

St. Patrick Parish

December 26, 2021
Feast of the Holy Family



Feast of the Holy Family A Blessed & Peaceful 2022 To All!



ly Father, Pope Francis, as he did last year, is once again inviting all of us to gather in prayer at Mass as we welcome the first day of this New Year and ask that we all pray for greater peace, an end to the present pandemic, and a lessening of violence throughout the world during this coming year. A simple prayer that we might offer as we begin the new year could be that beautiful prayer of St. Francis when we pray that the Lord will: "...make me a channel of your peace...for it is in giving that we receive...in pardoning that we are pardoned and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

May each one of us, we pray, try to be a channel of God's love and peace to others this year. And so, as we begin the new year this Saturday, let us pray: "Lord, grant us peace"!

With Heartfelt Gratitude...

On behalf of our entire St. Patrick pastoral team and staff, I want to take this opportunity to express a note of deep thanks and appreciation to all of you who helped, in so many ways, to make our 2021 Christmas liturgical celebrations so inspiring, faith-filled and special as we gathered together to tell once again the timeless story of Jesus' birth at Bethlehem and remind ourselves that "God's love came down for us at Christmas" and aren't we

so fortunate that He decided to stay with us in our everyday life!

As pastor, I am very appreciative of all that so many of you do through various expressions of Christian Stewardship as you generously offer your time, talent and financial support throughout the year. I want to express a note of special thanks for your generous donations that you offered in the 2021 Christmas collections for our parish and for those we serve. May the Lord always keep you in His love and care.

On a more personal note, I also want to offer my sincere appreciation to all of you— individuals, parish organizations, families, groups, etc. for the cards, the prayers and special edible treats that you gave me this Christmas as well as for your personal encouragement and prayers that you offered. May the Lord bless you for your willingness to share your God-given blessings with others.

Feast of the Holy Family

This weekend, as we are coming to the conclusion of 2021, we are celebrating the Feast of the Holy Family—Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This might be a good time, as our Holy Father, Pope Francis encourages us, to reflect and pray about the importance of the family and as a place for the "miniature Church in the home"—where we can all share the "Joy of Jesus" with one another and be merciful to them and others. When the "family prays together" there is a better chance that "they will stay together"!

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Pastoral Notes

A Happy New Year to you! This Saturday, January 1st, 2022, we will be celebrating the Liturgy for Mary, Holy Mother of God. That morning, our Mass will be offered at 10:00am. This is not a Holyday of Obligation this year according to the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. (There will not be a 5:00pm Mass that day.) At this New Year's Mass, as we offer special tribute to Mary, the Mother of God; Mother of Christ; Mother of the Church; Mother of us all, as we are through our Baptism, members of the Body of Christ. Our Ho-

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Perhaps sometime this week, we could all take a few moments to thank God for the blessings He has so generously given to us as a family as we think about our own family relationships.

May the Lord bless all of our family members, both living and deceased, and keep them always in His love and care. May we express our Catholic faith in action as we offer care, service, compassion, forgiveness and love to all of our family members in our everyday life. A Happy and Holy Feast of the Holy Family to all!

You can find a special prayer in the bulletin today for your family to offer together entitled, "Consecration to the Holy Family". I want to thank our parish Knights of Columbus Council for providing this for us as we celebrate this Feast of the Holy Family.

Let us ask the Lord's blessings upon us all as we will soon begin the New Year of 2022—this New Year of God's grace and possible surprises for us in the days to come. May the Lord grant us a prosperous, faith-filled and peaceful New Year.

Retirement for Religious Appeal Update!

As of now, the Retirement Appeal for religious sisters, brothers and priests has amounted to \$3,335.00. If you would still like to offer your contribution to this important annual collection, simply mail an envelope or use the one provided in your offertory packet. Just mark it "Religious Retirement Appeal", and if you offer a check, make it out to "St. Patrick Church Religious Retirement Appeal"—enclose your donation and see to it that we receive it at the office or place it in the offertory collection box at the back of church. We will forward it to the Religious Retirement Office of the Archdiocese.

May the Lord bless you for your willingness to help those religious sisters, priests and brothers who willingly and generously offered their lives in the service of the Church and to the people of God. As this special donation envelope reminds us "...Please give to those who have given a lifetime"!

Scriptural Reflections

From my Scriptural Readings this week, I would like to share with you these reflections from: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52.

Each year, as this feast of the Holy Family arises, we have the opportunity to reflect on their lives. What can we learn from these holy people? How might we imitate them? Perhaps the answer is clear. In an age when we are faced with relentless messaging from social media, television, and competing ideologies, modern families need to be grounded in prayer and religious traditions.

We know very little about Christ's life between his birth and the beginning of his public ministry. We know that he was born in Bethlehem in a humble stable. Soon, his young life was threatened and his family escaped to Egypt. Eventually, they returned to Nazareth. We can only imagine Jesus growing up in a simple house with Mary, his loving Mother, and Saint Joseph, his protective guardian. We picture him in Mary's lap or learning a carpenter's trade at Joseph's workbench. The early years of Christ's life are often identified by scholars as the "hidden life" of Jesus.

The beginning of today's Gospel states that Mary and Joseph went to Jerusalem annually for Passover according to festival custom. On one such occasion, when Christ was 12, he remained at the temple; his parents found him there, discussing Scriptures with the rabbis. Significantly, this story of finding him in the temple "is the only event that breaks the silence of the Gospels about the hidden years of Jesus" (ccc534).

These visits to a house of worship are significant. The temple in Jerusalem was seen as God's dwelling place. Even Jesus—God's dwelling place among men—took the time to go there (ccc 586). The temple was a house of prayer, where sacrifices were offered and God's praises were sung. At the temple, in the synagogues, and in his home, Jesus would have learned the words and rhythms of his people's prayers.

Like Jesus, Mary and Joseph, we are part of a holy family—we, too, are *children* of God. Just like Mary and Joseph, our family life is enriched when we go to church to worship the One who created and loves us. Like Mary and Joseph, we must be attentive to the presence of Christ in our lives, to hold all he did and said in our hearts, and to willingly participate in God's divine plan. By being attentive

to God's Word and by keeping his commandments, we, too, will grow in wisdom and grace and favor.

With Peace and Joy always in our Lord Jesus—our Emmanuel, God with us—our ever present Lord and Savior.

Peace, Joy and Hope in the Lord Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom

December 26, 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

WEEK OF 12/19/21	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFER- ENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	No figures at this time		
ONLINE GIVING			
TOTAL		\$18,692.31	

YEAR TO DATE

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

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

Summer's End Non-Fair Report!

As of: 12-17-2021

No. of Donors: 352

Grand Total: \$70,001.00

**ST. PATRICK PARISH
MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the St. Patrick Parish of White Lake, are a Catholic faith community that celebrates Life in Christ. As we are nourished and led by the Holy Spirit, our common baptismal mission is: to evangelize; to proclaim and to teach the Word of God; to praise and to worship God in Word and Sacrament; and to live His Word through loving service to ALL people. On this active faith journey, we are called to be disciples who affirm, heal and forgive in the love of Christ. Amen



**THINKING OF SWITCHING TO
ONLINE GIVING**

ParishSoft/Ministry Brands will match your gift, if you're NEW to online giving between November 1 and December 31, 2021

THIS IS THE SEASON FOR GIVING

For every **NEW** recurring gift that's added between November 1 and December 31, 2021, ParishSoft/Ministry Brand will match the gift, up to \$50, with a maximum match of \$1,000 per organization. To be eligible for the matching gift, more than one installment must be set-up and the first recurring gift will need to be completed by December 31, 2021. ParishSoft/Ministry Brand will disburse the matching gifts to our organization in Q1 2022.

Please visit our website www.stpatrickwhitelake.org and click on the online giving tab to create an account. Thank you in advance for your generosity. God Bless!

The Business Administration Team

Please Pray for Our Men & Women in the Military

- EM2 Christian Kopicko - Coast Guard
- HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves
- SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves
- Lt. Paul Campbell – USN
- Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce
- 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-Army
- 1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier – Air Force
- Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army
- Austin Oberlander US Army
- Sarah Schneider US Air Force
- Justin Riordan, Army National Guard
- LCpl Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines
- Evan Caswell—Marines



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 stpwl.org and click on "Online Giving". 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



WORSHIP

Ann Rogers arogers@stpwl.org
248-698-3100 x 222

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.



This Week's Readings

Monday, December 27

1 Jn 1:1-4
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday, December 28

1 Jn 1:5; 2:2
Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday, December 29

1 Jn 2:3-11
Lk 2:22-35

Thursday, December 30

1 Jn 2:12-17
Lk 2:36-40

Friday, December 31

1 Jn 2:18-21
Jn 1:1-18

Saturday, January 1

Happy New Year!
Holy Mother of God

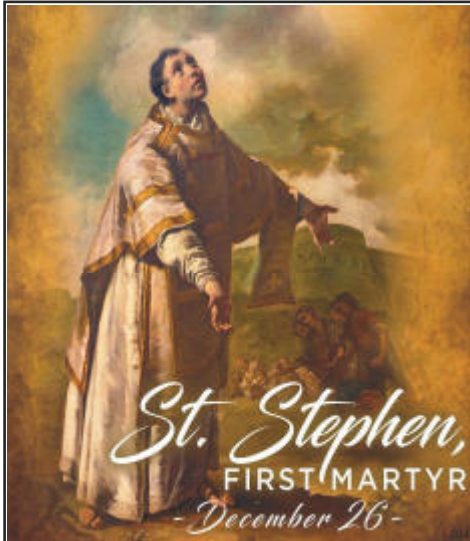
Nm 6:22-27
Gal 4:4-7

Lk 2:16-21

Sunday, January 2

Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12



The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

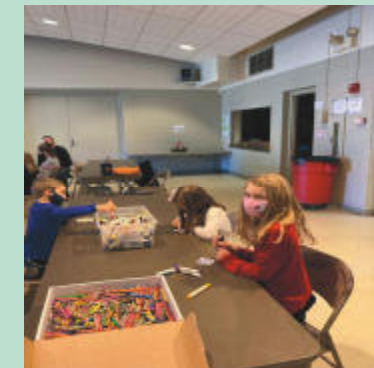
Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.

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Children's Charity Christmas Program

This Children's Program, held Sunday, December 12th, proved to be a big success. Hat and glove sets were donated for charity and a good time was had by all. Many thanks to all who attended.

Karen McCuean





Christmas Flower Donations

In Memory Of...

Jean Kovacic
 Bob Dertinger & Son, Roger
 Rose Turcott
 Gazelle Miller
 Cliff, Nora, George & Ruth Perry
 Earl, Lucille, Steve & Richard
 Whitlock

Rita Somers
 Earl Whitlock, Jr.
 Larry Pawlovich
 Julie & Jack LeBlanc
 Agnes & Josef Deren
 Lucie & John Mooney
 Eleanor Laraia
 Kristine Becker
 M/M James Mason
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 A. Joan Collins
 Bill & Jean Guckian
 Joey Guckian
 Regina & Frank Bacholzky
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Consecration to the Holy Family

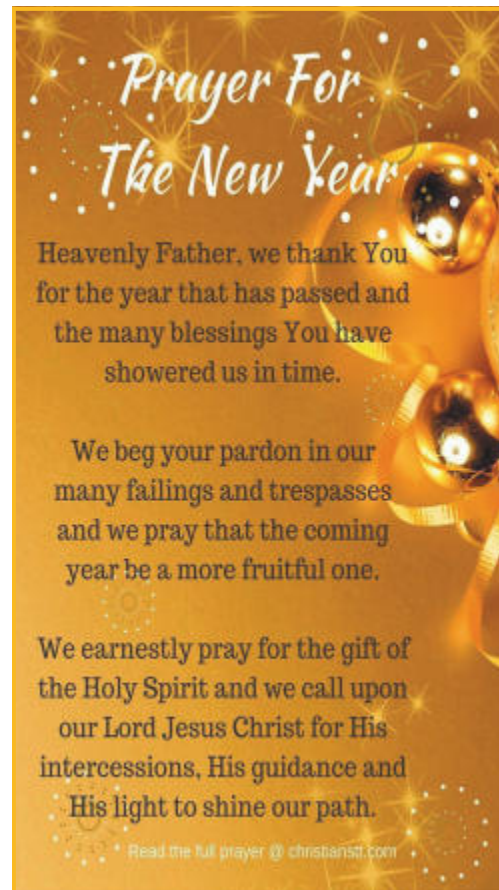
O Lord Jesus,
 you lived in the home of Mary and
 Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew
 in age, wisdom and grace as you
 prepared to fulfill your mission as our
 Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary,
 you are the Mother of our Savior.
 At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and
 nurtured him in the
 peace and joy of your home.
We entrust our family to you,

O Saint Joseph,
 you provided a secure and loving
 home for Jesus and Mary, and
 gave us a model of fatherhood while
 showing us the dignity of work.
We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family,
 we consecrate ourselves and our
 family to you.
 May we be completely united
 in a love that is lasting, faithful and
 open to the gift of new life.
 Help us to grow in virtue,
 to forgive one another from our hearts,
 and to live in peace all our days.
 Keep us strong in faith, persevering
 in prayer, diligent in our work,
 and generous toward
 those in need.
 May our home, O Holy Family,
 truly become a domestic church
 where we reflect your example
 in our daily life. Amen
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



Heavenly Father, we thank You
 for the year that has passed and
 the many blessings You have
 showered us in time.

We beg your pardon in our
 many failings and trespasses
 and we pray that the coming
 year be a more fruitful one.

We earnestly pray for the gift of
 the Holy Spirit and we call upon
 our Lord Jesus Christ for His
 intercessions, His guidance and
 His light to shine our path.

Read the full prayer @ christianst.com

Coming Back to Church

Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine! —Isaiah 43:1



DETROIT 2022

A GATHERING OF HIGH-SCHOOL YOUTH

Keynote Speaker
Dr. Bob Rice

Date / Schedule
Feb. 6th, 2022
8:15 AM — 7:15 PM

Breakouts
The Culture Project

Special Appearances
Bishop Arturo Cepeda
Fr. Patrick Gonyeau

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL | RISEDETROITYOUTH.ORG

All 9-12th graders are invited to attend RISE! All attending teens must be accompanied by an adult chaperone (youth minister, high school campus minister, teacher, pastor, parent, etc.).

The event will take place on Sunday, February 6th from 8:15am-7:15pm at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills. The speakers include Dr. Bob Rice, the Culture Project, Bishop Cepeda, and Fr. Patrick Gonyeau! Activities include keynotes, powerful praise and worship experiences, two workshop opportunities, small group discussion, and Liturgy!

Standard Admission: \$35 for all participants: teens and adults. Includes lunch and dinner! Contact jcavanaugh@stpwl.org to see how you may be able to attend at no cost to you.

Register today:
www.risedetroityouth.org

Join us on Saturday, January 15th

Where? St. Patrick Social Hall **When?** 10:00am-2:00pm

Why? To help bring God to others through our Works of Mercy

Martin Luther King
SERVICE DAY 2022



Please consider donating some items to help make our day of service a success!

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Cake Mix | Frosting | Paper plates |
| Napkins | Candles | Plasticware |
| Party Favors | Art Supplies | Stickers |
| Bubbles | Fruit Snacks | Sidewalk Chalk |
| Fleece Blanket material | | |
| Medium Sized Gifts Bags—boy or girl | | |

Bottles and Cans to help us earn money for the meal packaging event on 2/5 for the Kid's Coalition Against Hunger

Contact: jcavanaugh@stpwl.org
to sign up to attend the event

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Session on Sunday, January 9th 7:00-8:30pm - We resume our preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. Please remember to bring your "Gift of the Spirit" homework and Retreat Day selection form.



Confirmation Names— Those candidates who have yet to choose a Confirmation name should be doing their research this month. Our retreat is quickly approaching at the end of January and all candidates will need to have chosen a name by then.

Service—Check out the opportunities between now and Christmas. We also have our Martin Luther King Day of Service on Saturday, January 15th and the Meal Packaging event on Saturday, February 5th. Confirmation service time should be completed by February 15th.

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

On Saturday, February 5, 2022, 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

- Drop an envelope at the parish office or weekly offertory labeled "Youth Ministry Meal Packaging"
- Mail a check or money order to:

Kids Coalition Against Hunger
P.O. Box 930794
Wixom, MI 48393
ATTN: St. Patrick February 5 White Lake

Your donation is fully tax deductible

St Patrick Middle School Faith & Fun



We will resume our sessions in the new year on January 10th, 2022 with our annual "Black and White Out!"

Save the Dates for more Middle School FUN!

February 5th 10am-noon—Kid's Coalition Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event—Be one of our 100 volunteers who will be part of an assembly line to package boil in bag meals to help feed those in need. Parents and kids serve together at this event.

February 7th, 2022 6:30-8:30pm—The King's Yomen and Bring a Friend Night! We will begin with our Circle of Grace/safe environments session and end with a gospel based drama using some amazing yo-yo skills! Current 5th graders are invited to join us for this evening following their Faith Formation session.

February 27th, 1:00-7:00pm—Middle School Retreat Day with the NET ministry team. The theme for the day is Strength in Numbers and it's all about building authentic friendships.



Teens...Stay spiritually fed by staying in touch using one of our Social Media Platforms!



Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010



Instagram:@spteenswhitelake



Facebook: SpTeens White Lake



Twitter: spteenswhitelake



Snapchat: stpatteens



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.

**The Visit of the Magi**

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 Messiah 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.

Matthew 2:1-12

Religious Education 2022

Welcome back Faith Formation Families, I hope and pray everyone had a healthy and safe holiday break. Here's what is coming up:

1-3 Monday RE classes resume on-line

1-8 Saturday Sacramental Prep 3:30-5

1-9 RCIA/RCIC resumes

1-10 Monday RE classes in person 5:45-7

1-16 Family Faith 3-5

Bible Study**New Women's Bible Studying**

**February 23rd (Wednesday) 6 Weeks
8:15am-9:30am**

Theme: Ordering your Priorities

Contact: Lisa at jpowaser@stpwl.org



As we prepare for this New Year, much is still uncertain. But this we know for sure...God is on our side! Perhaps this year we can shake up our New Year Resolutions with a Catholic twist! Try these Resolutions for 2022!

Read the Bible.

The whole thing. But don't start at Genesis and read through to Revelation. Check out a bible plan online and start your journey!

Get to know the Saints

Pick a Saint you may not be familiar with or one that you know ... read about them weekly or monthly! You will not be disappointed!

Read Something Worthwhile.

You'll have to determine for yourself what a good goal would be—one spiritual book a month or half an hour of spiritual reading a day or maybe just one book this year—can be a game changer.

Sacraments!

Make a concrete resolution to live a more Sacramental life.



A Challenge for the New Year

Forgive.

Forgiveness is a choice, not a feeling. Make a resolution to forgive somebody for whom you've been harboring resentment, then do something tangible like offering every Friday Mass for them or placing a picture of them before an image of the Blessed Mother or just daily praying.

Give.

There are so many ways to give. Give your prayers to those less fortunate...give your time to raise up those around you...give your treasure to help those in need. Make this the year you lift someone up !

Join a Group.

Whether it's a Bible study or a faith-sharing group, find a group of Catholics who are meeting each week to pray and grow in faith together. There's only so much you can grow in holiness when you're doing it alone.

Commit to Daily Silent Prayer.

This year, commit to a certain amount of time every day to just be still before the Lord, talking to him and listening, too.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen

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On behalf of Christian Service, with humble gratitude- thanks to all for the success of our Seasonal Sharing this year. Due to your generosity, we were able to fulfil our commitment to help the needed families and agencies that depend on the help of St. Patrick at Christmas time.

May you be blessed with the Peace of Christ

Peace,
Bonnie Degen
Coordinator of Christian Service
St. Patrick Parish

Coffee and Donuts



Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the social hall after 8 AM and 10 AM Masses this weekend. The proceeds are donated to local mission services in our area.

Board Game Night at Independence Village

Game Night is on Thursday evenings at Independence Village. Please contact Kelly at kbrittingham@stpwl.org for more information to have fun and spread joy with our seasoned citizens.

Right to Life/ LIFESPAN Merry Christmas to All!

The Christ child is born! Alleluia! He came as a little child! He came to bring Life to the world! Each child that is born carries the Life message of Christ. Merry Christmas and blessings to all.

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

We all plan on our holiday celebrations, but are we planning on our fun as a family for after the holidays? I want to take this time to encourage all families to plan an outside fun activity. Our Metro parks have so much to offer. Have you ever fed the birds from your hands? Have you ever just taken a walk in the parks? Park your car and just walk and enjoy God's beauty. And, if God sends snow, you and your family can enjoy sledding. Don't let this time for your family and God go by. Exercise, have fun, and thank God for these times together.

Cam West RN-Parish Nurse



St. Vincent de Paul

Please remember the poor boxes at the doors of the church. Requests for help are high in these uncertain times. Thanks you so much for your generous and continued support. The needs of the poor are greater in the winter months when utility bills are high. With your support, we are able to help those struggling with their bills.

Blood Drives



December 28th. -Thrive Church, 680 West Livingston, Highland, 10:00am-4:00pm

January 17th. – UWM Sports Complex, Pontiac, 10:00am-4:00pm

January 18th. – Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Rd., Clarkston, 1:00pm-7:00pm

For your convenience, please consider making an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org

The Bloomfield Donation Center at 4190 Telegraph Road, and is open 7 days a week by appointment only, times vary, see their website.

The Farmington Hills Donation Center at 31150 Haggerty Rd, times vary, make an appointment at the website above.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Christian Service Outreach is looking to build a small group of volunteers interested in doing various tasks in the community. Could be helping an elderly parishioner, cleanup at a retirement home, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Meals on Wheels, etc. Our group of volunteers would be called upon for various tasks and outreach possibilities as needed in our community. This will not be a weekly commitment, just "when you can help" type group. Email Kelly Brittingham at kbrittingham@stpwl.org, or call and leave a message at 248 698 3100x 215.

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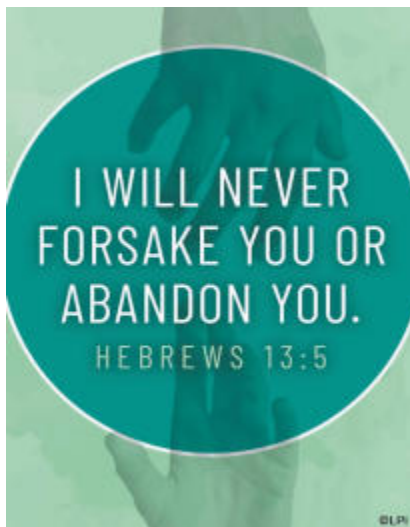
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al Mass archives.

(as of August 30, 2020)



Schedule for December 28 & January 1 & 2, 2022

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday Dec. 28 Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Tom	Pat Mackowiak	Volunteers	Volunteers	Video Volunteers Camera: Janice Audio: Steve Director: Janice Producer: Steve
Saturday Jan. 1 10:00am Fr. Tom (No 5:00pm Mass)	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Sunday Jan. 2 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom / Deacon Ken	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai / Deacon Mike	Volubnteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for December 27 - January 2

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, December 27	8:00 am	Abby Mancuso on her Birthday	Grammy
Tuesday, December 28	11:00 am (Video Mass)	Jean Fitzsimons - Birthday Remembrance	The Sawruk Family
Wednesday, December 29	8:00 am	Fr. John Peter Arul	Nancy Meyer
Thursday, December 30	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, December 31 New Year's Eve	8:30 am	Mike Shafran on his Birthday	Family
New Year's Day Saturday, January 1 Holy Mother of God	10:00am (No 5pm Mass)	Karol Ciaverella John Geran - In Remembrance Carol Yost - In Remembrance Don Bednard - 2nd Anniversary of Death	Paul Family Family Paul Gorski
Sunday, January 2 The Epiphany	8:00 am	Tate, Madisyn, Hana & Justin Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society	Friend
	10:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
	12:00 pm	Gloria Minnebo	Husband, Jim

WEEKLY CALENDAR
December 27– January 2

Monday, Dec. 27

Mass - 8:00am
 8:00am - Basketball Tournaments

Tuesday, Dec. 28

Mass - 11:00am (Video Mass)
 8:00am - Basketball Tournaments

Wednesday, Dec. 29

Mass - 8:00am
 8:00am - Basketball Tournaments

Thursday, Dec. 30

Mass - 8:00am
 8:00am –Basketball Tournaments

Friday, Dec. 31

Mass - 8:30am
 8:00am Basketball Tournaments

Saturday, Jan. 1

Holy Mother of God
Mass: 10:00am
 (There will be no 5:00pm Mass)

Sunday, Jan. 2

Feast of the Epiphany
Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm



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Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 12 noon

Weekday Mass Schedule

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 Tuesday 11:00 a.m. videotaped
 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.
 Friday 8:30 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.

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