

FOR THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGIES

Processional Hymn (4,8,10:30): #449 in *Worship*
 Order of the Mass: Front Page or #202 in *Worship*
 Glory to God (4,8,10:340): #320 in *Worship*
 Liturgy of the Word: #1021 in *Worship*
 Preparation Hymn (4,8,10:30): #450 in *Worship*
 Acclamations (4,8,10:30): #365, 366, 367, 382 in *Worship*
 Communion Litany (4,8,10:30): #606 in *Worship*
 Meditation: #454 in *Worship* – vs.



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

MASS INTENTIONS & REMEMBRANCES

Sat., 1/5 4:00 pm **Charles E. Monroe** (20th Anniv.),
Charles (72nd Anniv.) & **Nora** (44th Anniv.)
Monroe & Deceased of Monroe & Hourihan Families
(Remembrance) **Michael Chalifoux**, by family
(Remembrance) **Tommy Desautels**, by his mother
(Remembrance) **Robert Malone**, 7th Anniv. by family
(Remembrance) **James Cozza, Jr.**, 20th Anniv., by family
 Sun., 1/6 8:00 am **Marguerite McShera**, 20th Anniv.,
 by family
 10:30 am **Armand Desorcy**, 8th Anniv., by family
(Remembrance) **Lucille Gilman**, 5th Anniv.,
 by the Tremblay family
(Remembrance) **Deacon Robert** (23rd Anniv.) & **Alma**
 (34th Anniv.) **Tremblay**, by family
 6:00 pm **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Mon., 1/7 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Tue., 1/8 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Wed., 1/9 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Thu., 1/10 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Fri., 1/11 9:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 Sat., 1/12 4:00 pm **Bernard Gilmartin**, by family
(Remembrance) **Deacon Al Desautels**, 5th Anniv.,
 by family
 Sun., 1/13 8:00 am **Parishioners' Intentions**
 10:30 am **Gloria Fenuccio** (22nd Anniv.) &
Joe Fenuccio (1st Anniv.), by family
 6:00 pm **Sandra Larson**, by family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
 Mt 2:1-12
 Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5, 6a, 9b/Jn 3:22-30
 Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28,
 29-30/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Last weekend, we deposited the following donations:
 -- **Weekly Adult Offerings:** \$4,659.00
 (\$684.00 in loose offerings and \$3,975.00 in 177 envelopes)
 -- **Holy Dyas:** \$ 117.00
 -- **Christmas Collection:** \$6,965.00
 -- **Unrestricted Gifts:** \$ 550.00
 -- **Baptism Offering:** \$ 60.00
 -- **Outreach:** \$ 50.00
 -- **Funeral Offerings:** \$ 300.00
 -- **Christmas Flowers:** \$ 276.00
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 60.00
 -- **Family Center Donations:** \$ 661.00
 -- **Religious Retirement Fund:** \$ 43.00
 We also received the following online donations:
 -- **Adult Ordinary:** \$ 885.28
 -- **Children's Offering:** \$ 3.00
 -- **Maintenance Fund:** \$ 76.12
 -- **Family Center Donations:** \$ 10.00
 -- **Christmas:** \$ 225.00
 -- **Holy Day Collections:** \$ 10.00
 -- **St. Vincent de Paul:** \$ 10.00
 -- **Religious Retirement:** \$ 10.00

LITURGICAL MEMORIAL

The bread and wine being used at all Masses this week were donated in memory of *Charles E. Monroe and all the deceased of the Monroe & Hourihan Families* by Fr. Monroe and his brothers.

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of *Gladys Bello* and all our deceased relatives, friends and benefactors.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES

Religious Education classes resume for all grades this Sunday, January 6th at 9:00 am

Confirmation Preparation:

Candidates will begin the immediate preparation for Confirmation on Sunday, February 10 at 9:00 am in the school. The dates for other classes are February 24, March 3, 17, 24, 31 and April 7.

There will be a **session for their sponsors** on Sunday, January 27th at 9:15 am in the school hall.

First Communion Preparation:

The first session for parents of children who will be receiving Communion will be held on Sunday February 3rd at 9:15 am in the school hall. The first class for the children will be on Sunday, February 24 at 9:00 am in the school. The dates for other classes are March 3, 10 17, 12, 31 and April 7.

2018 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

Statements of 2018 contributions will be prepared and mailed to all households who have regularly requested one. If you have not asked for one in the past but would like one this year for income tax purposes, please call the rectory or request one by emailing Susan at sallard@ourladyofangels.org

BAPTISM

Last Sunday we baptized *Nola Brandt*. We congratulate her parents and pray they will help her grow in practicing her faith.

THIS YEAR'S LITURGICAL OBSERVANCES

Know, dear brothers and sisters, that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior.

On the **sixth** day of **March** will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **twenty-first** day of **April** we will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **twenty-seventh** day of **May** will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **second** day of **June**, we will observe the feast of Pentecost.

On the **ninth** day of **June** the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the **twenty-fourth** day of **November** we will bring the liturgical year to a close, observing the Feast of Christ the King.

On the **first** day of **December**, we will begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today, I appeal to you to give generously next weekend to the National Collection for The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Established in 1887, the University has served the Church, students and the community for generations and is the only American University with ecclesiastical faculties granting canonical degrees in canon law, philosophy and theology.

Catholic University is helping to renew and strengthen the Church. The University has always been the research institution where the Church comes to think. Through hosting a national conference series focused on laity response to the sex abuse crisis, and in creating an Institute for Diocesan Excellence in Administration (IDEA), where lay scholars and professionals can support clergy by providing expertise and accountability in the areas of education, finance, canon law, culture, and more, Catholic University will serve as a springboard in renewing and strengthening Catholicism in our country.

Catholic University serves the Church by engaging its students to discover knowledge and truth through excellence in teaching and research. With its 12 schools and 23 research centers, the University provides an exceptional Catholic education to almost 7,000 students annually. By way of its many programs, such as those in ethical business practices; classical architecture; intelligence studies; neuroscience; nursing; Spanish language and Hispanic ministry; social service; and Catholic bioethics the University prepares students to respond to the many issues facing the Church and society today.

I encourage you to be generous in the special collection for The Catholic University of America, to be taken at the Lord's Day Masses in all the parishes throughout the Diocese of Worcester next weekend, January 12 and 13.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

HALO 18 SUPPORT GROUP

Healing After Loss (from) Overdose is a support group that meets on the first Monday of each month to help family members cope with the loss of a loved one from drugs or alcohol. They meet at 7:00 pm in the Rieger Hall of our church. They will meet Monday, January 7th. For more information contact Aileen Lovejoy at 508-755-5041 or Deb Dowd-Foley at 508-248-5622.

MONTHLY DISMAS HOUSE MEAL

On the second Monday of each month – January 14th this month -- a group of parishioners prepares, serves and shares the meal with men living at the local facility that houses and assists people reintegrating in society after serving jail sentences.

If you would like to discuss either this ministry or volunteer to help, contact the rectory and we will put you in contact with the ministry coordinators.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun., January 6 – Feast of the Epiphany

8:00 am Lord's Day Mass

9:00 am K-9 Religious Education Classes

10:30 am Lord's Day Mass

6:00 pm Lord's Day Mass

Mon., January 7 – St. Raymond of Penyafort

9:00 am Daily Mass

Tue., January 8

9:00 am Daily Mass

Wed., January 9

9:00 am Daily Mass

Thu., January 10

9:00 am Daily Mass

Fri., January 11

9:00 am Daily Mass

Sat., January 12

3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

120 CLUB

The winner of last week's drawing is **Joan Sullivan - #177.**

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, January 12	4:00 pm	Fr. Monroe
Sunday, January 13	8:00 am	Fr. Dougherty
	10:30 am	Fr. Monroe
	6:00 pm	Fr. Monroe

TAIZE IN WORCESTER

The next prayer gathering is at Blessed Sacrament Church, 551 Pleasant St., Worcester on **Jan. 13 at 7 pm.** This is a style of sacred music and prayer developed in France by Catholics and Protestants to come together in song and prayer for peace in the world and unity in the Christian faith.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body"
(Ephesians 3:6)

At Epiphany, we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He has given each of us unique gifts. We all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Pray daily and ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one."

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