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January 3, 2021 The Epiphany of the Lord

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The voices of the prophet Isaiah, the Apostle Paul, and the three kings – Balthazar, Caspar, and Melchior – resound today in one joyful chorus. They are reminding us that Christ, our Light, has come to dispel the darkness of sin and death and to remain with us forever.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our annual TOGETHER AS ONE campaign to help support our parishes and our Diocese, who visits our parish website and Facebook page to stay in touch with the latest news and information and/or to utilize our weekend Mass reservation system

[\[https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/mass-attendance-reservations\]](https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/mass-attendance-reservations) [under the Liturgy menu]] to reserve your spot by Saturdays 3:00 p.m., who continue to mail in their parish contributions and/or go online to do this.

Merry Christmas!!!

Please remember your parish in your will.....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future.

Fr. Mark

SACRAMENT & PARISH INFORMATION

RECONCILIATION: By appointment.

BAPTISM: Parents must attend Baptism Class. Register with Michelle Wilson at 712-229-0299.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office 9 months in advance.

COMMUNION and ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call your parish office or contact Fr. Mark.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Contact the parish office or go to cherokeecountycatholics.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesday.

STEWARDSHIP

IC **Dec. 27**

Weekly Total: \$6,615 – Adult Envelopes \$3,765, General – Online \$395, Major Repair - Envelopes \$697, Major Repair - Online \$70, Loose \$63, CAP \$760, Catholic Charities \$840, Catholic Charities – Online \$25. **TAO Goal:** \$41,385, Pledged \$25,967.50, Paid \$21,742.50; Cards to be returned: 464, Cards returned 182.

OLGC **Dec. 27**

Weekly Total: \$2,276 - Envelopes \$1,366, General – Online \$200, Youth \$20, Loose \$150, Votives \$5, Local Charities \$320, Catholic Charities \$215. **Capital campaign:** Goal \$350,000, Pledges: \$445,312, Amount received: \$395,006.48. **TAO Goal:** \$9,735, Pledged \$5,176, Paid \$4,986; Cards to be returned: 110, Cards returned 44.

MASS MINISTERS

Sat., Jan. 9 – 5 p.m. **Cherokee**

Ushers – Bill Anderson, David Fordyce, Lori Fordyce

Sun., Jan. 10 – 8:30 a.m. **Holstein**

Ushers – Tom Galvin, Andy Cronin, Melissa Friedrichsen

Sun., Jan. 10 – 10:30 a.m. **Cherokee**

Ushers – Alan Johnson, Tony Steward, Mark Wilson

OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

Together As One [TAO] 2020, our annual appeal for the parish and for the Diocese assists with supporting Catholic ministries in the parish and the diocese, including pastoral, educational, spiritual and human services that benefit thousands of families throughout the 24 counties in the Diocese of Sioux City including helping to advance the work of parishes with financial assistance and support services. Your generous support makes the vital work of the Church possible.

Dynamic Catholic believes in the power of prayer! It seems like just yesterday we were ringing in 2020, and oh what a year it's been. No matter the highs and lows we've all experienced, Dynamic Catholic wants to pray

for all of us. Did you know you can submit prayer requests to Dynamic Catholic anytime on their website? They add these prayer requests to their book of intentions and pray for them each week at Mass in their office. Simply click on this link to be added to their book of intentions: dynamiccatholic.com/prayer-request and find comfort in knowing your prayers are being heard.

Ushers needed to assist with greeting, taking attendance, seating, and dismissing Mass attendees. Volunteers need to be under age 65 and in general good health and able to do this challenging task. To volunteer, please contact Fr. Mark. Thank you to our current ushers who are doing a great job under challenging circumstances.

Catholic Charities is offering services, including Zoom sessions, for parents/family specific to the impacts of COVID-19 on children regarding masks, anxiety, isolation, etc. For more information you may contact the Sioux City office at: info@cathchar.com, (712) 252-4547, or visit <https://cathchar.com>.

Online giving is available on our parish website. Simply lick the ONLINE GIVING box, follow the instructions, and give one-time, weekly, or monthly to the funds provided. There are funds set up for each parish.

Regular giving is still available by mailing your contribution to your parish's PO Box address.

Christmas: To become a child in relation to God is the condition for entering the kingdom. For this, we must humble ourselves and become little. Even more: to become “children of God” we must be “born from above” or “born of God.” Only when Christ is formed in us will the mystery of Christmas be fulfilled in us. Christmas is the mystery of this “marvelous exchange”: O marvelous exchange! Man’s Creator has become man, born of the Virgin. We have been made sharers in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share our humanity. [CCC 526]

Laudato Si Series – The Christian’s role in social and environmental justice. Pope Francis explains: “The ecological crisis is a summons to profound interior conversion” (217). Some ridicule concern for the environment as not realistic or pragmatic and others are passive. The Pope says, “Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience” (217). **Reflect** on the Pope’s words: “As believers, we do not look at the world from without but from within, conscious of the bonds with which the Father has linked us to all beings” (220). **Act:** Look at “science as a revelation of the mysteries and glories of God's creation” (220). Find ways to protect God’s gifts. **Read:** Chapter 6, Section 3

of Laudato Si found under Parish Documents on our website.

Source: <https://www.ncronline.org/news/earthbeat/christians-role-social-and-environmental-justice>

KFHC/KOIA Catholic Radio, 88.1 FM broadcasts EWTN and local programming every day including Sunday Mass from St. Michael Church of Holy Cross Parish in Sioux City at 9:00 a.m. Sundays. You may also tune in also by visiting www.fhcradio.com and clicking on the “Listen Live” link at the top right corner which opens a popup box where you can join the mailing list or click ‘no thanks’ and then listen online.

IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IC Parish Prayer Chain: Call Gert Selk 712-229-1756 to put prayers (illness/other) on prayer chain.

Please remember David Pibal (79), a former IC parishioner who died on December 26th, in your prayers as well as his family.

Card Shower: On January 5th, Mary Gravenish-Blair will turn 92. Happy Birthday Mary! Send Mary birthday wishes at PO Box 53, Meriden, IA 51037.

Card Shower: On January 12th, Leroy Jenness will be 93 years young. Happy Birthday Leroy! Send him a card sent at 333 Sioux Valley Drive, #201, Cherokee.

Card Shower: On January 13th, Norm Rupp will be 91 years young. Happy Birthday Norm! Send him a card sent at 310 Coyote Drive, Cherokee.

Thank you to everyone who helped me with the diaper drive. I collected over 4,000 diapers, 28 packages of wipes, 3 bags of baby supplies, and 4 car seats with 5 bases. Mary's Choice really appreciated the gift. I couldn't have done it without the help of all who donated!
Sincerely, Nash

~ IC Birthdays ~

- Jan. 4** Tim Cronin, Dale Lux
- Jan. 5** Mary Gravenish-Blair
- Jan. 6** Mike Bechtel
- Jan. 7** Roger Dreier, Bill Glassmaker
- Jan. 8** Marilyn George-Storbeck, Roy Townsend
- Jan. 9** Tyler Richardson

* Faith Formation News *

Catechists needed for Grades 6, 8, 9, and 10.

OLGC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Line: Contact Joyce Galvin at 251-1687 or Diane Gardalen at 229-1486.

Mailing Address: Please use our new mailing address: PO Box 380 when sending us mail. Thank you.

Community Basket donations for January: Paper products – toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, garbage bags.

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The Epiphany of the Lord



“As we begin the New Year, may we discover anew that faith demands worship. If we can fall on our knees before Jesus, we will overcome the temptation to set off on our own path.” (Pope Francis, Jan. 6, 2020)

On this Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, we remember that God came to earth for everyone, every nation, every people.

January is Poverty Awareness Month!

Poverty does not strike all demographics equally. For example, in 2018, 10.6% of men, and 12.9% of women lived in Poverty USA. Along the same lines, the poverty rate for married couples in 2018 was only 4.7% - but the poverty rate for single-parent families with no wife present was 12.7%, and for single-parent families with no husband present was 24.9%.

In 2018, the poverty rate for people living with a disability was 25.7%. That’s nearly 4 million people living with a disability—in poverty.

Visit PovertyUSA for education on economic justice, resources for prayer, and key conduits for action.

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Please Pray For Those Who Are Remembered Here...

<i>In Memory of...</i> Barbara Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Ralph, Herta and Sharon Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jerry & Steven Madsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins
<i>In Memory of...</i> Del Ament and Jill Ament	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Schallau	<i>In Memory of...</i> Roger, Marilyn & Karen Immele and Sy Rodgers	<i>In Memory of...</i> Emil & Helen Mendt
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud & Marjorie Brandt	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kay Chettinger	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dale & Ann Wright and Floyd & Mark Courtright	<i>In Memory of...</i> John Berigan
<i>In Memory of...</i> Owen & Eileen Hiniker	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dick & Darlene Hirschman	<i>In Memory of...</i> Paul & Matt George and John Storbeck	<i>In Memory of...</i> Nancy Wright, Justin & Corey Nicolaisen And Richard Wych
<i>In Memory of...</i> Tom Murphy	<i>In Memory of...</i>	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lester & Mary Ann Bush, Mike Bush, Sharon Geary and Sandy Tuttle
<i>In Memory of...</i> Wayne & Rosemary Roepke	<i>In Memory of...</i> Max D. Martinsen	<i>In Memory of...</i>	<i>In Memory of...</i> Richard & Sally Henke
<i>In Memory of...</i> Chuck & Joyce Perrin, Dan & Mike Perrin & Mike Gates	<i>In Memory of...</i> August "Gus" Erickson	<i>In Memory of...</i> Shannon & Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kenneth & Elva Johnson
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud Perrin	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lori Sokolowski and Aaron Sokolowski		

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<p>COSGROVE LAW FIRM ***** Thaddeus Cosgrove, Attorney at Law Meghann Cosgrove Whitmer, Attorney at Law Website: thadcosgrovelaw.com 102 N. Main, PO Box 50 Holstein, IA 51025 Ph: (712) 368-2616 Fax: (712) 368-2389 cosgrove1@frontiernet.net</p>	 <p>THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council No. 1722 Cherokee, IA Come and join us...Contact Grand Knight Jeff Wilson  307 N. Second Street Cherokee, IA 225-2755</p>	<p>BRAD'S TIRE SERVICE CENTER Tires-Alignments-Oil Changes-Brakes On the Road Field Service Complete Automotive Repair Work YOUR ONE STOP TIRE SHOP! 1475 N. 2nd, Cherokee Hours: Mon-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat.: 8 a.m.-Noon 225-2100</p> 	