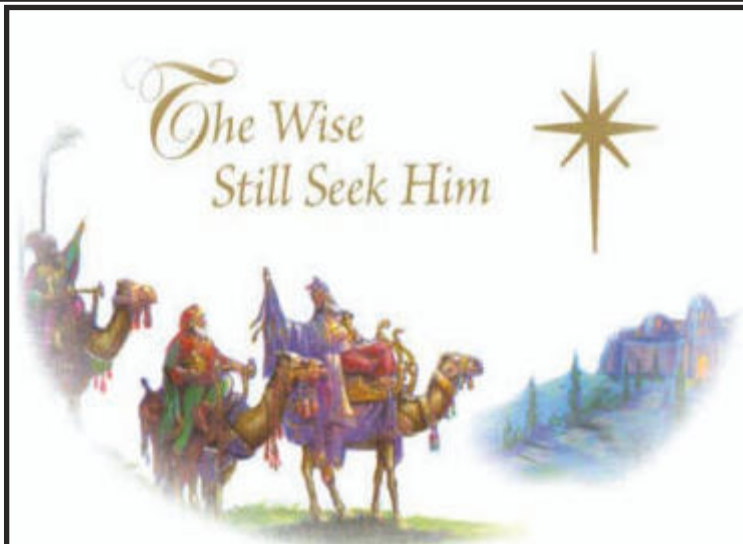


St. Patrick Parish

January 2, 2022
Feast of the Epiphany
of the Lord



**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD!
A Peaceful and Blessed 2022 To Everyone!**



I found the following spiritual reflection in our Missalette from World Library Publications that I thought might help you to understand how today's Gospel of the account of the Epiphany of the Lord can have a contemporary message for us in our own time.

"Light. Without it we would not be able to see. It is no accident that in the beginning, the first thing God created was light. And it was good. One special property of light is that it is not diminished by the number of people using it. No matter how many people are already outside on a sunny day, there is no less sunlight for the next person on the scene. Whether the light is from the sun, from a star, from God, or from Christ, it is available to all and diminished by none. Isaiah speaks of the light shining forth from Jerusalem after the Chosen People returned from exile. It guided them back home, but it was also a beacon for people beyond the sea or across the desert. They were invited to witness the glory of God as well. Similarly, the star over Bethlehem was not only visible to the people of Judah. It led the Magi as they journeyed from their home in the east (probably Persia). Not everyone accepted the light (Herod), but it shone forth for all. The light of Christ continues to be revealed all over the world, just as it was during Paul's time. We are all members of the same body, equally illuminated by the light and promise of Christ. How can you be welcoming to all who are drawn to the light of Christ?"

A New Year's Resolution

Perhaps, as we are beginning this New Year of 2022, 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".

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 2022, 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 outdone 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?"

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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!

Peace and Joy in the Lord Whom We Serve as we celebrate this "Little Christmas",

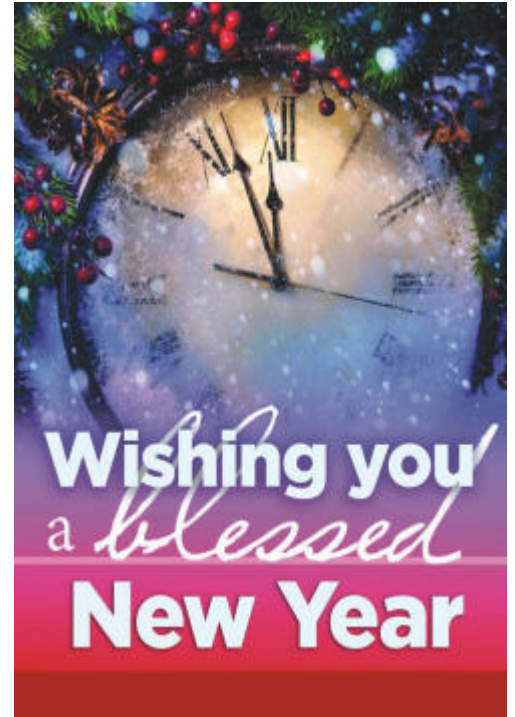
Fr. Tom



God of gold, we seek your glory: the richness that transforms our drabness into color, and brightens our dullness with vibrant light; your wonder and joy at the heart of all life.

God of incense, we offer you our prayer: our spoken and unspeakable longings, our questioning of truth, our search for your mystery deep within.

God of myrrh, we cry out to you in our suffering: the pain of all our rejections and bereavements, our baffled despair at undeserved suffering, our rage at continuing injustice; and we embrace you, God-with-us, in our wealth, in our yearning, in our anger and loss




In Christianity, the Epiphany refers to a realization that Christ is the Son of God. Western churches generally celebrate the Visit of the Magi as the revelation of the Incarnation of the infant Christ, and commemorate the Feast of the Epiphany on January 6.

Traditionally, Eastern churches, following the Julian rather than the Gregorian calendar, have celebrated Epiphany (or Theophany) in conjunction with Christ's baptism by John the Baptist and celebrated it on January 19; however, other Eastern churches have adopted the Western Calendar and celebrate it on January 6. Some Protestant churches often celebrate Epiphany as a season, extending from the last day of Christmas until either Ash Wednesday, or the Feast of the Presentation on February 2nd.


A New Year's Prayer
DEAR LORD
As a new year begins, We come to You and ask for Your blessing.
We pray that you would give us joy to fill our days, peace to fill our hearts, and love to fill our lives.
Thank You for the plans You have for us in this new year.
We wait in anticipation to see all You will do!
Thanking God for you and praying your new year is blessed in every way.
"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11
AMEN

Happy New Year
It's another year. May your dreams become true and may God pour love and care for you.

Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus 3 January



The sweet Name of Jesus produces in us holy thoughts, fills the soul with noble sentiments, strengthens virtue, begets good works and nourishes pure affection. All spiritual food leaves the soul dry, if it contain not, that penetrating oil, the Name Jesus.



St Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 - 1153)
Doctor of the Church

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	\$11,528.85		
ONLINE GIVING	\$5,614.50		
TOTAL	\$17,143.35	\$18,692.31	(\$1,548.96)
YEAR TO DATE	\$465,255.19	\$467,307.75	(\$2,052.56)

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

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

*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



*Summer's End Non-Fair
Report!*

As of: 12-20-2021

No. of Donors: 371

Grand Total: \$72,776.00



Stewardship Prayer

My church is composed of people like me.
I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.

Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work.

It will make generous gifts to many causes,
if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship,
if I invite and bring them.

It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness
and faith, and a church with a noble spirit,
if I, who make it, am filled with these same things.

Therefore, with your help, Lord, I shall dedicate myself
to the task of being all the things that I want my
church to be.

Amen.



Create in me a clean
heart oh God



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

Stewardship

Live & Give in GRATITUDE

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, January 3

1 Jn 3:22; 4:6
Mt 4:2-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 4

1 Jn 4:7-10
Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 5

1 Jn 4:11-18
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January 6

1 Jn 4:19; 5:4
Lk 4:14-22

Friday, January 7

1 Jn 5:5-13
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, January 8

1 Jn 5:14-21
Jn 3:22-30

Sunday, January 9

Baptism of the Lord

Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Feast of the Epiphany

As we remember the feast of the Three Kings coming to worship the infant, Jesus, it is a tradition to bless our homes.

Prayer to bless the home:

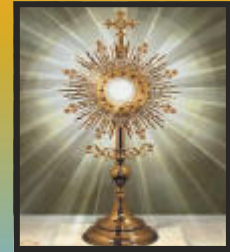
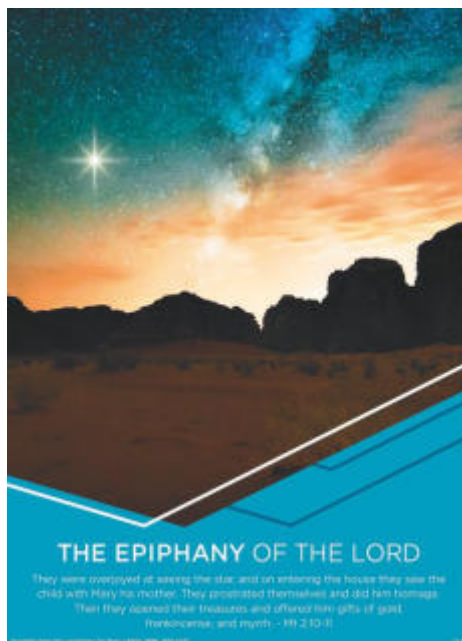
With chalk write over the entrance door of the home:
20 + C + M + B + 14
(the year and the first initial of the three Kings, Caspar Melchior & Balthasar)

Lord, we want this to be a place where people are loved, where they can experience Your wisdom and understanding, Your kindness, peace and joy. Bless each one present to willingly work with You to help this happen for themselves, for each other, and for all who come. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

How far...



Would you travel?



Join Father Susai on
Friday, January 7th at
7:00 pm
in the Church for
Mass and Benediction

We hope you can join us



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton January 4

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

**GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
OF SCRIPTURE**

**January 2, 2022
The Epiphany of the Lord**

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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*Prayer For
The New Year*

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



**Please Pray for the
Recently Deceased**

Richard Abbate
12-15-21
husband of Allyson

Lillian Ebejer
12-16-21
Aunt of Marie Waters

**Additional Christmas
Flower Donations**

In Memory Of...

Paul & Ray Borg
Charles & Dorothy Druerk
Virginia Healy
Virginia Sawicki
Charles & Emma Darke
Tony & Verna Kaminski
Marion Martin
Sherry Denning
Todd Morback
M/M S. Keyosky
M/M J. Klinkovsky
Stan Kosmalski

In Honor Of...

Pat Klinkovsky

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

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

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Our best wishes for a happy, healthy, prosperous and blessed New Year! We are always overwhelmed by the generous and giving hearts in our amazing parish! We can't begin to thank you enough for your continued support of our seasonal sharing.

We are here to serve the parish and the poor, and without you it would not be possible to help so many. Year after year, your kind donations allow us to shelter, feed, clothe, keep the heat and lights on, repair and keep gas in a car for those in need. We visit the homebound and help them feel joy at the holidays.

God bless you in 2022 – we will keep you all in our prayers.

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



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.

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

Change Your Salty Ways

Let's try to kick off 2022 with adopting a new habit.

- * Transform your taste
- * Find (and enjoy) foods with more moderate levels of sodium
- * Reduce bloating

Over the next three weeks, we will help you curb your salt habit. By choosing wisely, reading nutrition labels, watching your portions, you can start the New Year or even a new week with better eating habits. For example, learning to read and understand food labels can help you make healthier choices.

Look for the Heart-Check mark to find products that can help you make smarter choices about the foods you eat.

Salty Six

During week 1, your focus will be on bread and rolls, cold cuts and cured meats.

Look at the bread wrappers and it will tell you how much sodium is in one piece of bread, then one must multiply that with how much toast one has for breakfast, sandwich at lunch and bread or rolls at dinner.

Cold cuts and cured meats

One, two-ounce serving, or six thin slices, of deli meats can contain as much as half your daily recommended dietary sodium. Even among similar types of foods, the sodium content can vary a lot. Compare the nutrition labels of similar lunch meats and choose the one that is lowest in sodium.

Pretty interesting, huh? If you want more information, go to www.heart.org.sodiumbreakup.heart.org. 248-698-3103 ext. 215.

Cam West RN -Parish Nurse

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.

Blood Drives

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. Our group of volunteers would be called upon for various tasks and outreach possibilities as needed in our community. Email Kelly Brittingham at kbrittingham@stpwl.org, or call and leave a message at 248 698 3100x 215. See below for some ways you could help in the community.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



PRAYER REQUESTS

Ottie Kowalis
 Blanche Newton
 Michael Newton
 John Hanna
 Butch Buechel
 George Goeddeke
 Chuck Spadafore
 Mario Stellini
 Bill Reed
 Billy Reed
 Pat Klinkovsky
 Marge Sawruk
 Carl Schmitt
 Matthew Kovach
 Amy Marino
 Andrew Snook
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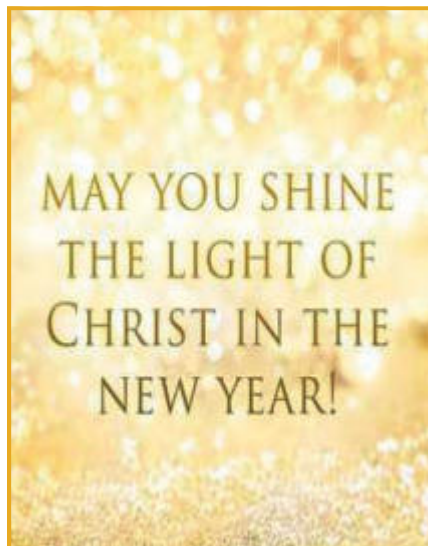
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Schedule for January 4 and January 8 & 9

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday <u>Jan 4</u> Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Susai	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Video Volunteers Camera: Audio: Director: Producer:
Saturday <u>Jan. 8</u> 5:00 pm Fr. Tom	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Sunday <u>Jan. 9</u> 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for January 3 - 9

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, January 3	8:00 am	Abby Kershner on her Birthday	Family
Tuesday, January 4	11:00 am (Video Mass)	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Wednesday, January 5	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Thursday, January 6	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, January 7	8:30 am	For All Seminarians	
Saturday, January	5:00 pm	For All Caregivers Daniel Elsey—In Remembrance George Huebner - 3rd Anniversary of Death	A Caregiver Sam & Pam Fiani Family
Sunday, January 9 The Baptism of the Lord	8:00 am	Larry Pawlovich	Friend
	10:00 am	Charles Brincat	The Barerra & Poir Families
	12:00 pm	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	

WEEKLY CALENDAR
January 3 - 9

Monday, Jan. 3
Mass - 8:00am

Tuesday, Jan. 4
Mass - 11:00am (Video Mass)

Wednesday, Jan. 5
Mass - 8:00am
 3:00pm—Girl Scout Troop #76828

Thursday, Jan. 6
Mass - 8:00am
 7:00pm—Boy Scout Mtg.
 - Venture Scout Mtg.

Friday, Jan. 7
Mass - 8:30am
 9:30am - Bible Study
 7:00pm—Mass & Benediction

Saturday, Jan. 8
 11:00am—Confessions
Mass - 5:00pm

Sunday, Jan. 9
Baptism of the Lord
Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm
 11:00am - RCIA
 - RCIA for Children
 7:00pm - GPS Confirmation Session
 - Middle School Faith Formation



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 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
 Thursday 8:00 a.m.
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Rosary

The Rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass.
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Holy Day Mass Schedule

6:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

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