

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 3, 2021



Mass Intentions this Week:

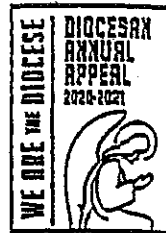
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| Tue | 5 | 6:00 p.m. | +Laverne Blazel (SL) |
| Wed | 6 | 8:45 a.m. | +John Roseno
By Yvonne & Family |
| Thu | 7 | 7:00 a.m. | ++D & T Guralski (SL) |
| Fri | 8 | 7:00 a.m. | ++T & J McHugh (SL) |
| | | 8:45 a.m. | +Grandma & Grandpa C
And Candy
By Chris & Karen Milkey |
| Sat | 9 | 4:00 p.m. | +Cece Moran
By Dan & Joan Kelnhofer |
| | | 6:00 p.m. | Parishioners (SL) |
| Sun | 10 | 8:30 a.m. | Int of Sister Rebekah Siegler
By Mary & Jim Siegler |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | +Laverne Blazel (SL) |
| | | 5:00 p.m. | Members & Families of
Wood Co Sheriff Dept (SL) |

January 9-10

Lectors: 4:00 Mary Skytland
8:30 Carrie Mancl

Ushers: 4:00 Barb Ziebell – Chris Dachel
8:30 Bill Hamm – Jerry Willfahrt

PRIEST ON CALL TODAY
Fr. Schaller – 715-423-1351
Deanery Mass at St. Lawrence 5:00 Sundays



2020-2021 DIOCESAN DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE: Our parish allocation this year is \$21,875.00, and we have met our target! All money donated now to the DAA will be returned to the parish!!

If you haven't made a pledge yet, Please return your pledge card by mail in the envelope provided. If you have misplaced it, extra pledge forms and envelopes are available in the reading rack. We are so grateful for your generosity. **God Bless!!**

LECTORS NEEDED

We are in need of a few more lectors to cover the weekend and Holy Day Masses. Please prayerfully consider serving your parish as a lector. Call Carrie Mancl at 435-3516.



GENTLY USED CHRISTMAS ITEMS are being accepted for the Christmas stand at the picnic next summer. Please drop them off in Wagner Hall. Thank you.

SOME THOUGHTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Count your blessings instead of your crosses
Count your gains instead of your losses
Count your joys instead of your woes
Count your friends instead of your foes
Count your smiles instead of your tears
Count your courage instead of your fears
Count your full years instead of your lean
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean
Count your health instead of your wealth
Count on God instead of yourself





WE WELCOME to our
St. Philip Parish family...
Reuben Peter Montero,
Son of Jessica & Hugo.
God bless Reuben and his family!!

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS... Diane Koback,
Gen Wix, Janice Haupt,
Patrick Hoffmann, Mary Lou
Glaza, Irene Jakusz, Jim
Wiskerchen



AN INSERT ON THE FEAST OF THE
EPIPHANY AND THE EPIPHANY BLESSING
OF THE HOME IS INCLUDED WITH THE
BULLETIN TODAY. ALSO, A PACKET WITH
THE PRAYER AND CHALK ARE IN THE
BACK OF CHURCH. TAKE TIME TO SHARE
THIS TRADITION WITH YOUR FAMILY.

CHURCH SUPPORT - DEC. 27

Adult Envelopes	-	\$3810.00
Offertory	-	\$ 307.00
Christmas Envelopes	-	\$2725.00
Christmas Offertory	-	\$ 189.52
Religious Retirement	-	\$ 95.00
Gun Raffle Proceeds	-	\$1970.00

\$4,125 is needed each week to cover
our expenses.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!



YOU ARE VERY WELCOME to join
our school family any time. If you
would like to visit our schools and
see what a day in the life of a
Catholic school student entails,
please call the ACS Enrollment

Office at 422-0900 to make a reservation.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK will be celebrated
January 31-February 5. Please join us in our
excitement and spread the word about what a great
school we have here. Invite another family to
experience what goes on in our schools.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!!
We welcome new parishioners and
invite them to register at the parish
office - 435-3286. When moving in or
out of the parish, please notify the
office.

MEN'S GROUP will meet in the Welcome
Center on Tuesday, January 5, 7:00 p.m.



It's time that we recognize the
Supreme Court is not the
Supreme Being, and we need to
change the policy to be prolife and
protect children instead of selling
their body parts like they're parts
of an auto. There will be no peace
on earth until abortion is a thing
of the past.



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St. Philip's Parish - November, 2020

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Disbursements</u>		<u>Parish</u>	<u>Rel Educ.</u>	<u>Disbursements - Parish</u>	
Adult Envelopes	\$12,273.08	Parish Payroll		\$ 3,780.85	936.48	Disbursements- Rel Educ	\$ 8,991.44
Offertory	734.25	Insurance & Retirement		679.00		Total	\$ 18,272.57
Donations	4,529.78	Office Expenses		268.17			
Aluminum Cans	8.70	Liturgical Expenses		804.08		Balance - October 31	\$ 26,160.52
Rent-Hall/Grotto	250.00	Janitorial Supplies		20.89		Receipts	\$ 19,083.85
SCRIP	38.50	Repairs & Maintenance		42.00			\$ 45,244.37
Votive Candles	69.50	Utility Expenses		679.70	109.38		
CCD/Confirmation	75.00	Diocesan Annual Appeal		300.00		Disbursements	\$ 18,272.57
Charitable Collections	234.00	Assumption Schools			7,945.58	Balance - November 30	\$ 26,971.80
St. Lawrence Reimbursement	250.00	Charitable Donations		804.00			
Grotto Payroll Reimbursement	621.04	St. Lawrence Utility/Phone		1,902.44			
Total	\$19,083.85	Total		\$9,281.13	\$8,991.44		

The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

Epiphany means “manifestation.” The first Epiphany was the visit of the Magi to adore the Christ Child. The Magi, who were actually scholars and scientists, came to be associated with kings. Their gifts reveal this holy Child’s identity; *gold* for Christ’s Kingship, *incense* for His divinity, and *myrrh* for His sacrifice on the Cross.

The Feast of Epiphany is traditionally celebrated as the *twelfth night of Christmas*, on January 6th. In the United States, this feast has been moved to the Sunday, January 3, 2021. In many families, the king figurines are moved a bit closer to the nativity scene every day from Christmas Day until Epiphany. Moreover, it is traditional for parish priests to bless water, chalk, and incense on the eve of Epiphany, and use them for the blessing of homes the next day.

The blessing of homes (schools, places of employment, etc.) on Epiphany revives the beautiful custom of making our homes sacramentals. Sacramentals make us more mindful, receptive and cooperative with God’s grace. This blessing also reminds us that Christ is the One Who enlightens our hearts and homes with His love. He is the source of our hope, our comfort and our joy.

Marking doorways with blessed chalk is also a witness of faith. Use the chalk to mark above the main door and, if possible, over all exterior doors in the following fashion:

- Numerals to consecrate the New Year.
- Initials to remind us of the legendary names of the Magi—Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar—and also to represent the Latin motto: *Christus mansionem benedicit* (May Christ bless this house)
- Four crosses to represent the four seasons.
- Example for the year 2021: 20 + C + M + B + 21

Epiphany Blessing of the Home

If a priest is present, he leads; otherwise, the head of the family is the leader.

All present go from room to room, blessing each room with holy water and praying the following prayer:

Blessed be all the rooms of this home. May each of them be holy and filled with the spirit of *happiness* and *peace*, *love* and *affection*. May the spirit of *pardon* and *affection* reside with us and be always ready to heal our divisions. May the spirits of *joy* and *laughter*, *hope* and *faith*, *playfulness* and *prayer*, *compassion* and *love* be perpetual guests in our home. May God’s holy blessing rest upon us all, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

As the leader inscribes the initials of the three Magi above the exterior doorways using the blessed chalk, the following prayer is prayed:

Inscription for the year 2021: 20 + C + M + B + 21

Blessed be this doorway. May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us as we welcome them with *respect* and *kindness*. May all our comings and goings be under the seal of God’s loving care. May we *seek* and *serve*, in everyone we meet, Jesus, Who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

