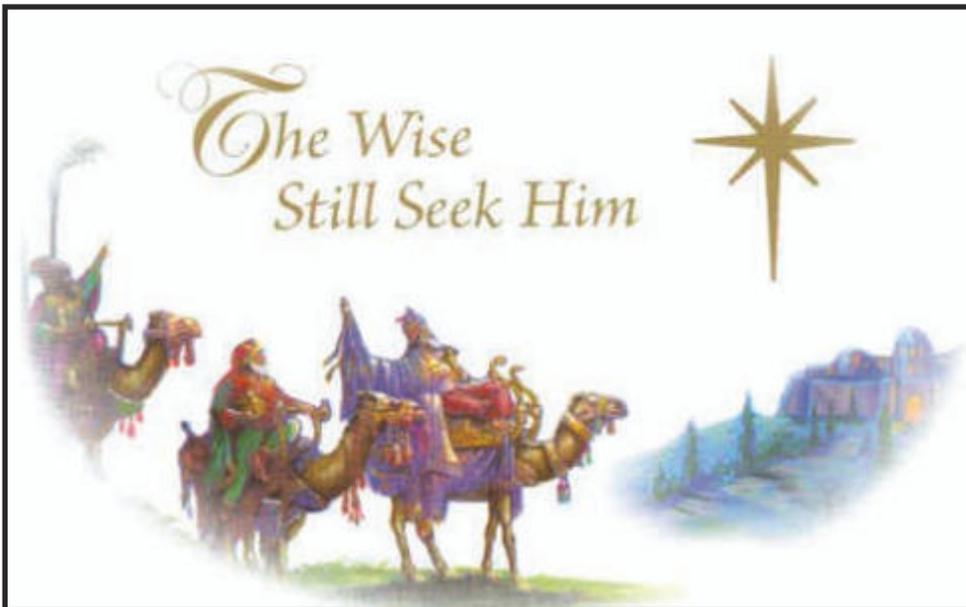


St. Patrick Parish

January 3, 2021
Feast of the Epiphany



Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord



Pastoral Notes

As we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany this weekend, our Gospel reminds us that Jesus, Emmanuel (God with Us) the Son of God, was introduced and revealed to the world, through the visible sign of a special star, to be the Redeemer of all of the people of the world for all time. If you look at the Infancy Narrative as presented by St. Matthew, there is no detail that gives names to the “Three Wise-men”. It merely states that three gifts were offered. It doesn’t say three men. It only says that the three gifts offered were gold, myrrh and frankincense.

As we are now in the first week of the New Year of 2021, we realize that no one of us is expected by the Lord to offer gold, frankincense or myrrh to the Lord. However, we are expected to offer

expressions of Christian Stewardship by giving our own time, talent and financial support for the Church through our St. Patrick Parish. God will not be overdone in generosity! Of that, we can be sure! We can ask ourselves: “...What return shall I offer to the Lord, who, in His great goodness has done so much for me?”

The foundational message of the Feast of the Epiphany—“Jesus came into the world,” as Pope Benedict XVI reminded us, “to show us the face of God”! ...For Jesus is the fullest human expression of God Himself!

A New Year’s Resolution

Perhaps, as we are beginning this New Year of 2021, we might

consider what our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has been speaking about recently. He is asking that all of us join with him in prayer to pray to the Lord, the Prince of Peace, that those of us who are “in the household of the faith” re-commit ourselves to live the Gospel of Peace each day and find a way to express that in our daily life in our relationship with one another. How about that suggestion as a New Year’s resolution? May we all continue to follow the Star—the Light of Christ until we too, by the grace of God, will be living the fullness of our Heavenly Father’s Kingdom— “in His perfect light”.

What about the Star?

In your prayers this week, perhaps the Lord will point out to you a God-directed star in your own life that will lead you closer to Him. Maybe this will be the year you will discover God’s presence in a new light—in a new way—along a journey of faith that you never would have expected. Stay focused and keep your eyes of faith looking at that star in your conversations with the Lord each day. It is up to each one of us, in our personal life as a disciple of the Lord, to follow our personal star of hope, faith and love as God continues to lead us—guiding us to one day know “that perfect light”. A blessed “little Christmas” to all”!

Fr. John Peter’s Birthday—This Friday

This week, on January 8th, Fr. John Peter, by the grace of God, will celebrate his 48th birthday.

May the Lord continue to bless you, Fr. John Peter, with many more years of

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faithful priestly ministry among us. Thank you for all that you continue to do for all of us here at St. Patrick Parish. Happy Birthday! Fr. John Peter—may you have many more. God Bless!

Cards and best wishes can be sent to:
Fr. John Peter Arul
St. Mary Parish
1955 E. Commerce Rd.
Milford, MI 48381

Peace and Joy in the Lord Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom



A Prayer for the New Year

Lord, whether we're leaving behind a year of joy and blessing or trials and difficulties, we pause to give thanks.

We thank You that You are always with us every single day of every single year.

Please remind us

Of Your presence in the year ahead, even when life is busy.

We are so thankful that we serve a

God who makes things new and gives us the grace of fresh starts and new beginnings.

Be glorified in our lives this year.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord

“Where is that thing?” mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. “I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!” Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, “Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear.” The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

“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.” The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God’s tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God’s salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God’s healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!

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God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

Number of Households Requesting Envelopes	2920
Number of Registered Households	3075

WEEK OF 12/20/20	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$8,921.50		
ONLINE GIVING	\$9,340.50		
TOTAL	\$18,262.00	\$18,692.31	(\$430.31)
YEAR TO DATE	\$414,402.51	\$467,307.75	(\$52,905.24)

TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE GIVING, VISIT WWW.STPWL.ORG

Please use blue or black ink when writing checks! Thank You!



This Week's Readings

Monday, January 4

1 Jn 3:22; 4:6

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 5

1 Jn 4:7-10

Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 6

1 Jn 4:11-18

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January 7

1 Jn 4:19; 5:4

Lk 4:14-22

Friday, January 8

1 Jn 5:5-13

Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, January 9

1 Jn 5:14-21

Jn 3:22-30

Sunday, January 10

Baptism of the Lord

Is 55:1-11

1 Jn 5:1-9

Mk 1:7-11

ELECTRONIC GIVING

To make your Sunday contribution electronically:

If your bank offers free bill pay, we suggest you use that service **OR** go to our website at OLLonline.org and click on "Parish: then :Online Giving". Either method allows you to choose the frequency : one-time, weekly, monthly, or annually. If you are contributing electronically and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know. Call Bridgett at 248-698-3100 ext. 228, or bgriffith@stpwl.org

PARISH UPDATE

Have you moved...dropped your landline? Do we have your email?

Please notify the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228



Pray for our Recently Deceased

Ruth Darga
December 15, 2020

Joe Clancy
October 25, 2020

Parish Office Update:
Covid Protocol

In an effort to keep both parishioners/visitors and our parish staff healthy and safe, the Parish Office is instituting new protocol for visiting the parish. When visiting the office, please follow the guidelines below:



Please ring the buzzer (to the right of the main doors) upon arrival - to best serve you, you will be asked the reason for your visit and will then get the direction of entering, etc.



If you are dropping off an item or picking up an item, we have two tables inside the entrance area, one for pick-up and one for drop-off. Your item should be on that table.



Please wear a mask when entering the building.



If your visit requires entry into the Parish Offices, please sign the Health Assessment form (located on the drop-off table) and use the hand sanitizer.

We certainly encourage our parishioners to participate in Mass and Parish activity, but we are trying to limit the visitors to the office. If your business can be done on the phone, please by all means...give us a call - 248-698-3100. We thank you for your understanding during these most unusual times!

CSA 2020

Ready to make a contribution and no reply card? Just send in your contribution or pledge to the parish office, made out to Archdiocese of Detroit-CSA, and we will forward it for you. If you want to contribute with a credit card, please call the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228 and we will give you instructions on how that can be done.

REMINDER!

Please make out your
CSA check to:
Archdiocese of Detroit/CSA



THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT WILSON'S PUB 'N GRILL

YOU'RE INVITED

**ST. PATRICK MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Join us for fun and
fellowship while
becoming a more
devoted disciple of
Christ.

Pre-Marriage

Sponsor Couples Needed

This is a wonderful way to enrich your own marriage while sharing our faith in the ministry of preparing others for the Sacrament of Marriage. Sponsor couples are facilitators for those preparing to be married in the Church. If you are feeling called to be part of this ministry, please contact Karen Schmitt-kschmitt@stpwl.org, or 248-698-4388.

We ask that those interested be married no less than 5 years.

Sacristans Needed

Before Mass, Sacristans set out the correct amount of bread and wine along with the appropriate liturgical vessels. Sacristans prepare everything in a timely way for the ministers and the assembly who will worship together at Mass. It is easy to do and training is provided. We particularly need Sacristans at the 12:00 Mass. Please call Ann at 248-698-3100 x 222 if you are interested in serving your parish in this very important way.

**Additional Christmas Flower Offerings
In Memory of...**

Leroy Newton
Harold & Agnes Christiansen
Dennis & Lenore Riehle
Karl & Lucy Rupp
Giles & Cecilia Gage
Lorraine Clark
Raymond J. Borg
Rita Lynn
The Buechel Family

The Caswell Family
Judie Nagy



WORSHIP
248-698-3100 x 222

Ann Rogers arogers@stpwl.org



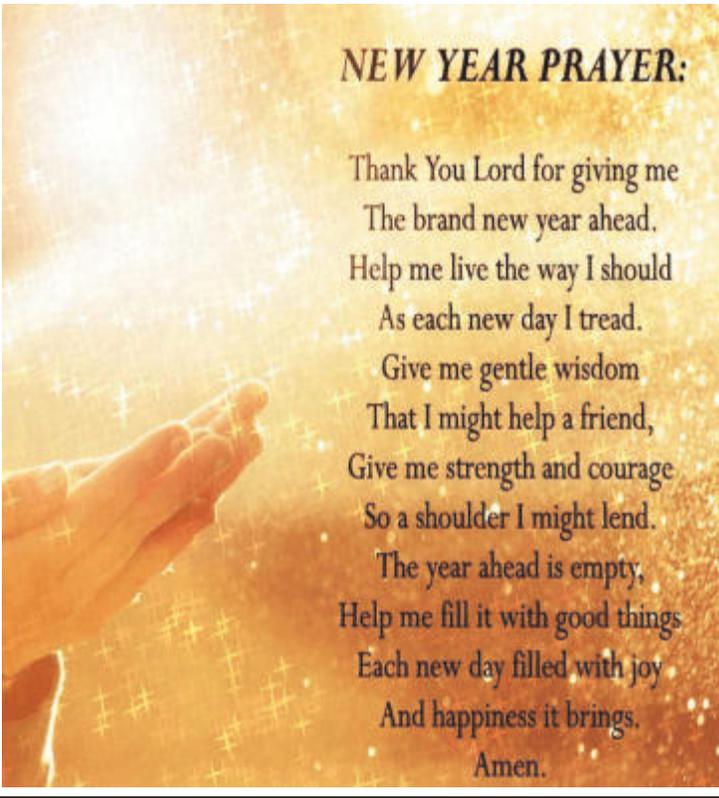
THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

This feast commemorates the visit of the wise men to worship the baby Jesus. Tradition tells us that their names were Caspar, Melchior and Balthassar. The men were astrologers who were looking for the star that would lead them to the promised Messiah. This was prophesied in the Book of Micah. According to the Gospel narratives, the wise men brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh with them. These gifts were very meaningful. Gold was a precious and expensive gift, and showed how important Jesus was.

Frankincense is a sweet perfume which was often burned in the temple to worship God. It was a sign that Jesus should be worshipped. Myrrh was used to keep things fresh, and it was used by the women to anoint Jesus' body when he died. By bringing it as a gift to Jesus, the wise men foretold his suffering and death.

NEW YEAR PRAYER:

Thank You Lord for giving me
The brand new year ahead.
Help me live the way I should
As each new day I tread.
Give me gentle wisdom
That I might help a friend,
Give me strength and courage
So a shoulder I might lend.
The year ahead is empty,
Help me fill it with good things
Each new day filled with joy
And happiness it brings.
Amen.





52 SUNDAYS

**January 3, 2021:****The Epiphany of the Lord**

IS 60:1-6; PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 ; EPH 3:2-2-3A, 5-6

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 will 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.

MEET OUR EXTENDED FAMILY**St. Philomena (Feast Day August 11)
January 10, 291-August 10, 304**

It is said that St. Philomena revealed her story to three people who did not know one another and who resided in different parts of the world. These private revelations unveiled the story of St. Philomena's life in great detail and were amazingly identical accounts. One of the revelations came to Sister Maria Luisa di Gesu. St. Philomena came to her and told her she was the daughter of a Greek king who converted to Christianity.



When Philomena was 13 years old, she took a vow of consecrated virginity. After her father took his family to Rome to make peace, Emperor Diocletian fell in love with Philomena. When she refused to marry him, she was repeatedly subjected to torture. Yet, in the midst of this torture, God continued to miraculously comfort her and heal her. This infuriated the Emperor who finally had her beheaded.

St. Philomena said to Sister Maria Luisa di Gesu, "My soul took flight towards my heavenly Spouse, who placed me, with the crown of virginity and the palm of martyrdom, in a distinguished place among the elect. That day was so happy for me..."

The young virgin willingly traded her earthly life for heavenly salvation and continues her work today promoting the virtues of purity and sanctity among the world's youth and bringing the faithful closer to our Blessed Mother and Jesus Christ. Her name means "daughter of light" (Latin: *fila luminis*), and she is credited with countless miracles and intercessions since discovery of her tomb in the most ancient catacombs of St. Priscilla in Rome in 1802.

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- * **What do you think it would be like to encounter the baby Jesus?**
- * **To prostrate oneself is to lay flat on the ground, face down in reverence. Why was it appropriate and fitting for the Magi to worship Jesus in this way?**
- * **St. Philomena was committed to living a holy life. What are some of the challenges of living a holy life today?**

The Epiphany of the Lord

House Blessing

This ceremony of the blessing of the home and the inscription of the initials of the three Magi above each door can be performed by the head of the family or another designated family member. Have some chalk on hand in preparation for the prayer.

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Leader: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial. The star burned like a flame, pointing the way to God, the King of kings. The wise men saw the sign and brought their gifts in homage to their great King. Lord, bless this chalk, and let it be a help to our family. Let us use it with faith in your most holy name, and with it inscribe on the doors of their homes the names of your saints, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, may through their merits and intercession enjoy health in body and protection of soul; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

After the prayers of the blessing are recited, inscribe the initials of the Magi upon the main entrance of your home as indicated below:

20 + C + M + B + 21

The initials C, M, B, can also be interpreted as the Latin phrase - Christus mansionem benedicat - which means "Christ bless this house." The plus signs represent the cross, and the numbers in the beginning and end mark the year.

Leader: Let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us. Our Father....

All: Amen



First Communion & Reconciliation Prep Families...

REMINDER: The next Mass for the children who are preparing to receive their First Communion & Reconciliation is NEXT SATURDAY, JANUARY 9TH AT 5PM.

The topic for January is "Offering Gifts" and we encourage children to bring non-perishable food to "offer" to those less fortunate.



Fun Fact:

The gifts of the Magi symbolize the areas of Jesus' life: his kingship (gold), that he is God (frankincense), and his death (myrrh).

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome "Back" to our Religious Education Families!

We hope everyone had a relaxing, enjoyable Christmas break! We are back at it....at home, once again!

The next set of Gospel Weeklies will be available at the Parish office this week. Please stop by and pick up during business hours, or contact the Religious Ed Office to make arrangements - 248-698-4388. Thank you!

Middle School Faith and Fun Nights!



Our sessions resume in January with New Year's celebrations! We will be welcoming in a new year to grow in holiness as we explore how to be disciples in 2021!

The **ONLINE** group will gather on Monday, January 4th 6th grade meets at 6:30pm and 7th/8th grades meet at 7:45pm. Check your email box for the reminder and link.

The **in-person** group will resume on Monday, January 11th, 7:00-8:30pm. Be prepared to tell who you shared your extra Miraculous Medal and any graves you received by having one of your own.



Questions? Want to Join the Fun?
Contact Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

Help us raise \$3,500 to feed 10,000 people

On Saturday, January 30, 2021, families from St. Patrick Parish will gather to pack 10,000 meals! **BUT, we first need to raise \$3,500**

This is a service project for middle school and high school students and their parents. Save the date – MANY volunteers will be needed!

Kids Coalition Against Hunger is a 501 c 3 humanitarian food relief organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and feed starving children throughout the world.

WE WELCOME YOUR DONATION TO HELP THIS CAUSE

- Mail a check or money order to:
Kids Coalition Against Hunger
P.O. Box 930794
Wixom, MI 48393
ATTN: St. Patrick's January 30 White Lake

Your donation is fully tax deductible



Confirmation 2021



We are getting ready to begin the process of preparing high school teens again in January with a May celebration. Please contact Julie Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org for more information on how to become registered for the Winter/Spring Track 2021 or visit the Parish Website.

Our calendars for the winter online and in-person sessions are now available. Register now and if you have not already done so, participate in session #1 (available on the Parish Website.) Session #2 is January 10th.

All teens preparing through the online process beginning in January need to stop by the Social Hall after Mass on **January 2nd or 3rd** to pick up the book needed for the sessions. All the materials needed for the preparation journey will be in a bag with your name on it.

Teens...Stay In touch using one of our Social Media Platforms!



 **Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010 For ALL things SpTeens!**

 **Instagram: @spteenswhitelake**

 **Facebook: SpTeens White Lake**

 **Twitter: spteenswhitelake**

 **Snapchat: sptateens**



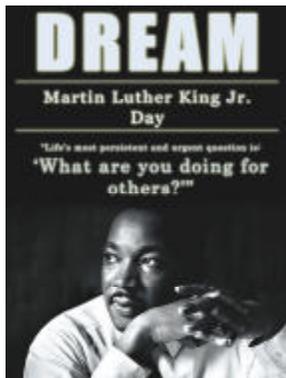
Please stay spiritually fed!

NEW YEAR....FULL OF NEW OPPORTUNITIES!

Works of Mercy for Confirmation Candidates and anyone looking to “Unleash the Gospel”

Martin Luther King Service Day January 16th, 2021 10:00am—2:00pm

Youth Ministries from across the Archdiocese of Detroit will be honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by witnessing to the power of God’s Mercy. This event will mobilize hundreds of young people to serve in their communities! We will have opportunities to serve at the church or from your home on this day. The world hungers for an experience of God’s Mercy like never before! Are you in?



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Kid’s Coalition Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event

Saturday, January 30th 10:00am-noon

We are looking for 60 or 70 volunteers to help package meals for disaster relief efforts and third world countries. Come be part of an assembly line to package 10,000 boil-in-bag meals to be shipped wherever needed. This is an event that will feed others with nutrition and bring nourishment to the soul of those packaging the meals. Watch for a sign-up in early January to be part of this event.



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Soup”er Bowl Sunday Collection After All Masses February 7th & 8th

We will hold our annual monetary collections in soup pots on Superbowl Sunday weekend. Teens will be needed to hold the pots after Mass to collect donations.



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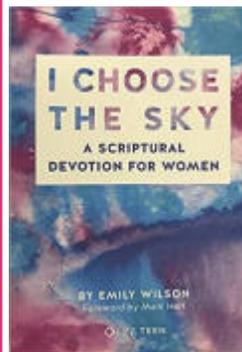


Red Cross Blood Drive February 15, 2021

Participate in our semi-annual “Service Sunday” on A MONDAY! Teens from the parish can register donors, serve juice and cookies after the donations and complete a variety of service projects for the

parish Faith Formation Office. This is on President’s day.

Calling All High School Girls...

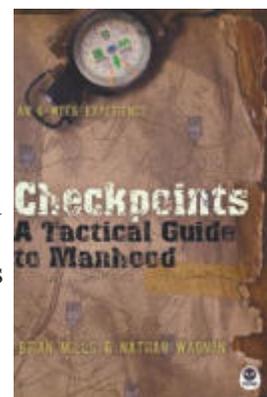


The Bible is filled with pages of narratives of people that gave their entire lives to God. Many of these stories are about men and a natural question arises, Are there women in the Bible? Do they have a place in the Church? It is a good question with a great answer. There are many women who are a vital part of salvation history and their stories are critical parts of Sacred Scripture. Do you know them? *I Choose the Sky* paints a beautiful portrait of just a handful of these women seventeen, in fact, whose stories are easily glossed over, but not easily forgotten. These women, heroic and virtuous, teach us something about the very fabric of human-kindness and God’s love. This book is about their choice to raise their eyes heavenward despite difficulties and live their lives with hope, boldness, generosity, and great faith. This scriptural devotion will inspire young women to raise their heads along with Mary, Martha, Lydia, and Esther and look into the eyes of Jesus, the God who loves deeply and perfectly.

Join us in the New Year for a book study on the book *I Choose the Sky*. We will begin reading and reflecting in mid-January. Contact Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org to join

And for the Guys...

Written by a youth pastor and an officer in the U.S. Army, *Checkpoints: A Tactical Guide to Manhood* will help young men recognize, resist, and carefully avoid the snares and ambushes set by the enemy. This experience and guide, based on Scripture, will provide practical strategies ("force multipliers") for grounding young men in the truth, growing them in their faith, and helping them become courageous warriors for God in a world hostile to real manhood.



Join us in the New Year for a book study on the book *A Tactical Guide to Manhood*. We will begin reading and reflecting in mid-January. To get the book and join the study, contact Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen

bonnied@stpwl.org 248-698-3100 x 215

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

How to get started on the path to better health in the New Year.

Looking to reboot your health in 2021? What you need to do is clear.

"We should sit less, move more and be mindful about what we eat." Setting goals that balance these priorities but are achievable is going to be very important to set the right tone."

Eat and drink healthier. Begin with small changes and measurable goals when it comes to eating better and reducing calories.

Pick a couple of healthy new behaviors each month. Keep dessert under control at home by having only an occasional scoop of ice cream or a small piece of chocolate. If your goal is to eat more servings of fruits and vegetables, try to include them in foods you already like. Add spinach or green peppers to your pizza, or dip raw broccoli or carrots in a little salad dressing. "Your mind thinks, 'Wow, it's not too bad.' At the end, you become a friend of vegetables."

Stay warm and keep moving.

Cam West RN
Parish Nurse

Luminaria Lighting and Rosary at St. Patrick Parish

Please join the Knights of Columbus on **January 16th after 5:00 Mass**. They will be placing Luminarias outside the cemetery and lit in remembrance on the Eve of the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. After the candle lighting, the Rosary will be said in the church. Please join us.



COMMUNITY COLUMN

Family Law Assistance Project

Intake at Oakland County Law Library, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, West Wing Extension 2nd Floor. Every other Wednesday 1-4pm. Family law emergencies which are unable to wait for a Clinic day may call 248-335-0125.

Rachel's Project

On average, there is a five to ten-year period of denial during which a woman who was traumatized by her abortion will repress her feelings. Come find release from your anguish and experience forgiveness and hope on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat. For more information call 248-494-6363 or visit www.detroitrachelvineyard.org.

Free Child Development Classes

Check out the ongoing class series at Oakland Family Services, 114 Orchard Lake, Rd., Pontiac 48384. Call Margaret Sclesky, ELC Trainer at 248-858-7766 ext. 300 or msclesky@ofsfamily.org



BLOOD DRIVES:

1-5-21: Our Lady of the Lakes Church, 5495 Dixie Hwy., Waterford, 7:30am-7:30pm

1-7-21: Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Rd., Clarkston, 1:00pm-7:00pm

1-8-21: Waypoint Church, 8400 Dixie Hwy., Village of Clarkston, 12:00-6:00pm



RIGHT TO LIFE-LIFESPAN

Roe v Wade 48th Anniversary

The 48th anniversary of Roe v. Wade is January 22nd. Luminaria bag with a candle will be available after the 5:00 mass on January 16th and 17th. Please light your luminaria at dusk on January 21st, the eve of the anniversary, and let it burn throughout the night in remembrance of the lives lost.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Christian Service Coordinator • 248-698-3103



Please Pray for Our Men & Women in the Military

EM3 Christian Kopicko - Coast Guard
 HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves
 SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves
 Lt. Paul Campbell – USN
 Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce
 Sgt. Dion (Cavill) Thomas – Marines
 Major Andrew Atanasoff – USAF
 Major Kathleen Atanasoff – USAF
 S SGT Casey Crowley – Marines
 PFC Dustin Crowley – Nat. Guard
 Capt. Joseph Payne- Army
 Michael Territo- Navy.
 Andrew Lucas-USMC
 Jesse Arbuckle- Navy
 E-1 Jacob Collins – National Guard – U.S. Army
 1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier – Air Force
 Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army
 Lt. Tommy Doot, US Army Special Force
 Austin Oberlander US Army
 Sarah Schneider US Air Force
 Justin Riordan, Army National Guard
 RCT Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines

Please Pray for the Sick

Ottie Kowalis
 Wally Krzycki
 Blanche Newton
 Michael Newton
 John Hanna
 Julie Komasara Muir
 Mary Ann Klakulak
 John Merriam
 Butch Buechel
 Charles Brincat
 George Goeddeke
 Chuck Spadafore
 Tom Zann
 Mario Stellini
 Michael Bennett
 Mary Rubenacker
 Frances Booth
 Stanley Crane
 Tim Cattin
 Judy Julite
 Richard Klank
 Margaret Fitzgerald
 Janice Stepek
 Matt Komisarz
 Al & Ruth Durand

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www.medianetworkofwaterford.org

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Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 18)

WATERFORD AREA:

Media Network of Waterford-Comcast
Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 10)
Tuesday: 10:00am (Channel 10)

Saturday:

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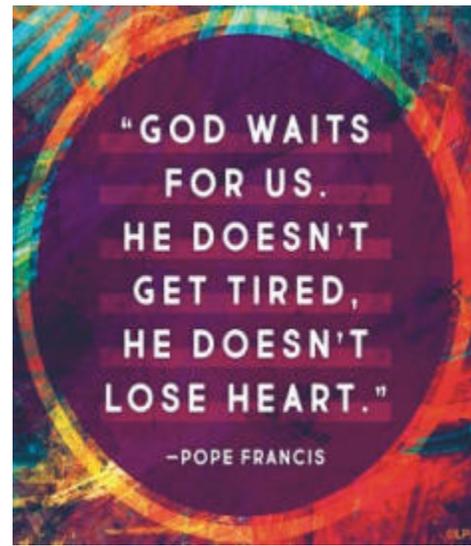
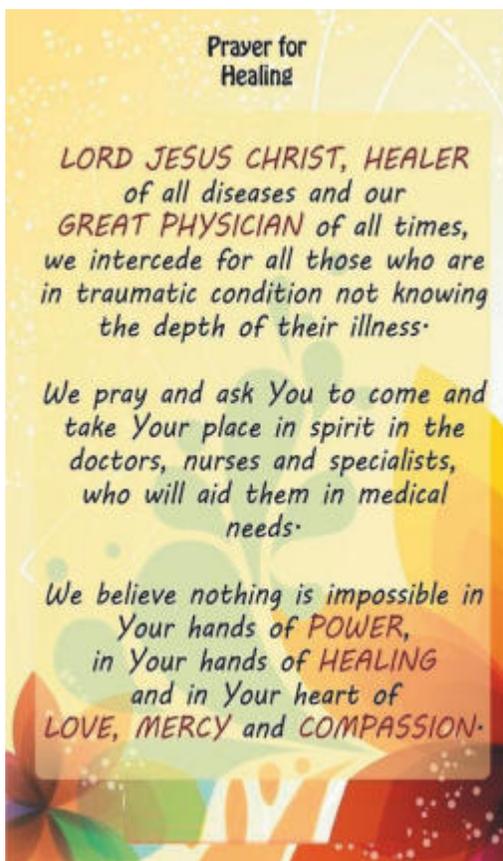
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(as of August 30, 2020)



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's Story

(August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821)

Mother Seton is one of the keystones of the American Catholic Church. She founded the first American religious community for women, the Sisters of Charity. She opened the first American parish school and established the first American Catholic orphanage. All this she did in the span of 46 years while raising her five children.

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton is a true daughter of the American Revolution, born August 28, 1774, just two years before the Declaration of Independence. By birth and marriage, she was linked to the first families of New York and enjoyed the fruits of high society. Reared a staunch Episcopalian, she learned the value of prayer, Scripture, and a nightly examination of conscience. Her father, Dr. Richard Bayley, did not have much use for churches but was a great humanitarian, teaching his daughter to love and serve others.

The early deaths of her mother in 1777 and her baby sister in 1778 gave Elizabeth a feel for eternity and the temporariness of the pilgrim life on earth. Far from being brooding and sullen, she faced each new "holocaust," as she put it, with hopeful cheerfulness.

At 19, Elizabeth was the belle of New York and married a handsome, wealthy businessman, William Magee Seton. They had five children before his business failed and he died of tuberculosis. At 30, Elizabeth was widowed, penniless, with five small children to support.

While in Italy with her dying husband, Elizabeth witnessed Catholicity in action through family friends. Three basic points led her to become a Catholic: belief in the Real Presence, devotion to the Blessed Mother, and conviction that the Catholic Church led back to the apostles and to Christ. Many of her family and friends rejected her when she became a Catholic in March 1805.

To support her children, she opened a school in Baltimore. From the beginning, her group followed the lines of a religious community, which was officially founded in 1809.

The thousand or more letters of Mother Seton reveal the development of her spiritual life from ordinary goodness to heroic sanctity. She suffered great trials of sickness, misunderstanding, the death of loved ones (her husband and two young daughters) and the heartache of a wayward son. She died January 4, 1821, and became the first American-born citizen to be beatified (1963) and then canonized in (1975). She is buried in Emmitsburg, Maryland.



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Schedule for December January 9/10/21

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday January 5 Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Susai	Pat Baumgarten	Volunteers	None	Video Volunteers Camera: Earl Audio: Steve Director: Earl Producer: Steve
Saturday January 9 5:00 pm Fr. Susai	Karen Schmitt	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
Sunday January 10 8:00 am Fr. Tom	Teresa Mershman	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Susai	Thomas Meyer	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Tom	Marsha Hughes-Navarre	Volunteers	None	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for January 4 - 10

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, January 4	8:00 am	Tina Cronan - In Remembrance	The Fresquez Family
Tuesday, January 5	Video Mass 11:00 am	George Huebner - 2nd Anniversary of Death Marion Soltis	Family Therese Poirier
Wednesday, January 6	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Thursday, January 7	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, January 8	8:30am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Saturday, January 9	5:00 pm	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Sunday, January 10 Baptism of the Lord	8:00 am	Louise Hall	The Shafran & Holling Families
	10:00 am	Mary Brincat Treg Moore	Carole Malzone Dennis & Cheryl Wilson
	12:00 pm	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	

WEEKLY CALENDAR
January 4 – January 10, 2021

MONDAY, January 4
 Mass—8am
 6:30pm—6th Grade “Encounter”
 (Virtual)
 7:45pm - 7th/8th Grade “Chosen”

TUESDAY, January 5
 Video Mass—11am

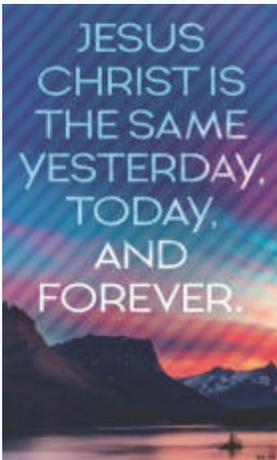
WEDNESDAY, January 6
 Mass—8am

THURSDAY, January 7
 Mass—8am

FRIDAY, January 8
 Mass—8:30am
 Bible Study - 9:30am

SATURDAY, January 9
 Confessions - 11am
 Confirmation Facilitator Training
 10am/AMR
 Mass—5pm

SUNDAY, January 10
Baptism of the Lord
 Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm
 RCIA-10am
 7pm - Confirmation- Decision Point
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SERVICES
Weekend Mass Schedule
 Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 noon
Weekday Mass Schedule
 Monday 8:00 a.m.
 Tuesday 11:00 a.m. videotaped
 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.
 Friday 8:00 a.m.

Rosary
 The Rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass.
 Mother of Perpetual Help devotions are prayed after each Monday Mass.

Holy Day Mass Schedule
 6:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Mass on a Civic Holiday - 9:00 a.m.

Parishioner Status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and giving of one's time, talent and treasure. It is important to be registered and active in your parish.

Parish Registration
 Call Parish office for monthly registration date.

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)
 Each Saturday at 11:00-11:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
 Register with Worship Department

Sacrament of Marriage
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