

**Saint Christina Parish of Turner County
PO Box 610 Parker, South Dakota 57053**

Sunday, January 2, 2022

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Merry Christmas! One of the best parts of our Catholic liturgical calendar is that Christmas is a whole season, not just a day. We still get to celebrate Christmas for another week! I want to thank everyone who helped decorate our church to make it so beautiful for this Christmas season. I also want to thank all those who are so faithful every week making sure we can worship God well. This includes our musicians, liturgical ministers, ushers, and those who keep our Church clean. Our parish is truly a place where we can lift our hearts and minds to God in prayer.

Also, Happy New Year! 2022 is upon us and with it comes the opportunity to engage with an exciting process in the Catholic Church initiated by Pope Francis. A few months ago, I mentioned that Pope Francis has asked for a world-wide synod (gathering of people). He desires to hear from as many people in the world as possible. To accomplish this, he has asked every diocese to receive feedback from the men and women who make up that local Church. To put that in perspective, there are nearly 3000 diocese in the world. This gathering of input from 3000 diocese is actually the largest single survey of human beings in world history. You all will have the opportunity to participate in this process in the Diocese of Sioux Falls in the weeks ahead. But for now, Pope Francis and Bishop DeGrood are asking for our prayers. The desire for this synod is that it would be a powerful experience of the Holy Spirit at work in the Church. For all of us to be faithful to the prompting of the Holy Spirit, we need to pray that he would inspire this synodal process.

Here is the official prayer for the synod. I would invite you all to pray it in the months ahead.

Prayer for the Synod

***We stand before You, Holy Spirit
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partially influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together in eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen***

Fr. Tyler

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WEEKLY MASSES—— St. Christina

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 2nd
“THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD”**

**Holy Mass: 11:00AM
First Graders: Kings & Angels**

**++Tuesday, January 4th:
Confessions 5:00PM
Holy Mass 6:00PM
Int: +Special Intentions**

**++Thursday, January 6th:
Holy Mass 8:00AM
Int: +Ronald Gross**

**Sunday, January 9th : Mass 11:00AM
“Baptism of the Lord”**

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Epiphany of the Lord

Bud Ozar

After meeting Jesus, the Magi returned home by
“another way.” What in your family needs to be done
“another way?” Do you need “another way” to resolve
differences, to communicate or show affection? This is
a new year, time to change what isn’t working. Take a
tip from some wise men, there’s always “another way.”

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“Christmas Masses”

St. Christina Church Support: Deposited
Monday, December 27th, 2021:

31 Env. Reg. Giving \$1607.00; Loose Giving \$192.00;
Candles \$5.00; 1 Env. Fuel Fund \$100.00.
Thank You for your Generous Treasure.

St. Christina Church Support: Deposited
Monday, December 27th, 2021:

39 Env. Reg. Giving \$2340.00; Loose Giving \$53.00;
Candles \$110.00; Pledge Payment \$65.00;
3 Env. Fuel Fund \$300.00.
Thank You for your Generous Treasure.

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Announcement:

If you are the last person to leave through the
Religious Education Bldg. “Glass Doors” please make
sure they are latched; push on the doors from the out-
side. One morning this week a door was found ajar
and with our SD wind that would not be good.

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Please pick up your 2022 Envelopes

**If you know of some one that has
not been here, could you take theirs.**