

The Solemnity Of The Epiphany Of The Lord

January 3, 2021

Mass Intentions

January	4	8:00 AM	NO MASS
January	5	8:00 AM	Joseph Oltheten, Sr. requested by Frank & Alice Vilk
January	6	8:00 AM	Eileen McCullough requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris
January	7	8:00 AM	Russel Montrose requested by The Harshberger Family
January	8	8:00 AM	Mary Requena requested by John & Mary Blair
January	9	5:00 PM	Sara Baer requested by Reid & Judy Wilson
January	10	8:00 AM	People Of The Parish
		10:30 AM	Edward Dauksha requested by Joe & Judy Rich

Liturgical Ministries January 9-10

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Pat Pray	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Bill Davies	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.

Schmidt Center Cleaning

January 10

The Rickard Family

January 17

Madeline Rogers, Pat Harshberger, Gabby Brandt

Next Sunday's Readings

Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2: 1-12

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$ 4,810.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$5,068.60

The Christmas Collection amounted to: \$5,887.00

The Parish Contingency Collection for December amounted to: \$1,815.00

May God Bless you for your generous and responsible stewardship!!!

Church Calendar

Sunday, January 3rd (Epiphany of the Lord)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

No CCD

Monday, January 4th

No Mass

Tuesday, January 5th

Mass, 8:00AM

RCIA, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, January 6th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, January 7th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, January 8th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, January 9th

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, January 10th (Baptism of the Lord)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

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AT SEEING THE STAR...
LET US ALWAYS FOLLOW
THE LIGHT OF FAITH
AND SO DISCOVER
THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST
IN OUR LIFE!

From the Pastor's Desk

According to the Epiphany story, the Wise Men followed a bright star to discover the presence of the God made Man. Their long journey was rewarded when they found what



they were searching for in the newborn King. It is important to ask yourself what 'star' you follow in your own life. You may discover that too often the star is not Jesus. My experience tells me that His way of dying to self, of letting

go of everything unworthy of God, is the right way to walk. But we sometimes find it easier to

revert to following our own whims and supposed self-interests. In leading a life of faithful discipleship, how important it is to keep the real 'star' of life before our eyes! God has now revealed Himself to us in His Son. This infant is the Lord of Glory, who holds time and space in His fingertips. "Come, let us follow Him!"

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Dennis Haag, Rose LaVia, Bill Sharman, Elsie Seagrist, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Mark Whitmoyer, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Nancy Stanton, Diana Prowell, Crystal Groff, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

Deacon Robinson's Contact Information: You may contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (717-602-6298) or through his email: dcnrobin@ptd.net.

On Line Bulletin: www.stbernardsnbpa.org

Prayer Group meets each Wednesday morning at 8:30AM in church. If you have prayer intentions for your loved ones or family members, for sick co-workers or people in the community, please give them to Marie Dishman for prayer and spiritual support!

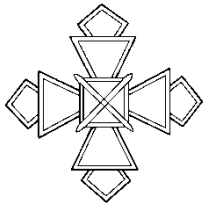
Hospitality Apostolate: This group would like to offer meals to parishioners just released from the hospital, new mothers, and shut-ins who need temporary care. If you can use their services or know someone who can, please contact Crystal Groff (tcgroff94@yahoo.com/717-385-1747) or Phyllis Krieger (kriegerkrew@aol.com/717-834-9433).

Mark your Calendars now for the Annual March for Life: The 46th March for Life is scheduled for Friday, January 29, 2021 in Washington, DC. This year the Knights of Columbus' Council 11805 is sponsoring a 56 seat bus to the Nation's Capital for this important event to champion the cause of the unborn. Adults are asked for a donation of \$20 for a seat and youth under 17 years old are \$10. The bus will leave from Saint Bernard's parking lot at 7:45AM. Morning Mass will be celebrated at 7:15AM on January 29th.

Please sign up now at the bulletin board to reserve your seat on the bus.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, January 11th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. If you have a recommendation or commendations you would like to share with the Council, please call Bill Davies, Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Epiphany Home Blessings are available in the narthex. These blessings are affixed to the top of your front door after asking God to bless your home in the New Year so you may welcome all guests as if they were Christ. May all visitors find in your home



the warmth and friendship characteristic of Christian homes! This tradition started in Germany where children at each house would paint the letters "20+C+M+B+16" above the door frame which are for the Latin *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* (Christ bless this house). At the same time the letters are the first letters of the names of the wise men: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar.

Are you a star gazer? Where are you seeking your guidance? Is it in the horoscope section of the paper? Perhaps you go to your counselor every week? Or maybe it's the bartender at the lounge where you stop after work. Matthew 2: 1-12



tells the story of three men who followed their star. When they saw the star, they dropped everything and followed it. As a result, they found the place at the manger of Jesus they had been seeking all their lives, and returned home with new hearts. God gives each of us a "star" as well, if only we can recognize it. This week, this year, step back from the false guides around you and see His star clearly once more. In its shining light of Love, we can find the contentment we've been seeking.

Thank you fellow Parishioners: The Parish is indebted to the many parishioners who helped clean and decorate the Church for the Christmas

holidays. We do not often think about the work and hours that must be expended to make our parish home the beautiful place it is. May God bless and reward them for all they do for our parish family!

Eucharistic Reflection: "The Church in the course of centuries has introduced various forms of the Blessed Sacrament publicly exposed. To be stressed is that this is not a merely passing devotional practice. It is founded on divinely revealed truth." "This practice of adoration is based on strong and solid reasons. For the Eucharist is at once a sacrifice and a sacrament; but It differs from the other sacraments in that they only produce grace, but the Holy Eucharist contains in a permanent manner the Author of Grace Himself." (Venerable Pope Pius XII)



Be Considerate of Others: In consideration of parishioners listening to the readings from Sacred Scripture or to the homily, or if people are kneeling during the consecration of the Mass, please wait until the congregation stands to seat yourself. Walking down the aisle while everyone is seated and listening is very distracting. You may arrive late for Mass or leave early, so please take or leave your seat only when the congregation is standing. This will help eliminate distractions during Mass for parishioners and the celebrant.

Pro Life: A new year brings thoughts of new life. What better place to start than at the beginning – with the human embryo? "Embryonic human beings, no less than human beings at the other development stages, should be treated as subjects of moral respect and human rights, not as objects that may be damaged or destroyed for the benefit of others." Let us continue to pray for those who cannot see the preciousness of each God-given life and work in this New Year to protect all life from conception to natural death.

