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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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. - Mt 2:10-11

Sowers of the Seed

Rise Up, Detroit! David Nantais



The word "Epiphany" means to make manifest. In the context of today's celebration, it means to make Christ manifest in the world. The first reading from Isaiah begins with a bold and beautiful mandate, "Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!" God's glory shines on Jerusalem and that light, that brilliant manifestation of God, leads others on a path to do what is right.

What if we were to remove "Jerusalem" and replace it with "Detroit," how would this change how we perceive our city? How could we more fully manifest Christ in our city and offer an epiphany to our neighbors, our state, our country? What would need to change in our city for it to become radiant and shine for all peoples to see? While we observe development projects and neighborhood improvement initiatives, we still struggle with poverty, homelessness, and racism. These challenges will not just disappear, nor can they be overcome with shiny new buildings or beautiful green spaces. It is up to all of us to make changes in our lives that positively impact our community in deep, meaningful ways.

Christ is at work in Detroit, but we all need to labor to make that presence manifest more broadly. Look at your community and ask, "What can I do to make Christ more manifest here?" Once you have a goal in mind, take small steps toward it in this new year. If we all do this, others will also observe God's work in action, and our city will reflect the glorious light of God upon the world.

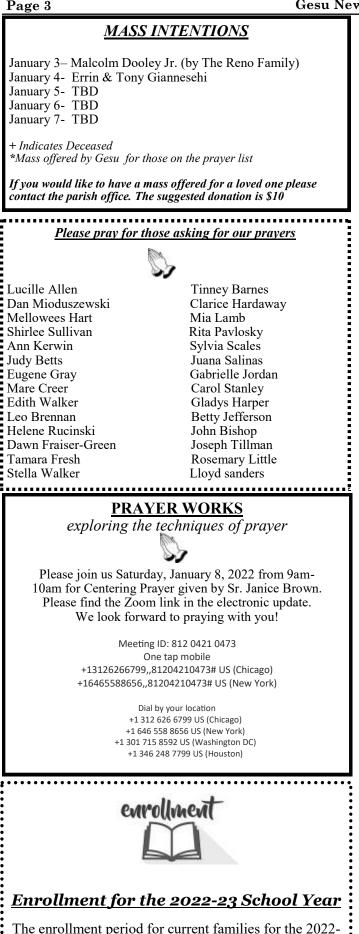
The mission of Sowers of the Seed is to deepen parishioners' relationship with God, the Word and the parish community. We would love to hear if you have read this SOS article and if it touched your spirit in any way. Please reply by text, if possible, to 248-225-0564. God bless.

Gesu's Recipes of Love Where is Christ in Your Life? **Spinach Dip** If you are interested in sharing a written personal testimony about where Christ is in your life with the 1tsp. Sugar 2 sm. Bunches of spinach 1 cup sour cream French or Italian Bread Gesu community please send an email to: Butter or margarine 1/2 cup mayonnaise communications@gesudetroit.org. Dash of onion and garlic powder Wash spinach. Sprinkle with sugar, onion powder and garlic powder and toss gently. In food processor, add spinach, sour cream and may-Set your mind on things above, not on things on the onnaise. Blend until smooth. If dip is too thin, add more spinach. With earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with processor open, move mixture around, stirring sour cream and mayon-Christ in God. When Christ *who is* our life appears, naise evenly into added spinach. Eat right away or chill. Lightly toast then you also will appear with Him in glory. bread. Spread lightly with butter or margarine. Cube bread into bite-(Colossians 3:2-4) size pieces and serve. Refrigerate left overs. Linda Anderson Rosary Call Save Date The Beloved Community's MLK event will take place via zoom on Tuesday, January 18th from 7:00pm until 8:30pm. This year's theme will be "Environmental Justice" Join us for the Rosary for World Peace and the End of co-sponsored by Gesu's Green Team. More the Coronavirus, every Wednesday night at 6 PM. Dial information forthcoming... in: (605) 472-5709. Access code: 961160 **Bulletin Deadlines:**

So we can best serve all parishioners and ensure we meet publication deadlines, articles for the bulletin and Gesu Electronic Updates must be submitted at least 14 days prior to the publication date. Mass announcements should be received 7 days in advance. Request for mass announcements, electronic updates and the bulletin should be submitted via email and sent to <u>communications@gesudetroit.org</u>

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23 school year will begin on Friday, January 21, 2022.

Gesu Church MISSION STATEMENT

"We worship joyfully and serve humbly as the Spirit leads us."

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Office Hours Monday through Thursday: 9am - 4pm Closed Friday

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday Mass: Weekends:

Secular Holidays:

Holy Days:

Monday through Friday, 5:30 pm Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am Mass at 9:30 am Mass at 5:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday's 4:00-4:45 pm in the church Or by appointment with one of the priests.

Emergency After Hour Number for Priest call 313-915-0068.

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