

Epiphany of Our Lord



Scripture Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6;
Psalm 72:1-13;

Ephesians 3: 2-6; Matthew 2:1-12

“...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”

(MATTHEW 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ’s wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

Liturgical Assignments – January 8/9	
	Lector
4:30 p.m.	Ashley Kountz
9:00 a.m.	Shane McDonald
	Altar Servers
4:30 p.m.	Kohen Sumpter/ Jude Stewart
9:00 a.m.	Matthew & David Aberer
Weekday	School Servers
Money Counters	
Mary Jo Marek / Carol Hunt	
Sacrificial Offerings to God – December 25/26	
Envelopes	16,202.80
Plate	1,457.70
Votives	41.00
Repair/Utility Fund	1,461.71
Misc.	300.00
TOTAL	\$19,463.21
Average Weekly Offertory Needed	\$14,360.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend the second collection will be taken up for the **repair/utility fund**.

Christmas Memorials

Jesse Chavez, Sr. by Craig & Frances Wahlert

Happy Birthday to Father Totton – January 4th!

I would like to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for all the Christmas cards, letters, sweets and gifts I have received from so many parishioners during this season. May God bless you for your kindness. Peace.

Fr. Totton

The Sunday 7 am Mass is now a part of our schedule. We are looking for lectors willing to be on the regular schedule for the 7 am Mass. Please email or call Faith Girard if you can help.

Coram Deo is a Eucharistic-centered Catholic group which exists to meet the needs of young adults in the St. Joseph area and to provide opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. *Coram Deo* is meeting on **Friday, January 7th**, for **First Fridays!** Meet at the Mir House of Prayer at **6:10pm** for Adoration + Reconciliation, followed by Mass at 7pm. All young adults aged 22-35 are invited to attend. We hope to see you there! Questions? Please contact Ally Goetz at goetz.ally@gmail.com.

The St. Monica Club will meet at 7:10 pm in Our Lady of Guadalupe Church the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month to pray a Rosary for those away from the Catholic Faith. All are welcome to pray for the prodigals we love. **Text @saintmclub to 81010** to receive reminders.

Memorial Bench for Father Sturm

St. James Parish and our Legion of Mary are collecting donations for a Memorial Bench (to be placed in St. Columba Cemetery, Conception, MO) for our beloved and missed Father Sturm. If you would like more information or want to make a donation, please contact Debbie Strahm at 816-244-0745.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JAMES

Sunday, January 2	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9 am RCIA – 10:05 am – C. Erk Rm Altar Society Sunday Monthly meeting - 10 to 11 am Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am
Monday	Confessions – 7:30 am Legion of Mary – 8:30 am, C. Erk Rm Knights of Columbus Mtg. – 7 pm, C. Erk Rm
Tuesday	Confessions – 7:30 am Holy Hour/Confessions - 6 pm
Wednesday	Confessions – 7:30 am Bible Study/Catechism – Vatican II 6:30 pm, Casper Erk Rm <i>Study materials provided</i>
Thursday	Confessions – 7:30 am Latin Mass- 7 pm
Friday	Confessions – 7:30 am Parish Office Closed
Saturday	Confessions – 3:30 pm Mass at 4:30 pm
Sunday, January 9	Mass at 7AM Holy Hour/Confessions – 8 am Mass at 9 am RCIA – 10:05 am – C. Erk Rm CCD - 10:00 am - School Holy Name Sunday Monthly meeting - 8 to 9 am Confessions – 11 am Latin Mass at 11:30 am

The Vatican II Documents

6 Week Study starting WED evenings, JAN 5

We have heard the debates for almost 60 years, but few have actually read the documents themselves. Why read the documents of Vatican II? Because each of those 16 documents are part of the Magisterium of the Church, this beautiful Church that guides us in our Faith. This won't be a deep academic study, but it will certainly give you the tools and thirst to go deeper, as we discover the gift of JOY that the Holy Spirit has given us in Vatican II.

Update on Bishop's Appeal

27 Families at \$6,910.00

44% of \$15,750.00 goal

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsi.org for more information.

The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. "In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth and under the earth" (Phil 2:10). Christ's name is chosen in heaven, and the Angel Gabriel announces it when he informs the Blessed Virgin of the incarnation: "Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus". It is a name that has marvelous implications, for it means "savior." The very name bespeaks the magnitude of His mission, His infinite love, a love that will cause Him to offer Himself up for us. (excerpt from article at catholicculture.org.)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 2

Epiphany of Our Lord

7:00 a.m. – *Margaret Burbach +*

9:00 a.m. – *Pro Populo*

Holy Name of Jesus

11:30 a.m. (Latin)

Robert Kneib +

Monday, January 3

Holy Name of Jesus

8 a.m. – *Rev. Evan Patrick Harkins +*

Tuesday, January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8 a.m. – *Doug Seiter +*

Wednesday, January 5

St. John Neumann, Bishop

8 a.m. – *Daugherty Family*

Thursday, January 6

St. Andre Bessette, Religious

8 a.m. – *Trump Family and Friends*

Epiphany of Our Lord

7 p.m. – (Latin) *Gloria Ann Cundiff +*

Friday, January 7

St. Raymond of Peñafort

8 a.m. – *Richard Beaver +*

Saturday, January 8

Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m. – *Virginia Girard +*

Sunday, January 9

Baptism of Our Lord

7:00 a.m. – *Kristin Hughes +*

9:00 a.m. – *Draga Zuptich +*

Holy Family

11:30 a.m. (Latin)

Pro Populo

(A cross indicates that the Mass intention is for a deceased loved one.)