

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

January 8, 2017

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 7

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village
5:30 pm For Claire Murphy by McGrath Family

Sunday, January 8

8:00 am For Richard Edelkraut by Dave Donlon
9:30 am For Therese DiPaolo by Ronceray Family
For Lorraine Barron by Barron Family
11:00 am For Deacon John Meyer by Madaras Family
For Lorraine Barron by Barron Family

Monday, January 9

8:45 am For the Poor

Tuesday, January 10

8:45 am For the Sick

Wednesday, January 11

8:45 am For Joseph Forlini by Draghi Family

Thursday, January 12

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village

Saturday, January 14

5:30 pm For Claire Murphy by Kathy Woeste

Sunday, January 15

8:00 am For Peace
9:30 am For Claire Murphy by Lennon Family
11:00 am For Deacon John Meyer by Sue Reilly & Peer Ministers

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 14, 15, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Lector: Tom Morley

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Lennon

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Lector: Tony Cretella

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Gebbia, Mark Vetterl

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 9:30 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Lector: Sarah Murray

Eucharistic Minister: Tony Piombino, Eric Woelfel

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 11:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Lector: Sharon Donovan

Eucharistic Ministers: Lorraine Fleming, Andrew Marley, Saige Mitchell

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Altar Breads & Wine – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

Sanctuary Lamp – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families

Mass Candles: For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family,

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky, Deacon Jim Jones
7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

Sunday, January 15

7:45 am Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski
9:15 am Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski
10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Martin McDonnell
12:15 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Martin McDonnell, Deacon Tom Gibbon

ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

Current Year	Last Year 2016
January 1, 2017: \$ 1,203 Envelopes used: 28	January 3, 2016: \$2,657 Envelopes Used: 54
Parish Debt Reduction: \$419 Envelopes used: 18	Parish Debt Reduction: \$548 Envelopes used: 23
Supermarket Gift Cards January 1, 2017 Sales: \$1,820 Profit: \$91 YTD Profit: \$91 # of Families: 7 Total Profit for 2016: \$6,664	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ484
Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You, Fr. Joe



FOOD PANTRY STATUS...

The Long Valley Food Pantry is about to enter the critical winter season - - in very good shape, thanks to the generosity of St. Mark's (and the other churches that participate). Now let's try our best to keep it that way. Hearty soup, hot cereal, baby food, pasta/sauce, etc. would be especially helpful at this time of year. But as always, anything you can donate will be appreciated.



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD...

I always like the celebration of the Epiphany that is accompanied by the story of the visit of three kings or wise men. For us as Christians it is a feast day that celebrates the truth that the coming of Jesus into the world was meant for all people of every race and creed. God has come among us in the form of a little child and he would share in our life and ultimately give his life for the salvation of all people. Jesus came as the redeemer of humankind and although there are many people in the world who do not recognize that or believe what we do and we know the significance of God becoming human and sharing our nature so that he might more readily redeem us from the effects of sin.

The Epiphany is celebrated as the manifestation of Jesus to the nations. The prophets of the Old Testament, the Hebrew Scriptures often foretold that the coming of the messiah would be so powerful that one nation could not hold his glory. The symbolism of the scriptures say that when God's Glory is revealed all people will come streaming toward the holy mountain, the Holy city to be united as one human family.

It seems that events in our past and current world history still shows us we have a way to go to be united with this one God who wishes us peace and reconciliation and love for all. The miracle of Christmas and of Jesus' life is that he never gives up on us. He is always challenging us to make this hopeful vision of a universal humanity a reality in our time. Don't forget we just recently sang about bringing Peace on Earth – it should be more than a song – it should be our prayer that we each work to achieve it in our own way. May the peace of Jesus truly be in our hearts and in our actions as we seek to make Jesus known to all we meet by our words and actions...Fr. Joe

NOTE:

On January 9th, Fr. Slawomir (Slawek) goes to Poland. His mother will have a surgery. Fr Slawomir asks for prayer for this intention...

Prior to the news above I had asked Fr. Slawek to write an article about his life so you would get to know a little more about him – the article is below...Fr. Joe

ARTICLE BY FR. SLAWEK:

I was born on September 16, 1983, in Tuchola, Poland, my parents - Joseph and Elizabeth. I have three older siblings: a sister, Beata; and two brothers, Peter and Christopher. My parents have always been and continue to be very active in the community life of Corpus Christi Parish.

From an early age, I was actively involved in the church life: served as an Altar Boy; belonged to the Catholic Youth Association, and the Renewal in the Holy Spirit. Every year, I would partake in the walking pilgrimages to Czestochowa as well as to the Sanctuary in the Diocese of Pelplin.

Throughout the years of service at the altar, and having participated in many various church groups - living an active Christian life - is what led me to discernment of my vocation: hearing the calling to follow the voice of Christ.

Between 2006 -2009, I attended the Major Seminary of the Archdiocese of Gdańsk. In February 2010, I went to Austria where I took a language training-course German at "Privat Studio Deutsch". From 2011-2013, continued the theological studies at the University of Szczecin, where I have completed Master's Degree in Theology. From 2013 through 2014, attended the Polish-American Major

Seminary in Krakow. In July of 2014, I came to United States; at which time, I was assigned to Holy Family Church in Florham Park until the Ordination to Diaconate in May of 2015. As Deacon, I was assigned to St. Cecilia Church, in Rockaway until my ordination to the Priesthood of this year - May 28, 2016.

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING...

Fr. Dan, Fr.Slawek, our parish staff and me would like to thank you for the many cards and goodies we received during the Christmas holidays. We appreciate them very much...Fr. Joe

ST.MARK'S POT LUCK LUNCH...JOIN US JAN 22 AFTER THE 11 A.M. MASS

Plan to join us for this fun lunch that gathers our community together as the New Year gets under way. Our pot luck lunch is always a good time for friends to gather. We welcome especially new parishioners who joined our parish over the past year or so. This is really a great way to connect. Sign up on the poster board in the gathering space. Don't delay we want to make sure we are prepared for the turnout...

ANTIOCH RETREAT NEXT WEEKEND...

Our second year confirmation candidates will be participating on an Antioch Retreat weekend 13-15 please keep them in your prayers that they will have a good experience and come to know the love of God in their lives. Next Sunday at the 11 a.m. mass they will participate in the ceremony of inscription where they will write their name in the book that contains all the confirmation candidates before them. They do this as a sign of their willingness to be committed candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation that they will receive next month.

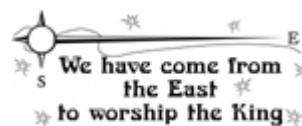
YOU DID IT FOR ME...

Jenny* works as a case manager for Catholic Charities. She helps people experiencing homelessness return to decent housing and a dignified life. Sometimes the work seems all uphill. One night Jenny participated in a "point-in-time" count of individuals spending the night outside. Eighteen was the number, and each one was offered a bed in a shelter. The next morning Jenny's daughter said she look tired, and Jenny explained. Her daughter said, "Mommy, you're my hero, because you help people who don't have a home." Immediately Jenny felt ready for another day.

Catholic Charities reported that 564,708 people were homeless in the U.S. on a single night in 2015, including 32,240 unaccompanied youth. During the same year, Catholic Charities provided 21,738 nightly beds for homeless and formerly homeless people. To learn more, visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do." – Matthew Kelly



WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

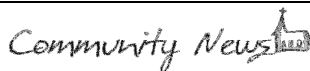
We are Catholic because we believe: The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 528



The Long Valley Columbiettes are having a “**WONDERS OF CHOCOLATE**” afternoon celebrating Valentine’s Day on Sunday, February 12 from 3-5 pm at St. Mark’s. Details to follow.

OLM BOOK CLUB...

Join us, Tuesday, January 17th, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Conference Room as we discuss the book: *A Mother’s Reckoning: Living in the Aftermath of Tragedy* – a powerful and moving memoir written by Sue Kiebold, mother of Dylan Kiebold, one of the Columbine High School shooters. All author profits from this book will be gifted to mental health research.



ST. LUKE CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL PROGRAM...

Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held during the months of January and February 2017 Tuesday through Thursday from 12:00 to 1:00 pm at the Preschool or you can bring the registration to St. Luke’s office. Forms can be accessed on the website www.stlukeparishlv.com. \$50 non-refundable check is required upon registration. If you have questions, please email preschool@stlukelv.org

SEMINAR AT ST. LUKE’S PARISH...

If getting finances in order for you and your aging parents is on your list of resolutions, please attend...Caring for Our Parents and Ourselves as We Age Seminar: Financial Considerations for Maturing Families. Sunday, January 8th 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm in the chapel. Speaker Matthew K. Farley, Financial Advisor.

COPING WITH LOSS GROUP...

This **FREE** ongoing group is designed to provide support, education, and resources to those who are coping with the loss of a loved one.

Where: 41 East Mill Road, Long Valley,

When: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 7:00-8:30 pm. No Cost

Pre-register: <http://drpeggydelong.com/services/community-services>

For information: Contact Peggy DeLong (908) 672-6344 or peggydelong@comcast.net or <http://drpeggydelong.com>

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP – SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA CHURCH, SPARTA...

The Bereavement Ministry invites all those who have experienced the loss of a loved one to join our Support Group for prayerful reflection and sharing on the first Wednesday of every month from January to August 2017, from 7:00-8:30 pm. Please call Laura Entwistle at (973) 726-8978 if you wish to attend.



All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.

Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris,, Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Madelyn S., Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O’Connor, Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Rev., Raymond Pavlick, Nicky Piloni, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, , Jeff Schpiner, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, William Thompson, Elizabeth Tomaszewski, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

Pray For the deceased: Rev. Evan Greco





**ST. MARK'S
ANNUAL POT LUCK LUNCH
January 22nd following 11:00 mass**

Bring the whole family and join us as we welcome our newest parishioners with a "pot luck" meal

Get your best appetizers, main dishes, and desserts ready—what you bring will depend on your last name.

Enjoy a fun, stress-free day after the holidays hanging out with friends and family.

Sign-up sheet is in the gathering space

