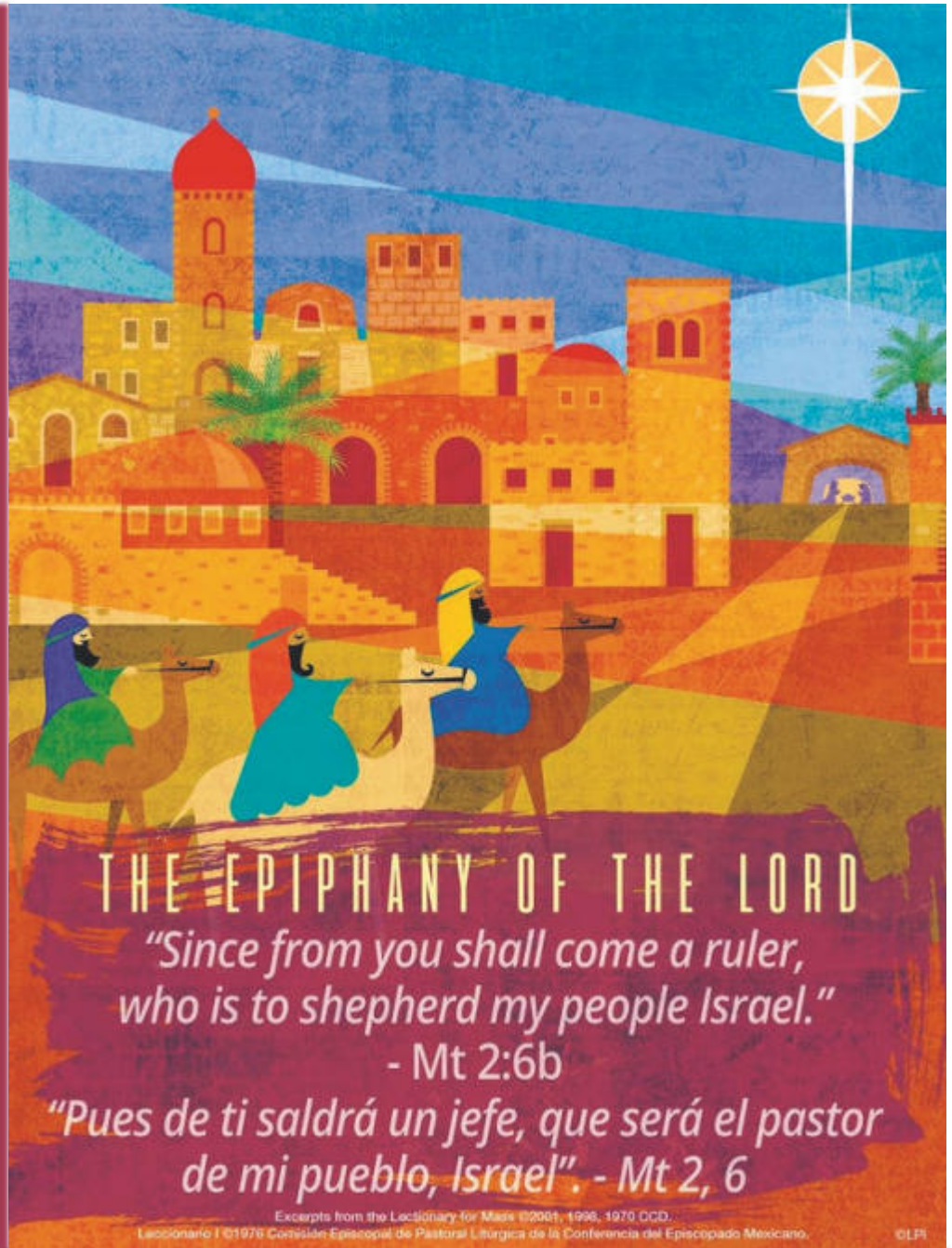


Sunday,
January 2, 2022



**Saint Patrick
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**Saint Patrick
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School Office Hours
Monday-Friday 8AM-3PM



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

- Mt 2:6b

*"Pues de ti saldrá un jefe, que será el pastor
de mi pueblo, Israel". - Mt 2, 6*

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Saint Patrick Catholic Church and School

Oldest Catholic parish in NC, established Aug. 6, 1821, placed under protection of Saint Patrick on Feb 4, 1824, and the first consecrated Catholic Church in NC on Mar 17, 1829. Saint Patrick Catholic School is the oldest, continuously operating private school in Fayetteville, NC and was established Sept 12, 1937.



Our Immaculate Conception Sodality Gift Shop
is located in the parish office's Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Room nearest the Columbarium.
Open Saturdays from 3:30 PM to 4:45PM. ♦ Sundays from 9:00AM until 12:30PM.





Thank you for worshipping with us!
Please come to the information table in the Gathering Space after Mass to speak with staff about making Saint Patrick your home.

¡Gracias por venir a celebrar la misa con nosotros!
Venga a la mesa de información en el vestíbulo después de la misa para hablar con el personal sobre cómo hacer de San Patricio su hogar parroquial.

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Saturday Vigil 5:00PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00AM (Nursery available) and 12:30PM in Spanish
 (Guardería de niños disponible)
First Saturday of the month 9:00AM & Rosary after Mass Monday - Friday 9:00AM
Adoration, Exposition & Rosary Every First Friday of the month after 9 AM Mass

We are pleased to offer a variety of additional Mass times throughout the month which include:

- Eastern Syriac Rite**, every First Sunday of the month at 4 PM and Rosary at 3:30PM
- French Mass**, every Second Sunday of the month at 4PM
- Vietnamese Mass**, every last Sunday of the month at 4PM and Confession and Rosary at 3PM.



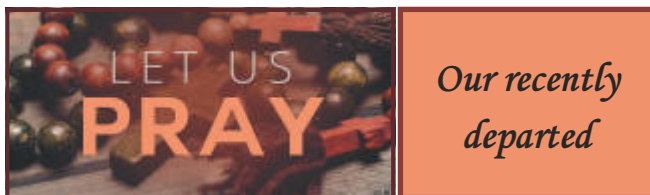
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PRAYER REQUESTS



Armando Anzures	Shane Kimball	David Rierson
Jordan Berry	Zackary King	Eduardo Rodríguez
Haley Boswell	Joshua Kolnitys	Juan E. Rodríguez
Brian Broadwell	Lori Lamm	Michael Romeu
Allen Buckhalt	James R. Leathers, Jr.	Edwin G. Rosales
Richard Chaney	Sonia Lewis	Jared Russell
Jonathan Craig	Brandon Loeder	Kris Salter
Carmichael P. Dumlao	Hunter Loeder	Brian Schrum
James Few	Lester Long	Christopher Shallop
Andrew Fonke	Caleb Lovett	Zack A. Small
Benjamin Fugaro-Thomson	Joshua Lovett	Tony Staut
Aidyn Fugaro-Fischer	Pat MacDonald	Kyle Stockwell
Margaret Galagher	Matthew Malone	Adam Storkamp
David J. Garcia	Zachary Martin	Patrick Sullivan
Kory Gray	Scott Monoher	Tate Sykes
Tanner Gunter	Kevin Nelson	Luke Thomas
Carter Hast	Louis Nelson	Adam Thompson
Casey Helm	Frank Odum	Brandon Tillman
Isaiah Hernández	Peter Pacheco	Tomlin C. Tom
Alex Hicks	Edward Parry III	Jonathan Turner
Michael Hicks	William "Bill" Peterson	Michael Vega
Jodie Honeycutt	Carlos Ramos	Lindon Watkins
Taylor Johnson	Ernest M. Reed	Christopher West
		John Wolf



*Our recently
departed*

Please pray for
Our beloved dead

And for their family and friends who mourn their death. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul rest in peace! Amen.

Friends and Families who have asked for our Prayers

Melaine Adams	Ryan Donovan	Julia Mulvey
Rex Adams	Caleb Downey	Joe Nagel
Carol Anderson	Tom Durkin	Kylee Nelson
Ron Anderson	James Dwiggins	Rosie Newton
Tobenna Anoliefo	Kathy Doody	Willie Newton
Diana Antonellis	James Dwiggins	José Otero Morales
Placido Arjonillo	Rick Fortson	Catherine W. Parker
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Rodolfo Arruabarrena	Monique Fultz	Carolina Pérez
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Peggy Ball	Oscar Gómez	Mary Ellen Plummer
Tony Barreto	Angel González	Sandra Plummer
Fran Batten	Anthony González	Hernan J. Pometto
Andrea Bernabey	Pilar González	Tim Prunoske
Maria Blalock	Purificacion Guzmán	Arleen Reyes
Christopher Boeshore	Dao Hamdam	Héctor Reyes
Jerry Boeshore	Tristan Hartman	Jaxson Richardson
Pat Bowles	Kelly Hatcher	Gail Riddle
Linda Brennan	Catherine Hewitt	Joey Riddle
Aliyah Brewington	Chirstine D. Hill	Blanca Rivas
Luz Alejandra Bringas	Charles Holahan	Veronica Rodriguez
Tom Britton	Pat Holahan	Edwin M. Santiago
Claudine Brock	Pat Hurley	Rosa Santos
Lois Brock	Angela Hutchens	Lillian Savicki
Betsy Bromley	Michael Hutnan	Mary Schaefer
Dean Brown	Maura Jentz	Rose Mary Semenza
Trudy Brown	Mary Johnson	Maria Shirley
Ted Brutnell	Janet Fonke Joseph	Michael Shunk
Mary Buchanan	Brenda Kaminsky	Jonathan Simmons
Larry Bullard	Fr. Jack Kelly	Karen Skinner
William Bursey	Vera Knackstedt	Theresa Sparks
Fred Burns	Incha Knip	Drake Strong
Gustavo Cáceres	Joe Knip	Patricia Steiner
Hernan Cáceres	Mary C. Kosterman	Cindy Sullivan
Laura Cáceres	Eileen Landreth	Marcia Sullivan
Roberto Canales	Jennifer Levine	Joseph Surkin
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Veronica Chávez	Cecilia Marguglio	Haley Tuberville
Hideko Collins	Madonna Mayville	Eric Wagner
Ortilio Colón	Trujillo McCabe	Amber Wagner
Janet Connors	Donald McCarty	Maddox Walters
Wendy Cortés	Carol McKeithan	Richard "Dick" Washburn
Ana Damián	John McKenzie	Scott White
Marilyn Daniels	Luisa B. Meléndez	Nomie Whitmer
Cecelia David	Hideko Miller	Ed Williams
Phyllis Davis	Mark Miller	Steve Wolford
Jose Díaz	Maria Sol Montel	Rita Leona Zalewski
Margaret Donovan	Jerry Moon	Philomena Zito
Richard Donovan	Mimi Moon	Don Zalewski



Traditionally people make resolutions to improve themselves at the beginning of the year. In marriage, since you are united in love, what improves one spouse also improves the other. What marriage building practice do you want to start or continue during 2022?

Tradicionalmente, la gente hace resoluciones para superarse a principios de año. En el matrimonio, como están unidos por amor, lo que mejora a un cónyuge también mejora al otro. ¿Qué práctica de construcción matrimonial desea comenzar o continuar durante 2022?



Living as a Catholic Family in the Christmas Season

Visit Loyola Press Website to get some great ideas to help your home and family in whatever form it may be grow stronger in your faith with simple activities, prayers and talks.

Visite el sitio web de Loyola Press para obtener algunas ideas geniales para ayudar a su hogar y a su familia, en cualquier forma, a fortalecer su fe con actividades sencillas, oraciones y charlas.



200 Years of the Catholic Church in Fayetteville NC

Saint Patrick celebrated its 200 Anniversary of being the first catholic church established in North Carolina on August 6, 2021.



Scan the QR code to watch the video of the Mass of Thanksgiving and Celebration of the Bicentennial of Saint Patrick Catholic Church for those that were unable to attend and for those that want to view it again.

4 Scan the QR code to watch the video of the History of our church.



St. Camillus Ministry to the homebound



Do you know our parish visit those that are homebound parishioners and nursing home residents weekly? It takes many people to make this ministry the great gift that it is to so many. Is God calling you to visit the

homebound or those in a care facility?

You can be comfort to those who are unable to worship with us at Mass by becoming involved in the St. Camillus Ministry. Contact Beth O'Leary for more information at (910) 323-2410 x 133 or betho@stpatnc.org.

¿Sabe que nuestra parroquia visita semanalmente a aquellos que son feligreses confinados en sus hogares y residentes de hogares de ancianos? Se necesitan muchas personas para hacer de este ministerio el gran regalo que es para tantos. ¿Te está llamando Dios a visitar a los confinados en casa o a los que están en un centro de atención?

Puede ser un consuelo para aquellos que no pueden adorar con nosotros en la Misa al participar en el Ministerio de San Camilo. Comuníquese con Beth O'Leary para obtener más información al (910) 323-2410 x 133 o betho@stpatnc.org.

Rosary for Peace

January 1, 2022

following the 10:00 Mass

In 2002 the Bishops of the United States designated January 1 as a national day of Prayer for Peace. For 20 years we have observed this day at Saint Patrick by coming together to pray the Rosary for Peace, a Scriptural Rosary written by the U. S. Bishops for this occasion.

January 1 is a Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

THE FAMILY DINNER PROJECT

Food, fun and conversation about things that matter. Visit this website to help your family grow closer together. It's not just for the holidays, it's for a lifetime of memories and meaningful family life. Look at the 31 days of fun family activities for the holiday season listed on their home page at <https://thefamilydinnerproject.org>.

Comida, diversión y conversación sobre cosas importantes. Visite este sitio web para ayudar a su familia a acercarse más. No es solo para las vacaciones, es para toda una vida de recuerdos y una vida familiar significativa. Mire los 31 días de actividades familiares divertidas para la temporada navideña que figuran en su página de inicio en <https://thefamilydinnerproject.org>.





High School Student Ministry

Planting the Seeds of Faith
by Teaching the Gospel of Jesus

Life Meeting Does Not Meet January 2. Holiday Break!!

Don't just celebrate the birth of Jesus,
live like Jesus means everything to you!

Prepare the Way of the Lord! This Baby Changes Everything!

and Everyone. Yes, even YOU!
meet Him and know that He wants to make your
life even greater than your expectations
The way to know Him is simple. Open your
heart to Him. Make Him welcome in your life.



Just because HSM is off you should not be taking
time away from Jesus. **NEVER DO THAT!!**

Plan to be with Jesus at Mass and in Prayer

January 2 – Sunday Mass but NO Life Meeting

January 9 – Sunday Mass and Life Meeting

January 14 & 15 – High School Retreat

REQUIRED for all Confirmation teens

January 16 – Sunday Mass but NO Life Meeting

January 23 – Sunday Mass and Life Meeting

January 23 – Sunday Mass and Life Meeting

WE WILL SEE YOU ON JANUARY 9!!

**We getting an AWESOME New Year
ready for YOU to know Jesus**

hsm@stpatnc.org

323-2410 x108

Rosary after 10AM Mass

Lead by the Legion of Mary
from Saint Patrick
Please come and partake in
more graces.
To Jeus through Mary!



Dirigido por la Legión de María de San Patricio.
Venga y participe de más gracias.
Lleguemos a Jesús por medio de María!

SACRAMENTS



Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office at (910) 323-2410 during business hours. In the event of LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES those needing the Anointing of the Sick after regular office hours or weekends, please call (910) 303-1948.

Who may receive the Sacrament of Anointing?

Any baptized Catholic who is seriously ill due to sickness, injury or old age—even though there is no apparent danger of death. The elderly who are in a weakened condition are also encouraged by the Church to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. The sacrament should be received when the sick person is best able to profit from it, and not be delayed until the person is at the point of death. One should also received it before a serious operation. For questions and for more information, please contact Beth O'Leary at 910-323-2410 x133.

Baptism

For children up to grade 7, contact Carlos Cortes x 106. For children in grades 8 and above and for adults who wish to be baptized, see the RCIA section below.

First Holy Communion

For children up to grade 7, contact Carlos Cortes x 106. For children in grades 8 and above and for adults who wish to receive First Holy Communion, see the RCIA section below.

First Reconciliation

For children up to grade 7, contact Carlos Cortes x 106. For children in grades 8 and above and adults, see RCIA sections below.

Funerals

Contact Anne Rogers x 113 or a priest at the parish office at (910) 323-2410.

Confirmation

Contact Dcn. Vince x108 for information for youth and adult Confirmation.

Marriage

For marriages and validations for those married outside the Catholic Church, contact Beth O'Leary x133

RCIA

Are you Catholic and Missing a Sacrament (Confirmation, Eucharist)? Or are you interested in becoming Catholic, but don't know where to start?

Contact, Dcn Vince Mescall x108 or Inés Benarroch x 111

Reconciliation

Celebrated every Wednesday 5-6:30 PM & Saturday 3-4:30PM or by appointment by calling the parish office.

Hablamos español— puedes llamar a la oficina parroquial.

Together We Can—Make a Difference

We collected 545 items on December 19
Thank you for helping! Keep up the good work.
Visit www.catholiccharitiesraleigh.org for more
information about how to help

Juntos Podemos—Hacer la diferencia

Recolectamos 545 artículos el 19 de diciembre.
¡Gracias! Sigamos con el buen trabajo.
Visita la página www.catholiccharities.org para más
información en cómo ayudar.



Monthly Offertory

Needed Monthly	November 2021 Actual
\$120,611.25	\$107,873.43

Fiscal Year to Date

Needed for 5 Months	Actual for 5 Months	% Over (+) or Under (-)
\$603,056.25	\$549,744.99	-8.4%

Payment Method	October 2021
Cash and Checks	\$58,777.63
Electronic payments	\$49,095.80
Total	\$107,873.43

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Are you interested in investing in the future of our Parish? A bequest in your will could provide for enhanced and expanded ministries for God's people. Please call the church office, if you would like more information on how to donate.

Our church is already paid! But that doesn't mean that it will not need regular maintenance and repairs. You will now be receiving an envelope designated for maintenance and repairs in your monthly envelopes.

**Thank you for supporting
Saint Patrick Church!**

Epiphany: We See in Our Lives of Stewardship

**We allow Christ to share his love with us.
Then we reflect that love out to others.**



Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of our Lord. The Gospel account of the three magi traveling to meet baby Jesus is one that we know well. Yet, when we pause to reflect on this moment when these men met Christ for the first time, we recognize that there is much to be said for us still today.

When the three wisemen entered the house, "they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage." Clearly these men knew that they were in the presence of their King. They also came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which symbolize Christ's kingship, divinity and humanity.

Christ is still manifesting Himself to us today. We enter God's house weekly, and are in His presence. When we meet Him, do we offer Him our gifts; our time, our talent and our treasure? As Christian Stewards, we are called to respond to all that God has given with love, reverence and gratitude.

Let us prepare our hearts to receive many manifestations Christ in our lives. We just need a grateful disposition to receive them.

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Hope, Peace, Joy and Love become part of our life when we prepare the way for Jesus to enter our hearts every day and we thrive on His presence.

Saint of the Week
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Feast Day 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 of "saint."

The Advent Giving Tree

Thank you to all who so generously donated gifts for the Advent Giving Tree. With your generosity, 30 local families were able to enjoy the holiday season with 579 gifts being donated.

In addition, approximately 800 toys were sent to Louisiana to help the people effected by the hurricane.

Thanks also to the 50+ J.O.Y. Ministry for organizing this event.

**Make 2022
 YOUR YEAR!**

**SAINT PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH
 NURSERY NEWS**

Dear Parents,
 We decided that we are closing the Parents Morning Out program. Nursery is available during all Sunday 8AM, 10 AM & 12:30 Mass (Spanish)
 Myong Seifert (910) 323-2410 EXT 115,
myongs@stpatnc.org
 Volunteer Opportunities available!



Estimados padres,
 Hemos decidido cerrar el programa de Parents Morning Out. La guardería estará en servicio todos los domingos para la Misa de 8 AM, 10 AM and 12:30 (español).
 Myong Seifert (910) 323-2410 EXT 115,
myongs@stpatnc.org
 ¡Oportunidades de voluntariado disponibles!

**Christmas Flowers
 And Decorations**

Have you noticed how the cost of everything seems to be going up right now? The same is likely to be true for the cost of poinsettias and Christmas trees this year. We are fortunate to have a truly beautiful church building but to be able to dress her in her Christmas finery, we need to purchase over 50 poinsettias and about a dozen Christmas trees. Are you able to consider a donation towards the cost these seasonal decorations? Donations can be made in memory of deceased loved ones or in honor of (remembering in prayer) someone who is living. All donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin after the Christmas season has ended. **Please complete the following and place this information and your donation in an envelope marked "Church Flowers."** Thank you in advance for your generosity in making our place of worship beautiful in the months to come.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____



Media Deadline: Submit information for the bulletin, TVs in the gathering space, projector screens in the Church , Twitter, myParish App, chair announcements by the priests, and website all to one email address: media@stpatnc.org

Regular deadline of 8 days prior to weekend publication.

Schedule subject to change. Visit our website for updates. Email coordinator for more information.

				Readings for this week
Sunday	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:30 PM 2:00 PM	Mass(†Lloyd Go) Mass († Mark Allen Bond) Mass (For the People of Saint Patrick) HSM Life Meeting	Church Sanctuary Church Sanctuary https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bMMT2JTZG08 Church Sanctuary Kennedy Social Hall	IS 60:1-6 PS72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13 EPH3:2-3a,5-6 MT2:1-12
Monday	9:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Daily Mass († Cesar & Elizabeth Pascual) Pack 787 Cub Scouts Charismatic Prayer Group	All Saints Chapel Kennedy Social Hall Saint Brigid Hall	1JN3:22-4:6 PS2:7bc-8,10-12a MT4:12-17,23-25
Tuesday	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Daily Mass (♥ Gia Lac Vo Nguyen) Bible Study Adult Education Class Boys Scouts Troop 787	All Saints Chapel Family Life Room—Gym Holy Family Room Gym Family Room	1JN4:7-10 PS72:1-2,3-4,7-8 MK:34-44
Wednesday	9:00 AM 5:00 PM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM	Mass († Conchetta Scotto) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Reconciliation Family Formation	All Saints Chapel All Saints Chapel Holy Family Room Church Sanctuary	1JN4:11-18 PS72:1-2,10,12-13 MK6:45-52
Thursday	9:00 AM 3:30 PM 5:30 PM 7:00 PM	Daily Mass († Mary Czerwinsky) Bell Rehearsals Legion of Mary Village Group AA Meeting	Church Nave and Sanctuary Church Sanctuary Gym Conference Room Holy Family Room	1JN4:19-5:4 PS72:1-2,14&15bc,17 LK4:14-22
Friday	9:00 AM 4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Daily Mass († Carmine D'Maro) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Junior Legion of Mary	All Saints Chapel All Saints Chapel Gym Conference Room	1JN5:5-13 PS147:12-15,19-20 LK5:12-16
Saturday	10:00 AM 3:00 PM 5:00 PM	Mary Mother of God Mass († Debra Fedele Longo) Reconciliation Mass (♥ Pascual & Poindexter Family)	Church Nave and Sanctuary Church Nave and Sanctuary Church Nave and Sanctuary	1JN5:14-21 PS149:1-6a&9b JN3:22-30
Sunday	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 10:45 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM 2:00 PM	Mass For the People of Saint Patrick Mass († David Brinley) RICA Preparación Sacramental en Español Seekers Inquiry Mass HSM Life Meeting	Church Nave and Sanctuary Church Sanctuary https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bMMT2JTZG08 Gym Conference Room Holy Family Room Church Sanctuary Kennedy Social Hall	IS42:1-4,6-7 PS29:1-4,9-10 ACTS10:34-38 LK3:15-16,21-22



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



Family Faith Formation

Topic: The Sacrament of Matrimony
Tópico: El Sacramento del Matrimonio

- Our next Family church session is *Wednesday January 5, 2022* from 6 to 8 PM at Church & Saint Brigid Hall
- La próxima sesión familiar en la iglesia será el *miércoles, 5 de enero de 2022*
- Parents & children learning together
- Padres y niños aprenderán juntos
- Pre-K/K in Fr. John R. Kelly Gym
- Pre-K/K en el gimnasio Fr. John Kelly



6 & 7 Grade Students

We meet in Fr. Kelly's Gym,
6:00 to 7:30 PM

Wednesdays that we do not
meet as a family.



Next session is January 12
Topic: What does it mean to be human?
Parents are welcome to stay.



Next Baptism Preparation Class
Sunday January 23 at 2:00 PM
in the Holy Family Room.
**By appointment only

**Próxima Clase de Preparación
Bautismal**
Domingo 23 de enero
a las 2:00 PM
en el salón Santa Brígida.
**Sólo por cita

One Minute Catechism

†

J.M.J.

What is the Epiphany?

Epiphany means manifestation and is when God the Son became a human being inside of Mother Mary's womb.

The Magi, who came from a far land, answered the call from heaven to honor Jesus, the newborn King and Messiah. God manifested to them that His plan of salvation was not only for the Jews, but to all the world.

The feast is traditionally celebrated on January 6, but this year we celebrate it on January 2.

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Holy Savior Parish

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