### Gospel

The Gospel is announced. All take their thumb and trace the cross signing the forehead, mouth and heart, praying as they do so: "May the Word of the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart." This comes to us from a Jewish custom honoring the scriptures. A section of one of the Gospels is proclaimed and the assembly listens attentively to the voice of the Lord. Across the three year cycle of readings for Sunday Mass, Matthew, Mark or Luke's Gospel is highlighted. John is read in all three years.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Please be seated)



(Please stand)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven and (Bow) by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

....We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

### Homily

The Priest, or from time to time a Deacon, explains and expounds upon the mystery laid before the assembly this Sunday.

### Profession of Faith

The assembly responds to the Word of God proclaimed with the ancient profession of faith to honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith. Normally the Nicene Creed is prayed which expresses the mysteries and rule of faith and comes from the Ecumenical Council at Nicea in 325 AD and the First Ecumenical Council at Constantinople in 381 AD.

### The Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful or Bidding Prayers)

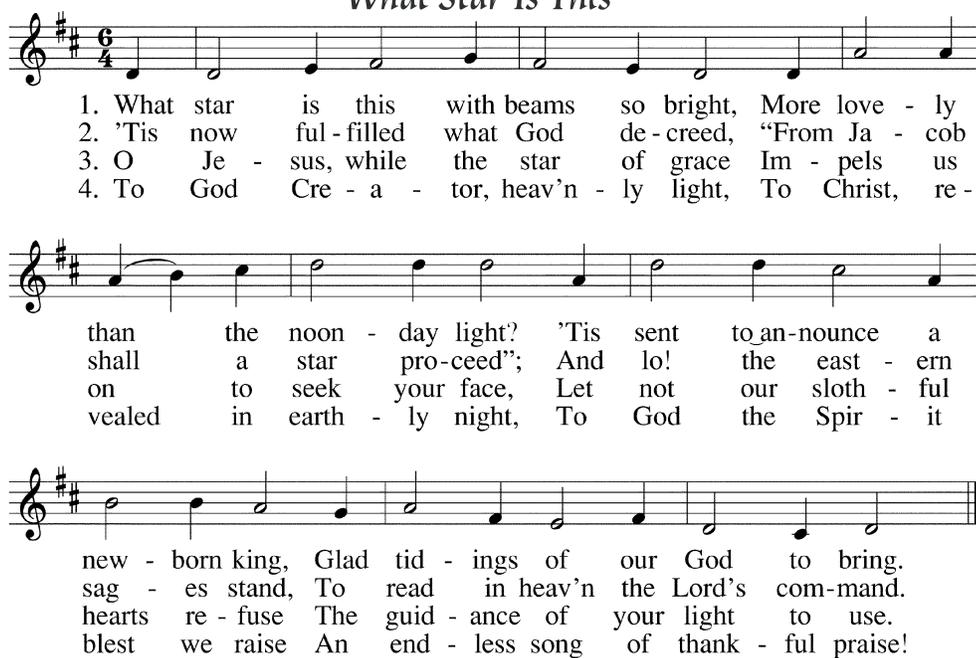
The faithful, exercising their baptismal priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation and benefit of all.

(Please be seated)

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

This is the second major part of the Mass. A collection is made for the support of the parish and its charitable works. This collection as well as the bread and wine to be offered are brought in procession to the altar. At the Last Supper, Christ instituted the Paschal Sacrifice and banquet, by which the Sacrifice of the Cross is continuously made present in the Church whenever the Priest, representing Christ the Lord, carries out what the Lord himself did and handed over to his disciples to be done in his memory. For Christ took the bread and the chalice, gave thanks, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat, this is my body and gave the chalice to his disciples saying: Take, drink, this is my blood. Do this in memory of me. Not a nostalgic remembrance but a dynamic living memorial in the power of God. Such, that, that which is remembered, becomes present to those who are celebrating the sacred mystery of salvation, who is Jesus Christ.

## What Star Is This



1. What star is this with beams so bright, More love - ly  
 2. 'Tis now ful - filled what God de - creed, "From Ja - cob  
 3. O Je - sus, while the star of grace Im - pels us  
 4. To God Cre - a - tor, heav'n - ly light, To Christ, re -  
 than the noon - day light? 'Tis sent to an - nounce a  
 shall a star pro - ceed"; And lo! the east - ern  
 on to seek your face, Let not our sloth - ful  
 vealed in earth - ly night, To God the Spir - it  
 new - born king, Glad tid - ings of our God to bring.  
 sag - es stand, To read in heav'n the Lord's com - mand.  
 hearts re - fuse The guid - ance of your light to use.  
 blest we raise An end - less song of thank - ful praise!

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Text: *Quem stella sole pulchrior*; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806-1876, alt.  
Tune: PUER NOBIS, LM; adapt. by Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

(Please stand)

Pray brethren (or other address of the assembly), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Look with favor, Lord, we pray, on these gifts of your Church, in which are offered now not gold or frankincense or myrrh, but he who by them is proclaimed, sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And with your spirit.**

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

**It is right and just.**

## The Prayer Over the Offerings

### The Eucharistic Prayer

Now the center and high point of the entire celebration begins, the Eucharistic Prayer, the prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification. The Priest offers the prayer in the name of the whole community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit.



## Sanctus

(11th) 12th century

San - - ctus, San - ctus, San - - ctus  
 Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - - -  
 - ba - oth. Ple - ni - sunt cae - li et - ter - ra -  
 gló - ri - a - tu - a. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél -  
 sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne  
 Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - - - na in ex -  
 - cél - - - sis.

(Please kneel)

## When We Eat This Bread

Mass of Renewal  
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When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -  
 claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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A - men, a - men, a - men.

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(Please stand)



## The Communion Rite

The faithful prepare themselves to receive the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. They do this using various prayers and by praying for the coming of the Kingdom in the words Jesus taught.

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: **Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

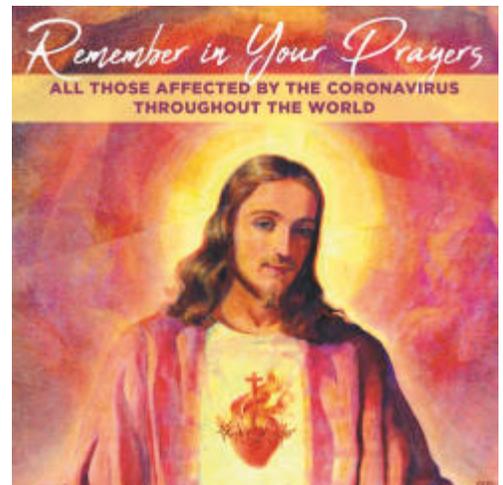
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

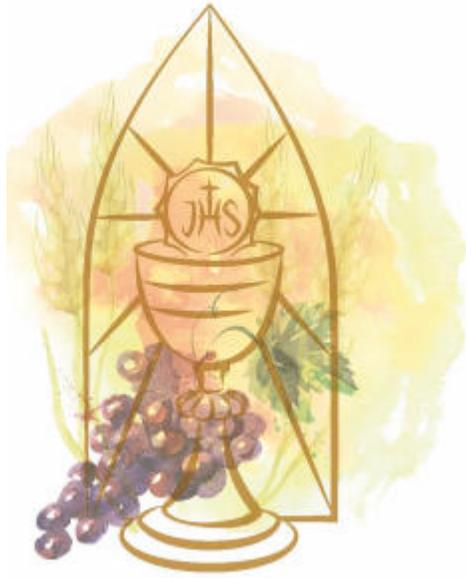
**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And with your spirit.**





## Agnus Dei

15th century

*rit.*  
 A - gnus. De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
*rit.*  
 mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
*rit.*  
 A - gnus. De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
*rit.*  
 mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
*rit.*  
 A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
*rit.*  
 mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

*(Please kneel)*

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." - Mt 2:1-2

## The First Nowell



1. The first Now - ell, the an - gel did say, Was to  
 2. They look - ed up and saw a star Shin-ing  
 3. And by the light of that same star Three  
 4. This star drew nigh to the north - west, O'er  
 5. Then en - tered in those wise men three, Full  
 6. Then let us all with one ac - cord Sing



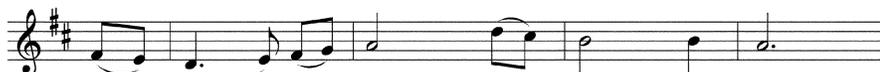
cer-tain poor shep-herds in fields as they lay; In  
 in the east, be - yond them far, And  
 wise men came from coun - try far; To  
 Beth - le - hem it took its rest; And  
 rev - 'rent - ly up - on their knee, And  
 prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord; Who



fields where they lay keep-ing their sheep, On a  
 to the earth it gave great light, And  
 seek for a king was their in - tent, And to  
 there it did both stop and stay, Right  
 of - fered there, in his pre - sence, Their  
 with the Fa - ther we a - dore And



cold win - ter's night that was so deep.  
 so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 fol - low the star where - ev - er it went.  
 o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.  
 Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.



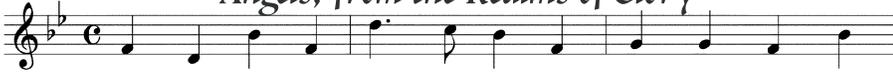
Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell, Now - ell,



Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

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 Tune: THE FIRST NOWELL, Irregular; English Melody; harm. by David Willcocks, b. 1919

## Angels, from the Realms of Glory



1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er  
 2. Shep - herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your  
 3. Sag - es, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, Bright - er vi - sions  
 4. Though an in - fant now we view him, He shall fill his



all the earth; You who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
 flocks by night, God on earth is now re - sid - ing,  
 beam a - far; Seek the great De - sire of na - tions,  
 heav'n - ly throne, Gath - er all the na - tions to him;



Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
 Yon - der shines the in - fant light: Come and wor - ship,  
 You have seen his morn - ing star:  
 Ev - 'ry knee shall then bow down:



come and wor - ship, Wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

## Reception of Holy Communion

Since the celebration of the Eucharist is the Paschal Banquet, it is desirable that in accordance with the Lord's command his Body and Blood should be received as spiritual food by those faithful who are properly disposed.



## PRE-BAPTISM MEETING

A Pre-Baptism Meeting is required for first child parents. They will be held individually via Zoom meeting at the convenience of the participants and the instructor. For more information and to schedule a meeting, please contact Linda Fryman at [lfryman@stpaulnky.org](mailto:lfryman@stpaulnky.org) or 859-371-8051.

## PROJECT RACHEL

Help after an abortion experience.  
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 Text: Sts. 1-3, James Montgomery, 1771-1854; st. 4, *Christmas Box*, 1825  
 Tune: REGENT SQUARE, 8 7 8 7 8 7; Henry Smart, 1813-1879

Post Communion Prayer

Concluding Rites

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel
Bishop Foys has mandated that we pray the Leonine prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the end of all Masses throughout the Diocese of Covington.
'It is apparent that the smoke of Satan has entered the sanctuary,' Bishop Foys said. 'This prayer which has been prayed since 1886 to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness seems exceptionally appropriate at this time in the life of our beloved Church.'



Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord, always and everywhere, that we may perceive with clear sight and revere with true affection the mystery in which you have willed us to participate. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord be with you. And with your Spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Go in peace glorifying God by your life. Thanks be to God.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen



1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, Let noth - ing you dis - may,
2. In Beth - le - hem in Ju - dah This bless - ed babe was born,
3. From God our great Cre - a - tor A bless - ed an - gel came,
4. The shep - herds at those tid - ings Re - joic - ed much in mind,
5. Now to the Lord sing prais - es, All you with - in this place,



For Je - sus Christ our Sav - ior Was born up - on this day,
And laid with - in a man - ger Up - on this bless - ed morn:
And un - to cer - tain shep - herds Brought tid - ings of the same,
And left their flocks a - feed - ing In tem - pest, storm, and wind,
And with true love and char - i - ty Each oth - er now em - brace;



To save us all from Sa - tan's power When we were gone a - stray.
For which his moth - er Mar - y Did noth - ing take in scorn.
How that in Beth - le - hem was born The Son of God by name.
And went to Beth - le - hem straight - way, The bless - ed babe to find.
This ho - ly tide of Christ - mas All oth - ers shall re - place.



O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and



joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy!

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Text: English carol, 18th C.
Tune: GOD REST YOU MERRY, 8 6 8 6 8 6 with refrain; English 18th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840-1901

LECTOR SCHEDULE

JANUARY 9 & 10

5PM - Steve G.

8AM - Jeff S.

10AM - Tom B.

Noon - Patty J.



MASS STIPENDS: To pray for and, especially, remember deceased relatives and friends, you can schedule a Mass Intention. For any living person or special intention, you can also have a Mass read. Contact the Parish Office. The standard stipend is \$10.



**ATTENTION ST. PAUL FAMILIES!**

The annual Blue & Gold Bash fundraiser will be virtual in Spring 2021. More details will be announced soon, but the plan is to hold an online auction and raffle.

We are currently seeking donations that could be used for the online auction and raffles. Examples include: gift cards/certificates, food coupons, sporting equipment, home accessories, and gift baskets. We can also use larger items such as jewelry, vacation packages, group dinner parties, etc.

All of the proceeds from this virtual event go directly to the St. Paul Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Through your donations and funds raised, our PTO has been able to upgrade student textbooks, purchase SMART boards for classrooms, fund the Art and Spanish programs, fund the STAR Reading and Math assessment programs, provide scholarships and many other school needs.

If you are able to donate, please contact Andrea Kramer by email [andrea.kramer29@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.kramer29@gmail.com) or text at 859-816-9920.

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- Click on "St. Paul School 41042" and then click on "Enroll."
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COLLECTION	ENV	AMOUNT
Regular Collection	144	9,848.00
Loose		94.25
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St. Vincent de Paul	12	1,370.00
Adopt A Student	5	470.00
Immaculate Conception (Add'l)	2	32.50
Christmas Flowers	9	107.50
St. Paul School	2	40.00
Christmas	1	100.00
Opportunities for Life	1	10.00
DPAA 2020 Pledged (As of Nov. 30)		\$109,866.72
DPAA 2020 Collected (As of Nov. 30)		\$93,577.80
DPAA 2020 Rebate (As of Dec. 19)		\$9,977.80

**ENVELOPES**

If you are using WeShare for the Sunday collection and would like to stop receiving envelopes, please contact Linda Fryman at 859-371-8051 or [lfryman@stpaulnky.org](mailto:lfryman@stpaulnky.org).

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If you or someone you know is curious about becoming Catholic, St. Paul Parish would like to invite you to come explore your questions. Deacon Nick Schwartz is available to meet with you to discuss and answer any questions you might have about what Catholics are all about. It's very informal, and there is no obligation. You can contact Deacon Nick by emailing him at [nschwartz@stpaulnky.org](mailto:nschwartz@stpaulnky.org) or calling him at (859) 371-8051 ext. 240.



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Our conference has been blessed by wonderful parishioners who provide us with food and monetary donations throughout the year. We also have several parishioners who donate to our conference on a monthly basis and we want to thank everyone for your generosity. Without your support, we are not able to provide the assistance that is needed so much in the Florence area. On Sunday, January 3, the 8:00 AM Mass is being offered for our benefactors. It is our humble way of saying thank you for your continued support. God Bless



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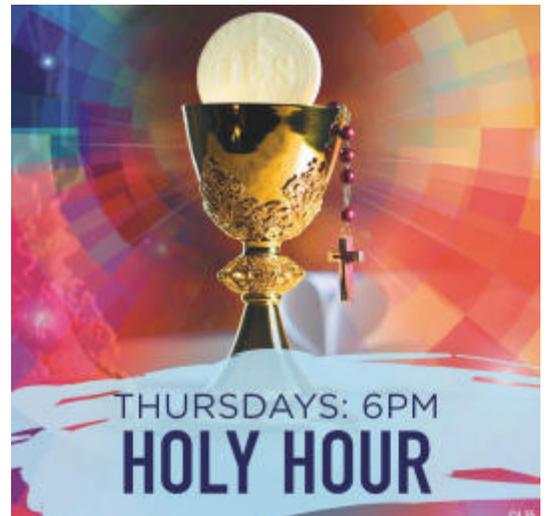
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St. Paul is looking for volunteers for altar linens. Call the Parish Office at 859-371-8051 for more information and if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your interest.



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### 3 WAYS TO JOIN



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