

January 8, 2023 - Epiphany of the Lord

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **Weekdays**

Tue, 5:30 pm  
Wed, Thurs, & Fri, 8:30 am

### **Weekends**

Saturday 7:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:25 am

### **Confessions**

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm  
\*\*Also by appointment\*\*

### **Rosary**

Saturday 6:35 pm  
Sunday 8:35 am & 12:35 pm



*Then they opened their treasures  
and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
And having been warned in a dream  
not to return to Herod,  
they departed for their country by another way.*

## Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, January 10**  
**5:30 pm No Mass**

**Wednesday, January 11**  
**7:15 pm** Communion Service

**Thursday, January 12**  
**8:30 am No Mass**

**Friday, January 13**  
**8:30 am** Communion Service

**Saturday, January 14**  
**7:00 pm** †Dennis Crowley  
By: Leo & Jeanette Crowley

**Sunday, January 15**  
**9:00 am** †Michael Gruszka  
By: Darlene Gruszka  
**1:00 pm** Parishioner Mass

### FEAST of the BAPTISM of the LORD

*A voice came from  
the heavens, saying,  
"This is my beloved  
Son, with whom  
I am well pleased."*

— St. Matthew 3:16-17



## Upcoming Events

**Decoration Take Down**  
January 8th @2pm

**Ladies Sodality Meeting**  
*Scheduled for January 12th  
will be rescheduled for  
February.  
Date to be determined.*

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
January 14th @ 10am

**Finance Council Meeting**  
January 24th @6:30pm



A New Years Message from Fr. Cryton

## The Epiphanies of Life

Today we celebrate Epiphany of the Lord. Epiphany means to reveal, to show, or to make known. The enduring insight from the earliest days of Israel to our own modern Christianity is that God is not remote from us; God is actively involved. As per Anyo, God is present in the epiphanies of our life each day.

**God is present in Good Times:** Perhaps we think of these epiphanies only in way one – the good and nice events of our day. I stand on a beach and watch a perfect sunset and say to myself “yes, there is a God”. I receive a gift of forgiveness from a friend and say to myself “yes, there is a God”.

**God is present in hardships:** However, as believers we know that God comes to us, the essence of God is revealed, in the mystery of the crib and the cross. The depth of God’s being is made visible in the vulnerability of a child and in the perfect weakness of a man on a cross.

**God is present in daily life:** We find God in the sacrament of everyday life. We encounter God in trials, sufferings, joys, triumphs, hopes, fears, defeats and successes that come to us each day.  
...when our best efforts at work go unappreciated, God is present.  
...when we make an “A” in a difficult class at school, God is present.  
...when our child is born, God is present.  
...when our parent dies, God is present.

On those mornings when we wake up, sit on the edge of the bed, rub our eyes, think of the problems we face, worry whether our life has any real meaning, and wonder if there is even really a God...God is present.

**God is present in the way we serve our neighbor:** The epiphanies of life are not just about us. God is forever the beggar outside our gate, the victim left on the side of the road and the voice of those who have no one to plead for their needs. We are not just called to be sensitive to God’s presence within our own lives but we are also called to extend God’s presence through our care for others. Each of us is called to be a living epiphany and a sacrament of God’s love to the world around us.

...when we reach into our pocket and give to the poor, God is present.

...when we hug our child, God is present.

...when we work to correct an injustice, God is present.

...when we pray with a friend in the hospital, God is present.

**God is with us. Sometimes all we have to do is take the time to open our eyes and see... open our ears and hear...open our hearts and feel the presence. May we all see and hear and feel the epiphanies of God in our lives this day and in each day to COME.**



**Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, the first pope in 600 years to resign, has died. Here are some highlights from his life.**

- \* Elected 265th pope in one of the fastest conclaves in history.
- \* Installed as pope, April 24, 2005
- \* July 19, 2008. During visit to Australia for World Youth Day, meets with victims of priestly sex abuse and during a Mass apologizes for their suffering.
- \* May 1, 2011. Beatifies John Paul II before 1.5 million people
- \* Feb 11, 2013. Reveals in Latin that he is stepping down Feb 28 during a meeting of Vatican cardinals, surprising even his closest collaborators.



### Attention ! All Knitters & Crocheters

We would like to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry here at St. Mary’s. It’s a ministry that one can do from your home. Come to a **Meet and Greet** on the 2nd Saturday in January (January 14th) at 10am in the church basement. Members from the Praying Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry at Sacred Heart will be here to exchange ideas about the ministry. Would you like to learn how to crochet or knit? Come to the meeting. Please contact Deacon Tom for more information or questions.

# Prayer Chain



As we are getting ready for the 125 years of Jubilee of our present church in the year 2024, the committee for Liturgy and Spiritual Upliftment, has prepared a prayer guide to be prayed throughout the year (2023), as preparation for the Jubilee. Each family has been assigned a particular day or days.

## Prayer Chain Assignment Jan 9th - 13th

Jan 9 Arvid & Karen Braun  
Jan 10 Jennifer Brereton  
Jan 11 Pamela Browne  
Jan 12 John & Joan Burch  
Jan 13 Bruce Cassity

## May He Rest in Peace

Eugene Fitzgerald passed away on his birthday, December 28th. His funeral mass was celebrated at St. Mary's on Saturday, January 7th. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



## Census Form

Please help us collect good contact information. If you need a census form sent to you, please let us know. We can send it by US Mail or electronically. Once you have completed it, please return it to the parish office. You may also drop it in the box in the church vestibule.

## January Birthdays

Pamela Browne  
Heidi Finucan  
Marcy Krogh  
Nellie Erickson  
Samuel Teumer  
Sandra Hale  
Jill Biederman  
Wyatt Schuenke  
John Sobojinski  
Richard Radl  
Denise Rasmussen

If we have missed your birthday, please contact the parish office so that we may correct our information.

## Financial Stewardship

December 31, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$3669.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$6.00
Offertory.....	\$613.00
Holy Day.....	\$684.00
Utilities.....	\$45.00
Christmas.....	\$415.00
Votive Candles.....	\$21.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5453.00</b>

(153 registered families)

## Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed	\$75,790.31
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## Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$95,075.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 59.42%

Number of Donors: 36

There are envelopes in the back of church if you would like to contribute to the campaign.

**Every pledge makes a difference and is truly appreciated!**

## Did You Know/Tour of the church

This week I'd like to direct your attention to the wall closest to the railroad tracks, the wall with the big picture of The Divine Mercy. Our Feature is the statue of the Infant of Prague. Did you know the feast of the Infant of Prague is celebrated January 14?

The Infant of Prague Celebrates the Mystery of the Incarnation. Originating in the Czech Republic. Patron of children, colleges, good finances and health. The original statue was created as a royal wedding gift from a Spanish Princess to her Austrian royal cousin. Standing 19 inches tall, with the left foot barely visible. The left hand encircles a miniature globe, surmounted by a cross, signifying the world-wide kingship of the Christ Child. The right hand is extended in blessing with the first two fingers being raised to symbolize the two natures of Christ, while the folded thumb and last two fingers touch each other representing the unity of the Blessed Trinity.

Many miracles have occurred through intercession to the Divine Infant. During one invasion, all the children of the city were taken to the Church for protection - praying to the Infant, they were all saved. This promise of protection and blessing has inspired devotion and love of the Infant of Jesus of Prague.

Check out the statue some time, and while you're at it why not invite someone to Church!

**Deacon Tom**

## St. Mary's Prayer List

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Mary Jean Cauley, Karen & Chris DeLange, Fr. Clayton Elmhurst, Mikey, Lori, Morgan & Alan Gruszka, Jim & Adela Hagen, Chuck Huber, Roseanne Kenneth, Gloria Kramer, Helena Kwit & Family, Noah, Mary Claire Marshall, Bud Miller, Lizzie Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Karen Patton, Charlotte Rybicki, Francis Senzig, Preston Shields, Jeri Smith, Marion Walsh, those who are sick, unemployed, in need, & all families who are suffering in any way; from illness, cancer, uncertainty, & anxieties; Families & Friends please... **PRAY THE ROSARY!!!**

## Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 14, 7:00 pm

<b>Lector.....</b>	Joyce Fuller
<b>Servers.....</b>	Katelyn Browne
.....	Aron Browne
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Jim McGowan, Jr
.....	Jim Arens
.....	Gary Fuller
<b>Gift Bearers.....</b>	McGowan Family
<b>Musician.....</b>	Tracey Tolzmann

Sunday, January 15, 9:00 am

<b>Lector.....</b>	Larry Mueller
<b>Server.....</b>	Stella Finucan
.....	Anton Erickson
.....	Mick McCormick
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Pat Cauley
.....	Pete Cauley
.....	Pat Mitchell
<b>Gift Bearers.....</b>	Finucan Family
<b>Musician.....</b>	Jade Pusel

Sunday, January 15 1:00 pm

<b>Lector.....</b>	Marcy Krogh
<b>Ushers.....</b>	Zach Houseworth

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**Prayer for Jubilee Preparation**

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the mile stone of 125years of the church dedicated to Mary our mother. We thank you for the tireless toiling of priests, religious and lay faithful for their breath of life into the stones of our church and the lives of our community. As we prepare our hearts, to celebrate the great Jubilee with faith, that it may be the time of grace and mercy. Give us a heart that is humble and simple, a heart that knows how to contemplate in every moment of joy and struggle, like Mary our mother and our patroness. May your holy spirit, inflame our hearts and inspire us to imitate Christ your son to grow in humility and love of our neighbors. May Mary our mother intercede for us. Amen.