

# St. Patrick's Catholic Church

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## The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sat.	Jan.	2	7:00 pm	All Living and Deceased Souls
Sun.	Jan.	3	10:00 am	Fr. Dennis Lally
Sat.	Jan.	9	7:00 pm	Don Tate & deceased family members
Sun.	Jan.	10	10:00 am	Sarah Hall

### Your contributions:

12/19 & 12/20: Envelopes: \$1785.00, Offertory: \$179.00, Typhoon Collection: \$115.00

Christmas Eve: Envelopes: \$220.00, Offertory: \$394.00

Christmas Day/Mail: Envelopes: \$925.00, Offertory: \$99.00

12/26 & 12/27: Envelopes: \$625.00, Offertory: \$179.00

A belated Christmas thank you to Arnie Nienhaus for his annual nativity scene set up. We appreciate the time & effort all the Christmas volunteers put forth year after year to make the parish so beautiful.



Epiphany of the Lord (Three Kings) – Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation.

Food Drive ongoing – The food pantries are in need of supplies. They are serving almost twice as many families this year compared to last. Please bring your food donations and place them in the box provided. Thank you.

Religious Education – Classes resume Monday, January 4, 2021 – 6:00 pm – The year has been going well. Thank you for your participation in the variety of platforms, in person to virtual. May God Bless you today and always for giving the greatest gift, your Faith, to your children.

Dispensation from obligation to attend Sunday Mass reinstated - On Monday, October 5, Bishop Ricken reinstated the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in the diocese until further notice. Even with the reinstatement, we will continue to celebrate the Mass publically every weekend for those who are able to attend and willing to strictly follow the proper health protocols. During this time of increased infection, our parish will be even more vigilant in observing the health protocols shared in the diocesan guidelines to prevent the spread of disease and allow as many people as is safe to come to Mass without fear of infection. The wearing of masks is mandatory at Masses celebrated throughout our diocese. Thank you for your support and compliance as we as a community of faith come together to worship in safety.

The staff would like to remind winter churchgoers that all efforts are made to make our property safe. Use extreme caution when entering and exiting our church. If you find it difficult to come to Mass during days of snow or ice, don't venture out. God wants you physically and spiritually safe.

### Pope Francis' Intention for January:

That men and women of faith may be awakened by the Holy Spirit to share their relationship with Jesus Christ with others.

### Bishop Ricken's Intention for January:

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

### **New Year Prayer**

Thank you Lord for giving me the brand new year ahead.  
Help me live the way I should as each new day I tread.  
Give me gentle wisdom that I might help a friend.  
Give me strength and courage so a shoulder I might lend.  
The year ahead is empty, let me fill it with good things.  
Each new day filled with joy and happiness it brings. Amen