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SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 2022

THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b

SAVING A
SEAT FOR
YOU

The Epiphany of the Lord

at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 2nd

Will be Live-Streamed at

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THANK YOU!

St. Peter's is so blessed to have the world's greatest bakers as parishioners and I'm grateful that so many parents taught their children that its better to give than to receive! I enjoyed every Christmas cookie and candy that was lovingly shared and for every rich calorie I ate, I pray that your family will also be richly blessed!

I also received a beautiful, healthy, potted Norfolk Island Pine tree for Christmas! I wish I knew who to thank but there was no name attached to the gift. However, I'm hoping the sender is reading this note and knows that I'm loving the tree and appreciate their thoughtfulness. It will be fun watching it grow!

Gratefully,
Father Joe

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. **In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power.**

This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God.

Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.



Catholic Trivia

- 1) Name the very first Catholic University in the United States?
- 2) In the early 1930's, nearly 7,000 Catholic clergy were killed during the "Red Terror." In which country did this happen?
- 3) This Hebrew word means "it is true" or "So be it, truly." What is the word?
- 4) What is the diocese/archdiocese with the most Catholics in the world?
- 5) Who was the first pastor of St. Peter's Church of Spring Grove, Illinois?

(Answers on Page 4)

"Never will anyone who says his rosary every day be led astray. This is a statement that I would gladly sign with my blood."

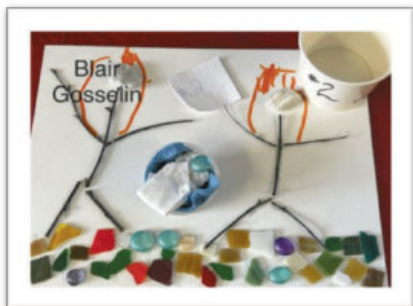
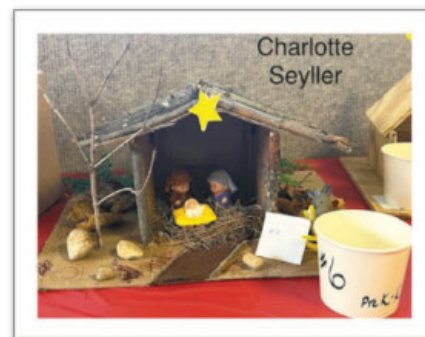
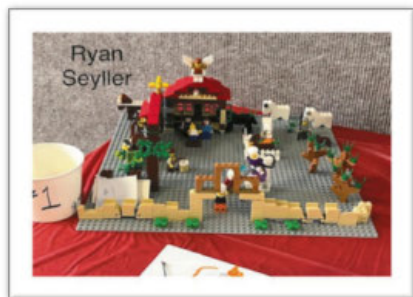
~ St. Louis de Montfort ~



Looking for a healthy New Year's resolution? How about making a commitment to pray all four mysteries of the Rosary with Father Joe, beginning at 6 o'clock every Wednesday evening in the Church. We must change the course of this world back toward God and the greatest weapon we have to get the job done is the Rosary.

The **Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus** was truly a **HUGE success**, thanks in part to Mary and Bob Fritz! They very kindly donated their wreaths from their garden center and donated the proceeds to the St. Peter's Women's Ministry. **The total of all the proceeds was \$1,728!** It was amazing how our parish has supported us through this year! **We are truly grateful! Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make/bring food, setup, clean up, prepare, decorate – everything! We cannot do ANYTHING without the support of our parishioners! We are VERY BLESSED, Thanks to ALL OF YOU!**

Ashley, Nettie, Deb, Lorrie, and Kathie (SPWM Board members)



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\$30 - Five Below Gift Card Winners:
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 Claire Polak



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 Elliott Gosselin
 Charlotte Seyller



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 Blair Gosselin
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 Charlotte Gordon
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 Scottie Fitzgerald



Thank you to all who participated in our First Nativity Contest, we feel it was a **HUGE SUCCESS!**

Thank you to the families that helped our contestants, we appreciate your support!

Congratulations!





Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
January 2nd through January 15th for
† **Geri Stack**

May this light which reminds us of
Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary
Welcome him into eternal peace.



FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF 1/1 - 1/9/2022

The Mass		For	
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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Sat	4 pm	†	Stanley & Genevieve Stack
Sun	7 am	†	Henry Kaht
	9 am	†	Kristin Popelka
	11 am	†	Peter Klapp
Tues	8 am	†	Jack Schmitt
Wed	8 am	†	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thur	8 am	†	Max & Eleanor Olhava
Fri	8 am	†	Donald Brown

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Sat	4 pm		Cheryl Monroe
Sun	7 am	†	Brooke Dziewior
	9 am	†	George Gavin
	11 am	†	Ben & Theresa Poletto

The Epiphany is early this year, falling right on the heels of New Year's Day. ***If we haven't made our New Year's resolutions yet, now is a good time to do so.*** In addition to typical resolutions such as reducing clutter or getting fit, we can set some spiritual goals as well.

The definition of epiphany (lower case) is "a moment in which you suddenly see or understand something in a new or very clear way." As we reflect on today's readings, let us ask the Holy Spirit to provide us an epiphany - into how we can grow closer to Jesus during this year ahead. Just as their encounter with the infant Jesus caused the Magi to be transformed from outsiders to faithful believers, and to take a different route home, our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist is meant to transform all of us, and set us on a new path to light and life.



Catholic Trivia Answers

- 1) Georgetown University, founded in 1789
- 2) Spain
- 3) Amen
- 4) Mexico City
- 5) Rev. Clement Duerr

PRAYER REQUESTS!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into
your hands, all fellow parishioners we know
and love, who are ill or injured
and in need of Your healing touch.
Jesus, be with them all, especially:

Gina Adduci	Mary Link
Anna Boettjer	Caroline Madson
Rita Chinni	Deb & Bob Maliszewski
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Glenn Geske	Betty Rygiel
Lynn Geske	Jacob Shapiro
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Ed Kattner	Bonnie Terry
Ronald Klein	David Thomas
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Ann Kretchmer	Holly Ubrig
Loman Kubista	Daniel Wilesea
Paul Kucia	Robert Witt
Colton Lazzeroni	Paul Wojciechowski
Rich Lecropane	Richard Yager


**The names above will appear on the prayer list
January 1st through March 31st**

If you or a loved one would like to continue to be
on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.
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God Bless Panera and our Women's Ministry!

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD			
Saturday 1/1 4:00 pm	Elaine Brandstetter	Mary Seil	Gary Miller Denise Wahls
Sunday 1/2 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim Shaun Gosselin
9:00 am	Andy Hommowun	Jean Hlavin	Larry Hauser John Jindra
11:00 am	Jerry Bodden	Mike Rygiel	Tom Straley Mike Gordon
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD			
Saturday 1/8 4:00 pm	Alexia Spatz	Heather Justen	Chad Franckowiak Phil Webb
Sunday 1/9 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Bill Ledger	David Smid Scott Hastings
9:00 am	Carrie Shannon	Lori Olmstead	Paul Leali Ben Leali
11:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Jacqui Wold	Andy Hommowun Zach Rygiel
 Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound January 2nd - The Epiphany of the Lord Georgene Keim, Mary Seil, Steve Besetzny & Maria Sullivan January 9th - The Baptism of the Lord Lisa Bilik, Julia Francis, Paul Serio & Kathleen Van Ella			

<i>Readings for the Week</i>	
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2ND	
Sunday:	<u>The Epiphany of the Lord</u> Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	1Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday:	<u>The Baptism of the Lord</u> Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]; Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

The Blessing of the Home on the Feast of the Epiphany

This blessing is generally done by the head of the household with the family together with Chalk Blessed at the Epiphany Liturgy.

With the Blessed Chalk write the following inscription above the entryway door to your home. The letters C, M, B have a double meaning. They are the initials of the wise men. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* which means, "May Christ Bless the House." The + sign represents the cross and the numbers the current year.

Use the Blessed Chalk to inscribe above your door as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 22 While saying:

The three wise men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became man two thousand and twenty-one years ago. May Jesus Bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Let us Pray.

O Blessed Lord, visit our home with gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you. Guide, comfort, and strengthen us in your peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Sprinkle holy water throughout your home.



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Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45 pm a priest is available to give Confessions.

Remember, Jesus always wants us to come to Him! He wants to offer us His inexhaustible, Love and Forgiveness! We just need to Go To Him!

If Saturday's don't work out, contact Father Joe to setup an appointment for a private confession.



Website: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

Email: SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

Office Hours: Tue. - Thu. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,
1:00 - 5:00 pm

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 2nd - The Epiphany of the Lord

- RCIA - Parish Office Upstairs Classroom - 10:00 am
- SVdP Meeting - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm
- *NO Faith Formation Classes*

Monday, January 3rd

- *NO Faith Formation Classes*

Tuesday, January 4th

Wednesday, January 5th

- **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - 6:00 pm**

- Sunday Readings Bible Study - (Zoom Class) - 6:00 pm

(To Join please contact Steve Besetzny at 847-207-6282)

Thursday, January 6th

- Choir Practice - Church - 7:00 pm

Friday, January 7th

Saturday, January 8th

- **Adoration After the 4:00 pm Mass until 6:45 am**

Sunday, January 9th - The Baptism of the Lord

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**

- RCIA - Parish Office Upstairs Classroom - 10:00 am

- SVdP Meeting - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm

- Sacramental Instruction Class - 6:00 pm



Before baptizing a beautiful baby, the priest approached the young Irish father and said solemnly, "Baptism is a serious step. Are you prepared for it?" "I think so," Paddy replied.



"My wife has made appetizers and we have a caterer coming to provide plenty of snacks and cakes for all our guests." "I don't mean that," the priest responded. "I mean, are you prepared spiritually?" "Oh, sure," Paddy says, "I've got a keg of beer and a case of whiskey."

ST. PETER'S MISSION STATEMENT

As parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church, we strive to imitate Jesus' example of prayer, fellowship, love and service.



PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Msgr. Jarmoluk is eager and happy to baptize children whose parent(s) are practicing the Catholic faith and registered members of St. Peter's Parish. Please call the Parish Office for additional requirements and information.

MARRIAGES - Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION - Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

REGISTRATION - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org

HOSPITAL VISITS - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling (815) 675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick, injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call (815) 675-2339

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