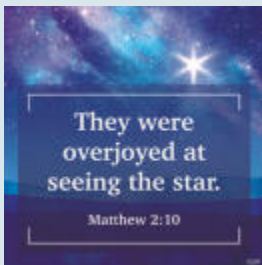


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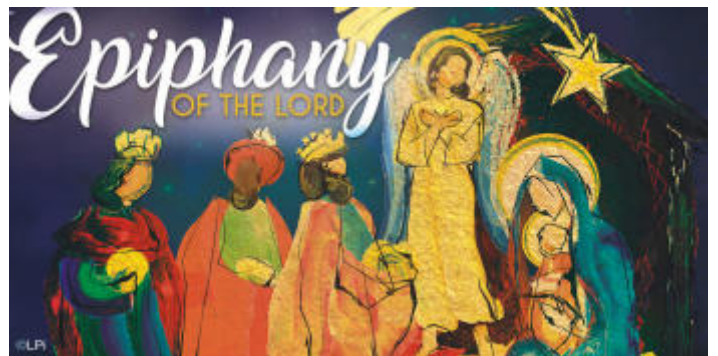


Happy New Year, with the hopes and prayers for a better and healthy world situation, free of the pandemic and of the fear and panic of what may come upon us in the year ahead. Christians live in hope. The call from the world can be one

that is open to fear overcoming us despite the promise of God's providence.

As we move forward, we make plans for the future that reflects trust in God and continuing in faith growth through our programs and events upcoming. There will be another **Bingo Night** provided by the Knights of Columbus and I will inform you of the date when it is decided soon. We are planning **Fish Fries** during Lent starting March 4. Whether this will be take-out only, or with in-hall dining, depends on the level of safety decided by health officials. The **Reboot Renewal Evening**, with Chris Stefanick to be held at the new St. Joseph church outside Dexter on Wednesday, March 9, will encourage us in our Lenten observance. Tickets for this event are available in the Office.

I ask you to pray for those who have yet to return to Mass since the outbreak of the pandemic.



## IN OUR PRAYERS



Mike Adam  
Judy Dehring  
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Mary Ellen Mynning  
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and all those who are suffering from chronic illness, depression, and those in despair.

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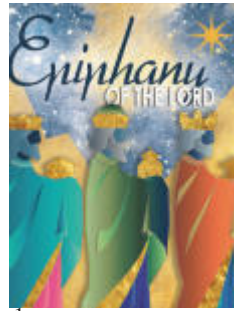
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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & Faith Formation

The Mystery of the Epiphany: The Wise Men from the East...embody...the men and women who in every age set out on the way which leads to the Child of Bethlehem, to offer him homage as the Son of God and to bow down before him...These men who set out towards the unknown were...men with a restless heart. Men driven by a restless quest for God and the salvation of the world...Human beings have an innate restlessness for God, but this restlessness is a participation in God's own restlessness for us...The Wise men from the East ...were also, and above all, men of courage, the courage and humility born of faith. Courage was needed to grasp the meaning of the star as a sign to set out, to go forth – toward the unknown, the uncertain, on paths filled with hidden dangers. We can imagine that their decision was met with derision: the scorn of those realists who could only mock the reveries of such men. Anyone who took off on the basis of such uncertain promises, risking everything, could only appear ridiculous. But for these men, inwardly seized by God, the way which he pointed out was more important than what other people thought. For them seeking the truth meant more than the taunts of the world, so apparently clever... The Wise Men followed the star, and thus came to Jesus, to the great Light which enlightens everyone coming into this world. As pilgrims of faith, the Wise Men themselves became stars shining in the firmament of history, and they show us the way. (Pope Benedict XVI)

**FAITH IN FLINT** On Monday, November 22, 2021, just 3 days before Thanksgiving a house explosion rocked the Flint area. Two people were killed, others were injured, and 27 houses were damaged or destroyed. Many have stepped up to help those in need. 80 Christmas boxes from our catechism families were handed out from Children on the East side. A parishioner donated 36 Christmas turkeys. Another parishioner arranged for us to receive 4 new Carrier furnaces and 3 central ACs for the Flint houses. Others donated money to help pay utilities for our families who have gotten behind. St. Mary continues to donate good quality used furniture and appliances that are much needed. Vehicles and mattresses are still in great need! Thank you for all the prayers and contributions that allow St. Mary Mission to serve the very poor. Deacon Mike feels honored to represent St. Mary Chelsea in Flint. *"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."*

## LITURGY CORNER



### Lord, I've heard that Camels Stink and Spit

So, Lord, what did your two-year-old eyes and ears take in when the camels showed up in your front yard, bellowing and grunting and kneeling? How did they smell? Did they spit at you or your friends? Then, the three men with fancy livery and magnificent robes, who appear to be really smart, actually ask to come in and see you! Your mom and dad: were they flustered, or did they take this whole event in stride? Were you frightened – did you start sucking your thumb – or did you smile and act adorable – after all, they said that they came to adore and honor you, but what did that mean to a two-year-old? And then there were the gifts!

Gold! Did you get to play with the coins? Were they shiny? Did they stack? Whose face was on them? Caesar's? Did you care? Upon seeing these toys, did your mom and dad seem a bit less anxious?

Frankincense! What did your mom and dad think as the three men lit the stuff, and the house got all smokey, and it smelled like the temple on the high holy days – the place where God lived... This small house is where you lived, and now it too was smokey and smelling divine...

Myrrh! It cost a fortune. What happened inside you when your mom and dad held it and looked into each other's eyes?

And in the night, your dad awakened, went quickly to the house of his best friend and gave the carpentry business to him while your mom packed up in a hurry. Did they tell you that you were going on an adventure? After all, they put you on the donkey and off you three went into that night. Did you know, as they knew, that you were now homeless and running from danger, not knowing how you would be greeted in your country of refuge...

So, this was your Epiphany – your being revealed to the world, marked by honor, gifts and flight from death. Lord, have mercy on us!



## WEEKLY READINGS

### Sunday: Epiphany

Is. 60:1-6 | Ps. 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 | Eph. 3:2-3, 5-6 | Mt. 2:1-12

### Monday:

1 Jn. 3:22-4:6 | Ps. 2:7-8, 10-12 | Mt. 4:12-17, 23-25

### Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn. 4:7-10 | Ps. 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 | Mk. 6:34-44

### Wednesday: St. John Neumann

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 & 15, 17 | Lk. 4:14-22

### 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, 5-6, 9 | Jn. 3:22-30

### Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Is. 40:1-5, 9-11 | Ps. 104:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 | Ti. 2:11-14; 3:4-7 | Lk. 3:15-16, 21-22



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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, January 1

9:00am—Prayers to End Abortion  
By The RLC

4:30pm—Helen Steele  
By The Parker Family

### Sunday, January 2

8:00am—For Our Parish  
10:00am—Carol Surago  
By Patrice Marner

### Monday, January 3

9:00am—Shirley Gaken  
By Annette Gaken Houle

### Tuesday, January 4

9:00am—NO MASS

### Wednesday, January 5

9:00am—NO MASS

### Thursday, January 6

9:00am—NO MASS

### Friday, January 7

9:00am—First Anniversary  
Alex Roskowski  
By Our Parish

### Saturday, January 8

4:30pm—Cliff Tracy  
By Brenda Foster

### Sunday, January 9

8:00am—For Our Parish  
10:00am—Larry Kranick  
By Irene Kranick and Family



## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

### Monday, January 3

6:00pm Novena For Life

### Tuesday, January 4

7:00pm RCIA

### Wednesday, January 5

7:00pm Choir Practice

### Thursday, January 6

24 Hour Adoration  
6:30pm Rosary  
7:00pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group

### Friday, January 7

### Saturday, January 8

No Confessions

### Sunday, January 9

No Coffee and Donuts  
9:50-11:00am Primary Rel. Ed.  
10:00am Children's Liturgy  
11:15am Middle School Meeting  
with parents  
4:00pm Elementary Rel. Ed.  
6:00pm Youth Group

STEWARDSHIP

The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

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St. Mary Parish offers their sympathy and prayers to the family of Deacon Richard Shaneyfelt, who passed away on December 10, 2021. Deacon Dick is survived by his children, Christine and Beth Ann. Step-children, Colette, Brian, Dana, Van, as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A funeral Mass was held on December 17, 2021 at St. Mary Church, officiated by Bishop Earl Boyea. Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

**St. Mary Rosary Program**  
 Rosaries prayed this week— 385  
 Total to Date—140,766

Please pray the rosary –How can we say “no” to our Blessed Mother. Please remember to fill out the tally sheets found in the basket in the Gathering Space. This program will continue indefinitely.

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