

Epiphany OF THE LORD



STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

SATURDAY, 1/5 - VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

4:00pm † Theresa Somers
Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 1/6 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

9:00am † Christian Goudiaby
Rosary at 8:15am

SATURDAY, 1/12 - VIGIL OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

4:00pm † Cornelia Bina
Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 1/13 - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

9:00am † Jeffry Spyhalski
Rosary at 8:15am

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." How strange to journey so far for perhaps so little. Of course the magi go to the capitol city. Of course they entreat with King Herod. Of course this is where they expect newborn royalty to be. But where is the child? "In Bethlehem of Judea," the scribes say. And so the magi go on to what is yet another Christmas miracle.



We don't know where the magi met the Christ Child, but it cannot have been lavish. Perhaps it was the stable. Perhaps it was a small hovel Joseph had found to wait out the census. But it would have been the home of a laborer, worn and threadbare. Here, in this unassuming abode, the magi are still "overjoyed...they prostrated themselves and did him homage."

Have you ever gotten to the end of a great work and found the results to be underwhelming? How did you respond? Were you disappointed or elated at God's providence and your upended expectations? The magi journeyed hundreds of miles over treacherous terrain to pay homage to royalty they have seen prophesied in the stars. They encountered an ordinary family displaced from their home. This Sunday, the magi are an example for us. Can we see God in the unexpected? Do we encounter Him in the person who doesn't fit our expectations of propriety? Do we revere Christ's presence in the poor? Or do we expect to meet God only in places of honor and esteem? This week, ask God for the grace to honor Him in the unexpected places and unassuming people. He is waiting for you!

Liturgical Publications

We, the Parishioners of Blessed Savior express our sympathy to the families of Mary Lou Neuzil, mother and mother-in-law of Linda & Paul Bina (Pastoral Council)



Helen Hauser, mother of JoEllen & Fernando Christians, stepmother of Katie Troyer, (Choir)

May they find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in heaven and may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

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The song "We Three Kings" details the gifts of the Magi, but do you know what you're singing? "Born a king on Bethlehem's plan, gold I bring to crown Him again." This one is the most straightforward - gold symbolizes the Kingship of Christ. "Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom." Myrrh is an embalming spice. Already at Christ's birth, we have the symbolic reminder of his death. "Frankincense to offer have I. Incense owns a deity nigh." In many religious traditions, incense symbolizes prayers rising to heaven. In some pagan traditions, it is thought to help "call down" the deity. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.



Liturgical Publications

REFLECTIONS:

This feast with its star and the arrival of the Magi reminds us that God has a plan that is worked out in time (whether Biblical time or the time of our own lives).



Proclaimers of the Word handbook

Would you like to put your faith into action and practice the Corporal Works of Mercy? Join members of both Blessed Savior and St. Margaret Mary for our next dual parish community service day on Saturday, January 19 from 10:30AM-2:30PM. We will be helping and visiting with elderly residents of St. Anne's. Activities will include helping take down Christmas decorations, visiting, and playing bingo. Contact Faith

Formation Director Dave Liccione at [414-573-9292](tel:414-573-9292) dliccione@stmp.org to learn more.



2018 Statement Distribution

In order to eliminate some of the postage costs, the Finance Council and Pastoral Council will be handing out the 2018 Contribution Statements after all the Masses on the weekends of January 19 & 20 and 26 & 27. Please pick them up in the main hallway on Villard Ave. Because of the sensitivity of this information, you cannot pick up any other person's statement. If you have any questions or concerns, you can call me @ [464-5033 ext. 20](tel:414-573-9292).

Thank you for your cooperation,
John Henry, Finance Director



St. Anne's Salvatorian Campus is excited to announce our New Memory Assessment Center in conjunction with the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Institute (WAI). We are offering a free presentation for the public on Saturday, January 12th from 11am to noon in our Gathering Room. Dr. Pam McMurray, neuropsychologist for the center will present an overview of our new Senior Memory Assessment Center. RSVPs are appreciated. Please call 414-353-0034 or email Lrichardson@stannescampus.org We would also like to make know that we have apartments in our enhanced assisted living for immediate occupancy which is not always the case. Interested individuals may contact Lisa Richardson at 353-0034.

FRIDAY FISH FRY—Friday, January 11 4pm-7m St. Agnes in Butler \$9.00 - includes breaded cod, cole slaw, rye bread, and your choice of homemade shredded onions, potato pancakes or fries.



2,668.5 VOLUNTEER HOURS were completed by our parishioners from October 1 through December 30.



A message from your bulletin editor: Some days you exercise and eat salad, some days you eat cupcakes and don't leave the couch. It's called balance.



MINISTRY TO THE SICK — Please pray for the following parishioners and others with health problems and for all those in nursing homes and those with continuing health concerns:

Diane Henry, Mary Ann & Charles Janke,
Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Ginny & Donald Naegle,
Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss,
Joe & Joan Trinkl, Mary Frances Williams

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain.

If you wish to add someone to the prayer list with their permission, please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033. **The name will remain on the list for 4 weeks and if you wish to have it on longer please call the parish office.**

Please remember to pray for all the intentions in the book of "Joys and Concerns" and all those who have written them.

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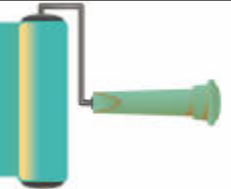
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