FROM THE PRIESTS: As we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord, these words of the letter to the Ephesians come to mind: “I … urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, … striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all” (4:1-6; our bolding). This oneness is also a mark of the Eucharist; Paul is aghast at the divisions in Corinth during their celebration of the “Lord’s supper” (see 1 Cor. 11:17ff). Thankfully we don’t have the issues that were plaguing the Corinthian gatherings. There is, however, one “bad habit” that we Frs. Tims have seen at some of our parishes that we would like to encourage changing. This is the practice of taking the Body of Christ to individuals throughout the church, rather than all people coming forward—or if physical needs require it, sitting in the front pews—to receive the Eucharist. (Taking the Body of Christ to the choir loft is different, for the choir is ministering to our Eucharistic celebration. Although we could review that, too.) We want to encourage all people to respect the oneness of the Eucharist by all receiving from the ministers of the Eucharist, that is, from the priest and the EMHCs distributing the Body and Blood of Christ. We want to make sure that our practices in our parish are worthy (see I Cor. 11:27ff) of the great gift of Christ’s Body and Blood!
THANK YOU, Stephanie Hansen, for your years of faithful service as a lay director of St. John the Baptist Parish. Thank you, Erin Sundrup, for your willingness to serve in this capacity. Please be sure to offer your own support.

THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS will be taken down following mass TODAY. Thanks for your assistance. Many hands make light work!

**Stewardship for January 5**

- Adult: $2,711.00
- Youth: $2.00
- Loose: $4.00
- Bazaar Fund II: $50.00
- Catholic Schools Foundation: $15.00
- Mary, Mother of God: $87.00
- Unrestricted Contributions: $5,250.00

**MINISTERS-January 19**

- RL: Jerome/Norma Henkenius
- U/G/GB: Vic/Shirley Tomka
- S: Ryan & Kyle Sundrup, Cole Collison

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**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS:** Thursday, January 16 @ 6:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit. Moms and Dads who plan to attend are encouraged to let us know of their plans to attend so that we have enough handouts (email or call). We Frs. Tims look forward to seeing you!

**IF A FAMILY MEMBER** is in the hospital and if you would like one of the Frs. Tims to visit, please contact us. The hospital does not contact us. We will do our best to visit your loved one!

**SOME KUEMPER NOTES:**

- Tues., Jan. 14: End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
- Wed., Jan. 15: No School – Prof. Development
- Thurs., Jan. 16: 8:20 a.m., Grades K-3 Liturgy at Holy Spirit Church; 6:30 p.m., Theology on Tap at Kerp’s Bar & Grill with Jeremy Schechinger, speaking.
- Sat., Jan. 18: 8:00 p.m., Winter Wonderland Dance in KHS gym

**Will Power:** Please consider including your parish and/or Kuemper as a beneficiary in your will or life insurance policy? This makes a strong statement that part of your legacy is faithful support of the mission of sharing the Good News of Christ. Additionally, including a non-profit in your will may be beneficial for tax purposes.

**SCRIP IS FOR EVERYONE,** because it can be used to support our parishes! We can designate the earnings from Scrip to go toward our parish’s support of Kuemper Catholic Schools. — For more information, contact Sarah Muhlbauer (712-792-2123 ext 624 or sbmuhlbauer@kuemper.org)! – Consider using Scrip for all groceries, gas, dining out, etc., etc.!

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PANCAKE BREAKFAST** will be held on Sunday, January 26, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the OLMC parish hall. Fresh homemade Kiwanis pancakes, sausages, and eggs will be served. Tickets are $8.00/ adult, $5.00/child (5-10), children under 5 free. Tickets are available at the door. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

**JOIN CANsurvive...CANCER SUPPORT GROUP,** this St. Anthony hospital group provides support to people with cancer, their families, friends, and loved ones. In addition to excellent medical care, there is a deep need for emotional, spiritual, and educational support when faced with the challenge of a cancer diagnosis. Meetings held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month (beginning Jan. 15, 2020), 5:15-6:15 p.m. in the St. Clare Room (4th Floor of the Surgery Center Building, 311 S. Clark St.). For more info, visit stanthonyshospital.org, from Services drop down menu, choose CANsurvive Cancer Support Group or call (712) 794-5243. Pre-registration not required but appreciated.

**TOM CHAPMAN,** Executive Director of the Iowa Catholic Conference, will be at Corpus Christ Parish Center in Fort Dodge on January 30 at 6:30PM to speak about the proposed Pro-Life Amendment for the Iowa Constitution.
THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS for OLMC will be taken down after mass TODAY. Thanks for your assistance. Many hands make light work!

OUR PANCAKE BREAKFAST is January 26th. Please pick up your envelope in the back of church that contains breakfast tickets, raffle tickets and the worklist. Anyone wishing to donate a raffle item or make a monetary contribution, please contact Ken & Amber Massey (712-830-3348) or (712-210-0634) or JR & Shannon Reising (712-790-9710) or (712-790-9711). We ask that all raffle items are turned in prior to the day of the breakfast. Thank-you!

THANK YOU, Donna Wiederin! We are grateful for the fine work and service you provided to OLMC. — Because Donna is handing over the keys for mowing OLMC’s grounds, we Frs. Tims are asking if you (must be an adult) would like to be hired for this part-time position next year. Or, if you know of a lawn care service whom we might contact, please let us Frs. Tims know.

**Stewardship for January 5**
- Adults $8,488.27 including grain donation; Youth $32.00; Loose $148.00; Candle Money $152.00; Catholic School support $120.00; Breakfast Tickets $40.00

**MINISTERS-January 19**
- RL: Norman/Diane Schettler
- S: Ben Schmitz, Lucas Reising, Josh Tigges
- R: Alan Lemker
- U: Dave Wittry, Wayne Bruening, Ed Haberl
- GB: Russ/Marie Pudenz Family
- EM: Brian Hoffman, Ken Nees, Julie Rohe

**ST. AUGUSTINE-HALBUR**

**Holy Angels MWS**

THE CHOIR will be singing on Sunday, January 26th. Please join us as we kick off Catholic Schools Week. All are welcome!

THE LADIES GUILD will be working on the circle sheets. Please call or leave a message with Joyce Wittrock (658-2585) if you would like to make any changes to funeral servers, starred or otherwise.

HALBUR 125 YEAR History Books for sale, $5.00 and Halbur Cookbooks, $2.00 both are sold at the Bank in Halbur.

SAVE THE DATES FOR HALBUR DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS: January 25th and February 22nd beginning at 7 p.m. at the Halbur Community Center. $10 per person and includes lunch, BYOB. It is a great way to meet new people and play some cards this winter. Lots of fun for any skill level.

HALBUR COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE will be held on Thursday, January 30th from 12 noon to 6 p.m. in the Halbur Community Center. Make appointments online or call Linda at 1-515-326-2474.

**Stewardship for January 5**
- Adult $3,837.00; Youth $5.35; Loose $100.48; Holy Angels MWS $35.00

**MINISTERS-January 19**
- S: Hannah & Kirsten Mescher
- R: Linda Halbur
- U: Loren Bruch, Carter Bruch
- GB: Cory/Hilary Bruch Family
- EM: Katie Borkowski, Barb Sturm, Janet Mulhauer

**Church Cleaners:** Tim/Leslie Eisheid, Mike/Jessica Fuchs

**Sacred Heart-Templeton**

CONGRATULATIONS to Chance Nicholas Wittry, son of Nick and Kristin Wittry on his recent baptism. Chance was baptized on December 28 by Fr. Steve Brodersen. Welcome, Chance, to God’s family and Sacred Heart’s family!

**TEMPLETON SENIOR CITIZENS** will meet on January 23rd, 11 a.m. at the Corner Station.

**KC POKER,** Thursday, Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m., Templeton Center.

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT OUR LADY OF FATIMA #1492 will hold a regular meeting on Monday, January 13 at the Manning Senior Center after the NOON meal.

TEMPLETON DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT, Sunday, February 9, 1 p.m., Templeton Center. $50/per team, ages 15+, teams of 8-10 with at least 2 girls. Registration deadline is Feb. 2. Limit of 8 team spots available. Text Hannah Warner to register (712-830-5287)

**Stewardship for January 5**
- Adult $3,150.00; Loose $208.00; Catholic Charities $20.00

**MINISTERS-January 18**
- G: 9th & 10th Grade
- S: 9th & 10th Grade
- R: 9th & 10th Grade
- U: Denis Wittrock
- EM: Sue Ann Heuton, Barb Brauckman, Della Lappe

**Church Cleaners:** Karen Zubrod, Sara Anderson

**ST. ELIZABETH SETON-GLIDDEN**

THE ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST is scheduled for February 9th. The sign up sheets are on the table in the back of church. Take this opportunity to choose your job! Breakfast tickets are available in the back of church to be picked up.

**Stewardship for January 5**
- Adult $722.00; Youth $3.00; Loose $76.00

**MINISTERS-January 18**
- G: 9th & 10th Grade
- S: 9th & 10th Grade
- R: 9th & 10th Grade
- U: Denis Wittrock

**Church Cleaners:** Sue Ann Heuton, Barb Brauckman, Della Lappe

**God Bless You**
PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], may contact the pastor at any time of the year to begin the process known as RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults]/RCIC [Rite of Christian Initiation of Children].

BAPTISM CLASS is being offered for parents who are having a child baptized for the first time in one of the parishes of CTKCC. The class will be offered at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of odd numbered months (Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.) at Holy Spirit in Carroll. PLEASE email one of the Frs. Tims to let them know when you will be attending.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION is to begin 6-12 months before the wedding day. If either the bride or the groom is not a Catholic or has been previously married, additional time may be necessary for preparation. Please contact the pastor so that all preparations may be completed in time for the wedding and marriage. Remember, a wedding is just a day, a marriage is a LIFETIME!

NEW PARISHIONERS may register in the parish of their choice by visiting http://christthekingcatholiccommunity.org/parish-registration [under the ABOUT drop-down menu] and completing the form.

BULLETIN ADS FOR SALE—yes, you may advertise your business or event here. Cost of each ad is $3 per week or $150/year. Space is limited. Ads must meet the Catholic Church standards. Contact the office in Breda for more information and/or to set up and schedule your ad.

THOSE DISCERNING GOD’S CALL to be a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, may speak with the pastor or call the Diocesan Vocation office at 712-233-7522.

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