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**JANUARY 2, 2022**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

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Saturday: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 AM

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday: 6:40 PM  
Wednesday—Friday: 9:00 AM

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 3:00 PM

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Tuesday: 4:00—6:30 PM

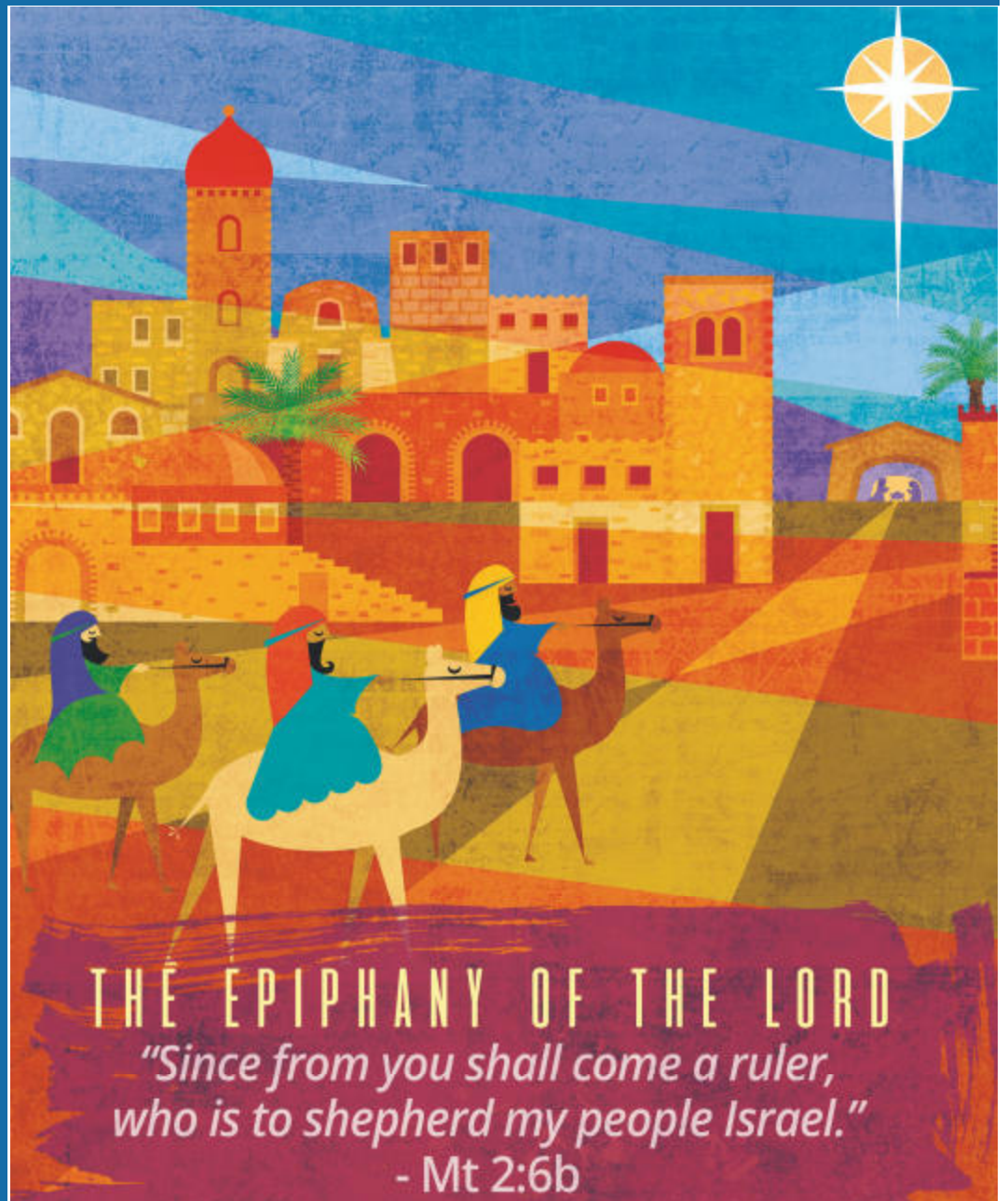
**PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS**

Tuesday at 6:30 PM and  
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For **Marriage, Baptism** and  
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**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

- Mt 2:6b





**PRAYER LIST**

- |                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Erinie Adams         | Stan Kozlowicz    |
| Norma Bak            | Charlotte Lanning |
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| Logan Hudson         | Jeff Worrall      |
|                      | Arleen Zalewski   |



*O Great Lily of the Mohawks, we ask that you take our intentions to the foot of the cross. Ask Jesus to bring healing to those who are heavily burdened. Through your intercession, may this favor be granted if it is according to the will of God. By your prayer, help us always to remain faithful to Jesus and to his Holy Church.*

*St. Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us. Amen.*

**A SPECIAL EVENT - Saturday, December 18th**

Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Father Dieudonné Ndibu "Père Dido" for our parishioner, Célestin Mbuyumba's graduation from University of Iowa with a Masters in Computer Technology.

The Mass was in French! Our Deacon did a GREAT job in preparing & making Père Dido feel at home!



*Congratulations! Célestin Mbuyumba*

Answer from Page 5: Confirmation, Baptism, and Holy Orders

**LATE RETURNS 2021 CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

**IN MEMORY OF:**



- John Baritche**
- Al Desantis**
- Helen DeSantis**
- Daryl Kiefer**
- Dorothy Kiefer**
- Norman Kiefer**



**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

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.

**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 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

**REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

**First Reading:**

The prophet Isaiah foresaw a time of great joy for Israel when nations and kings would come to Israel praising the Lord. **How do you show gratitude to the Lord for the great joys of your life?**

**Second Reading:**

It was revealed to Paul that God intended to save all people (*Jews and Gentiles*) through his Son, Jesus Christ. Paul tried to convey the significance of this revelation to the Ephesians by using the language of “coheirs” and “copartners.” **What does this language signal to you?**

**Gospel:**

The visit of the magi is one of the most well-known stories from the Gospel infancy narratives. It was an event that manifested God’s revelation of His newborn Son to the world. It also foreshadowed the threat that some would experience because of Jesus. **How does Jesus challenge the status quo even today?**



**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**WEEKEND OF JAN 8 – 9**

Saturday, JANUARY 9, 4:00PM  
Gloria Koss

Sunday, JANUARY 10, 9:00AM  
Margaret Skora

Sunday, JANUARY 10, 11:00 AM  
Rob Ciavaglia



All trained & qualified Eucharistic Ministers, regardless of your parish, are welcome to serve Holy Communion at St. Kateri. Father needs three EMs at each Mass for the Precious Body. Please come forward during the greeting of peace if you wish to serve. Your generosity in this ministry is much appreciated.



**Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*  
**6:40 PM**

† **Josephine DeFilippi**  
(by Family)

**Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. John Neumann, Bishop*  
**9:00 AM**

- **Health of Mary Brea**  
(by Carol Uniewski)

**Thursday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. André Bessette, Religious*  
**9:00 AM**

† **Deceased Members of the Bazner & Slowik Families**  
(by Family)

**Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest*  
**9:00 AM**

† **Marie Darcangelo**  
(by Wanda Darcangelo & Family)

**Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:00 PM**

- † **Pat Ayland**  
(by Gloria Koss)
- † **Mabel Bremel**  
(by Lina Herring)
- † **Richard Stepien**  
(by Cynthia Nepjuk)
- † **Jeanette & Cris Tonilas**  
(by Family)

**Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**  
*The Baptism of the Lord*  
**9:00 AM**

- † **Cataldo & Isgro Families**  
(by Family)
- † **Russell Crawford**  
(by Barbara Cataldo)
- † **Ken Kuzava** (by Family)
- † **Paul Sullivan** (by Kathy)

**11:00 AM**

- † **George Escobedo**  
(by Sister, Maria)
- † **John Leonetti**  
(by Michael Leonetti, Sr.)
- † **Joseph Pulford**  
(by Family)
- † **Robert Schneider**  
(by Family)
- † **Enrique Signori Sr. & Ellery Signori** (by Family)

**ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT AND BOOK SHOP NEWS**



Happy New Year! Thank you for your support in 2021! Our sales proceeds have gone to help fund our parish and contribute to the Red Cloud Indian School in South Dakota. May the New Year of 2022 bring us all God's blessings of good health, peace and happiness.

The shop will reopen next weekend, January 8th and 9th. Hope to see you back again in 2022!



*They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11*

**Question:**

Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

**Answer:**

Epiphany means “manifestation,” or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew’s infancy narrative differs from Luke’s account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph’s long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.

Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact?

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**December 19<sup>th</sup>** **Week 25**

	Current	Year to Date
Budget \$	6,700.00	\$ 167,500.00
Current \$	4,323.00	\$ 151,355.00
Variance \$	(2,377.00)	\$ (16,145.00)


*We appreciate all those who continue to support our parish. Your envelope can be mailed, put in the offertory, or dropped off at the parish office.*

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**December 26<sup>th</sup>** **Week 26**

	Current	Year to Date
Budget \$	6,700.00	\$ 174,200.00
Current \$	2,032.00	\$ 153,387.00
Variance \$	(4,668.00)	\$ (20,813.00)

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**JUST FOR FUN**

**Question:** Which sacraments can only be received once?  
 Answer on Page 2

*Readings for the Week*

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

**Next Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



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All of us here at the pantry are so grateful for all of the help we've been receiving on our list of food. We have been serving 22 to 29 families per week, which is only 2 days, 4 hours per week. I am expecting us to surpass our \$22,000 amount from our last program we were in. Thank you all in advance. We would like to wish everyone a glorious Christmas season & a very happy and healthy New Year.

*January Prayer*

Dear Lord,  
 I pray that in you we would find hope and healing. Watch over us and give us the strength to keep moving forward as well as come alongside those who have suffered. Thank you for the new year and the opportunities that lie before us.

*Amen*

*Rest in Peace*

**LEONARD KWIECINSKI**  
 Husband of Lorraine Kwiecinski

**FRANCES LAMACCHIA**  
 Wife of Salvatore LaMacchia

**EDWARD SIKORA**  
 Husband of Helen Sikora  
 (Memorial Mass for Edward Sikora be scheduled for a later date)

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

*Pray for our Military*

Lord, hear our prayers for those who are serving in our military. Bless and protect them. May they know your presence and our appreciation for their valiant service. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

<b>U. S. Air Force</b>	<b>U. S. Army</b>
Diamond Knight	Nick Calvas
Kathleen Lyons	Dalton Evans
Teresa Lyons	Adam Schneider
Timothy Lyons	
Connor Plate	<b>U. S. Marines</b>
<b>U. S. Navy</b>	Anthony P. Alfano
Brendan Burns	Louis J. Bardel
Conor Burns	Lukas Boudreau
James Donahue	Connor Danaher
Ben LePage	Haley Valentine
James Smith	Joseph R. Walker
Rob Swales	

**THE DOWNRIVER PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP**

Greetings. If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease, we invite you to join an upbeat, educational and local community - **The Downriver Parkinson's Disease Support Group**. Our group goals are to make new friends, have fun and learn from each other and experts in the field on how to **minimize the effects of this disease**. We are part of a larger, state-wide network of 80+ support groups under the Michigan Parkinson Foundation umbrella. There is no reason you and/or your loved one needs to feel alone in this journey.

The group currently meets the **first Tuesday of every month from 1 pm to 2 pm** at the Allen Park Presbyterian Church at 7101 Park Ave. Allen Park, MI. We encourage Care Partners (spouse, family, friend, neighbor, etc.) to also attend.

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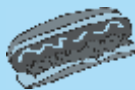
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