

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 4 - St. Mary  
 Mass 4:30 p.m, Rosary at 4:00 p.m.  
 Pat O'Leary by Mary Ann Miller

January 5 - St. Ann  
 Mass 9:00 a.m. Rosary at 8:40 a.m.  
 Helen Steil by Good Samaritan Nurses

Monday, January 6 - St. Mary  
 Mass 7:30 a.m.  
 Leo Colopy by Ann Colopy

Tuesday, January 7 - Genesis Chapel  
 Mass 7:15 a.m.  
 Vocations

### CHURCH OFFICE HRS

Tues. 8:30 a.m. —12:30 p.m.  
 Phone: 740-754-2221  
 saintann@columbus.rr.com

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please submit by Sunday, 6 p.m.  
 Phone your submission, 828-2594,  
 place it in the basket at Mass  
 or email to [sheimer@localnet.com](mailto:sheimer@localnet.com).



### PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

Let us pray for our brothers and sisters as they go forth with courage and determination to face the forces of violence, weapons of destruction and hearts filled with hate. We pray, Lord, that you preserve the members of our Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force from all harm. *Amen.*

**Mass Offerings** We have many opportunities for Masses to be offered for your loved ones either living or deceased. Just mark an envelope "Mass Intentions" and drop it in the collection basket with the name of whom the Mass is to be offered and include your name.

**Our Saturday Masses are broadcast live on youtube.**

They can be accessed at  
[YouTube.com/stmarysmattinglysettlement](https://www.youtube.com/stmarysmattinglysettlement)

## Mass Readings Sunday, Jan. 12

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
 Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38  
 Mathew 3:13-17

### Divine Mercy Reflections from St. Faustina's Diary

Jesus said: **Know, too, that the darkness about which you complain I first endured in the Garden of Olives when My Soul was crushed in mortal anguish.**

**I am giving you a share in those sufferings because of My special love for you and in view of the high degree of holiness I am intending for you in heaven. A suffering soul is closest to My Heart** (*Diary*, 1487).

Jesus said: **My daughter, give Me souls. Know that it is your mission to win souls for Me by prayer and sacrifice, and by encouraging them to trust in My mercy** (*Diary*, 1690).



## Epiphany Feast of Light

On this day, dear Savior, Your light shines brightly in our midst. You are the Light of the World, the Light in our darkness, ever with us, ever showing us the way. On this great feast of Light, when the Magi came guided by a star, may we, like them, offer You gifts that symbolize our love for You. May we offer You the gold of our faith, the myrrh of our repentance and the frankincense of our devotion. May we bow before You, Holy Savior, as the three Wise Men did, with great and abiding joy. On this day, may we, too, stand in Your light and so give glory to our God. *Amen.*

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Vivian Grady, Pat Powers, Peggy Franks, Christine Wagner, Tracy Beale, Margarie Reeves, Sue McClanahan-Pepper, Jodi Morrison, Rose Fohrman, Edyn Dickson, Wesson James, Teresa Daughtery, Clarice Durtschi, Nick Durtschi, Tom Lockhard, Marty Watson, Karen Miller, Ellen Alheim, Rylee Warner, Gretchen Boerner, Ron Miller, Amara Larrison, Teagan Welen, Sara Hopper, Clark Watson, Lynn Seward, Craig Harple, Kevin Kenily, Dakota Miller, Sarah Ludinich, Michelle Merry, Cheryl Trego, Don Nichols, Greg Steinmetz, Sue Lawler, Charles Jones, Ava Winner, Tom Clawson, Jeffrey M. Schiele, Connie Kihm, Tim Scholl, Christine Mitchell, Miriam Santacruz, Bill McBride, Mary Ann Miller, Jenny Ripple Kimble, Jack Stokes, Elijah and Lora Tilton, Lucas Totton, Tom Dew and Chelusa Cruz, and Jim Cope  
*Refresh them Lord, with your healing grace. Please submit names of those who need our prayers. As health improves, let us know to remove the name.*

## Stewardship Report

Year July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

December 21 & 22, 2019

**TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 2,962.00**

WEEKLY GOAL	\$ 2,400.00
ACTUAL COLLECTION	\$ 2,962.00
<b>Variance</b>	<b>+ \$ 562.00</b>
Year to Date Goal	\$ 60,000.00
Actual Year to Date	\$ 71,504.50
<b>Year to Date Variance</b>	<b>+ \$ 11,504.50</b>

ST. GABRIEL

CATHOLIC RADIO

**AM 820 FM 88.3**

CENTRAL OHIO SOUTHERN OHIO

## Heartbeats

Our parish family is adopting Heartbeats this year.

**January 5 is the deadline** for donations to Heartbeats. Please place donations in the back of either church.



## "We Three Kings" Who were the Magi?

The three kings are classic figures in every Nativity set. But who were the Wise Men, and what do we know about them?

We're not exactly sure who they were.

The evidence from the Gospels is found in the first 12 verses of

St. Matthew's account. All we can glean from that passage is that they are called Magi, or "magicians," that they came from the East to Jerusalem, and that they had seen a star announcing the birth of the King of the Jews.

The Gospel doesn't say there were three Wise Men. That idea comes from the three gifts they brought.

To track down who the Wise Men were, we must first look East. Most scholars think the Magi were Zoroastrian priest-astrologers from Persia.

However, none of this is recorded in Matthew's Gospel. Neither is there a mention that the Wise Men were kings — nor are there camels in Matthew's account. So, where did the idea come from that the Wise Men were camel-riding kings? The idea of three kings and the presence of camels is linked with two Old Testament prophecies.

Psalms 72:10-11 reads:

*"May the kings of Tarshish and the islands bring tribute, the kings of Sheba and Seba offer gifts.  
May all kings bow before him,  
all nations serve him."*

If we are looking to the Scriptures for evidence, the prophecy from Isaiah suggests that the Wise Men came from what is now Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Yemen. If so, they probably did come on camels, since Midian especially was known for its abundance of camels.



## EPIPHANY PARTY

**January 5  
in Kempf Hall.**

**Gather at 4:30 – eat at  
5:00 pm.**

**Please bring a covered  
dish.**

**Our children will present  
a program for us!**

**We'll end the evening  
with Crazy Bingo and a  
White Elephant Gift Ex-  
change.**

**If you want to participate  
in the gift exchange  
please bring a \$2—\$3**

## 2020 Columbus Catholic Women's Conference, Feb 15



**Register by January 12** to save on tickets using **early bird price** of \$40.  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm,  
Ohio Expo Center

### Speakers:

- ☼ Fr. Calloway who has a zeal for the Blessed Mother
- ☼ Fr. Rugirandgoga, a priest in Rwanda for 35 years. During the 1994 genocide, he lost more than 80 family members and 45,000 parishioners
- ☼ Sr. Miriam Heidland, a sister with the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity.

[www.columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://www.columbuscatholicwomen.com)

## Holy Land in October 2020

"Journey Through the Land of Israel" a 10 day Spiritual Journey

**Confirmed Dates: October 19-28**

**Confirmed Price: \$4,199 pp.** Includes: hotels, touring, entrance fees, breakfast & dinner daily + two lunches, tips, air-fare. Not included: optional travel insurance (\$276), drinks and personal items. Special guests are Fr. Don Franks and Fr. Tom Gardner.

## Gifts of the Magi

Where did the gold come from? Yemen is the present-day location of the ancient civilization of Sheba. The kingdom's fabulous wealth was based on gold mines in Ethiopia.

There are more intriguing clues based on three gifts. The Arabian peninsula — especially the area of Midian and Sheba — is the only place in the world where the specific plants grow from which are harvested the resin to make both incense and myrrh. These two rich gifts — used for their aroma and for medicinal purposes — were the cash crops of this part of the world.

The origin of the three gifts would indicate that the Wise Men came from the Arabian peninsula. And the gifts were not simply rich gifts offered to Christ, but were symbolic gifts from the kingdoms of their origin.

## 2020 Catholic Men of God Conference, Feb 22

**Register by January 20** to save on tickets using **early bird price** of \$40.  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Ohio Expo Center

### Speakers:

- ☼ Bishop Robert Brennan, 12th Bishop of the Diocese
- ☼ Jason Evert. Co-founder of the global ministry, "Chastity Project"
- ☼ Luke Fickrell, head football coach of the University of Cincinnati, "Well, it was God's plan.....and it works!"

For more information and to register go to [www.catholicmensministry.com](http://www.catholicmensministry.com)

Questions? Contact David Bonifant at 740-763-4647