

Mass Schedule for January 4th-11th

- Sat. 4th 5:00 p.m. - Bob & Wilma Bruns (Visn)
(Fr. DD)
- Sat. 4th 7:00 p.m. - Parishioners (St. J) (Fr. DD)
- Sun. 5th 8:00a.m. - Pinky Broermann (St. M)
(Fr. DD)
- Sun. 5th 9:30a.m. - Gilbert Plute (St. J) (Fr. GV)
- Sun. 5th 11:00a.m. - Charles (Chuck) Theobald IV
(Visn) (Fr. DD)
- Mon. 6th 9:00a.m. - Kim Nusbaum (Visn)
- Tues. 7th 9:00a.m. - Vocations to the Priesthood
and Religious Life (Visn)
- Wed. 8th 12:00p.m. - Living & Deceased of the Bell
and Hansen Families (Visn)
- Thurs. 9th 9:00a.m. - Sick & Homebound of Our
Community (Visn)
- Fri. 10th 9:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased of the
Vonderhaar Family (Visn)
- Sat. 11th 5:00p.m. - Martha Copenhaver (Visn)
(Fr. DD)
- Sat. 11th 7:00p.m. - Holy Souls in Purgatory
(St. J) (Fr. DD)
- Sun. 12th 8:00a.m. - Dave Deaton (St. M) (Fr. DD)
- Sun. 12th 9:30a.m. - Fr. Charles Caserta (St. J)
(Fr. GV)
- Sun. 12th 11:00a.m. - Parishioners (Visn) (Fr. DD)

Confessions heard 30 minutes before weekend Masses

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek epiphaino, a verb that means ‘to shine upon,’ ‘to manifest,’ or ‘to make known.’ Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).



Calendar Visitation:

- Sun. Jan 5 RCIA 9:30 a.m.
- Mon. Jan 6 Parish Council 7:00 p.m.
- Tues. Jan 7 Faith & Fitness class 10 a.m.
- Wed. Jan 8 CCD 7 p.m.
- Thurs. Jan 9 Faith & Fitness class 10 a.m.
- Sun. Jan 12 RCIA 9:30 a.m.

Calendar St. John:

- Sun. Jan Gifts presented by Dan & Cindy Kramer
- Tues. Jan 7 Recitation of the Rosary at 5:30 p.m.

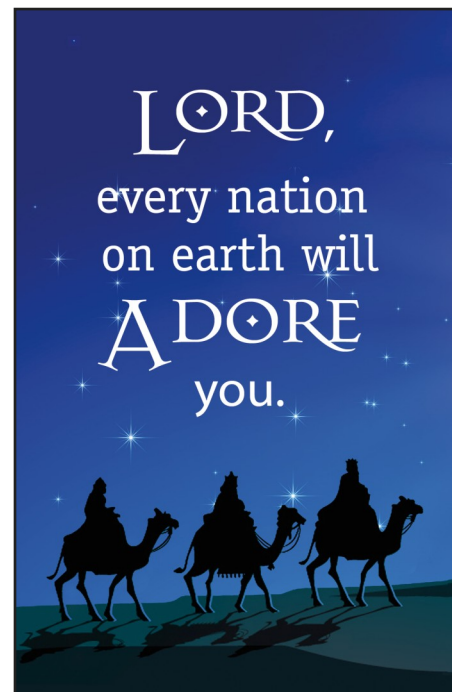
Calendar St. Mary:

- Sun. Jan 5 Breakfast in the Basement following Mass.

MEN, ARMOR UP! REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-e6-catholic-mens-conference-tickets-74532549863>

This year's conference features nationally renowned speakers Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Donald Calloway and Doug Barry. Be a part of one of the largest and most dynamic gatherings of Catholic men in the tri-state area.



Stewardship Moments from 'What Can I Do? 8 Ways to Help Build Community in Your Parish'

by Leisa Anslinger

“As we see the difference faith makes in the lives of other parishioners, we will be inspired to grow and live in faith ourselves.”

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Part II on THE FAMILY:

Pope Francis gave the following responses in regards to family life: “And we need simplicity to pray as a family: simplicity is necessary! Praying the Our Father together, around the table, is not something extraordinary: it’s easy. And praying the Rosary together, as a family, is very beautiful and a source of great strength! And also praying for one another! The husband for his wife, the wife for her husband, both together for their children, the children for their grandparents...praying for each other. This is what it means to pray in the family and it is what makes the family strong: prayer.” How often do we pray together as a family? Is prayer a regular part of our daily routine as a family? If not, what prayer routine needs to start to bring God’s viewpoint into our family life?

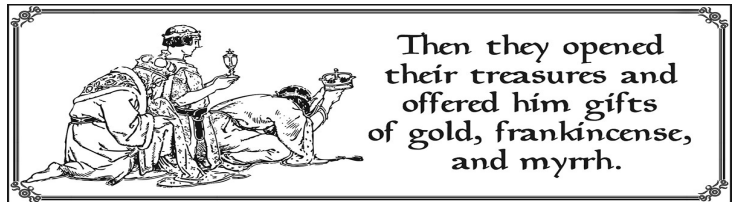
“I am very fond of dreams in families. For nine months every mother and father dreams about their baby. Am I right? They dream about what kind of child he or she will be. . . . You can’t have a family without dreams. Once a family loses the ability to dream, children do not grow, love does not grow, life shrivels up and dies. So I ask you each evening, when you make your examination of conscience, to also ask yourselves this question: Today did I dream about my children’s future? Today did I dream about the love of my husband, my wife? Did I dream about my parents and grandparents who have gone before me? Dreaming is very important. Especially dreaming in families. Do not lose this ability to dream! How many difficulties in married life are resolved when we leave room for dreaming; when we stop for a moment to think of our spouse and dream about the goodness present in everything around us. So it is very important to reclaim love by what we do each day. Do not ever stop being newlyweds!” How often do husband and wife maintain a “date night,” that is, a specific time set aside for just them to dream God’s dream for their love and life together?

“About trying to reconcile working hours with family time. . . [L]et me tell you one thing. . . .

When a young mom or dad comes, I ask: “How many children do you have?” and they tell me. And I ask another question, always: “Tell me: do you play with your children?” Most of them answer: “What are you asking, Father?” “Yes, yes: do you play? Do you spend time with your children?” We are losing this capacity, this wisdom of playing with our children.

The economic situation pushes us to this, to lose this. Please, spend time with our children!” How much time do we spend time playing and undistracted time with our children or grandchildren? ? Perhaps this Christmas has reminded us once again of the gift of children. Enjoy spending time with your kids, for such as these belongs the kingdom of heaven.

God love you,
Fr. David Doseck



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2020 PARISH CALENDARS are now available for our parish families. Please pick one up.

Offertory

Information about collections was not available before the deadline to submit the bulletin.

Remember the Book from Christmas? Fr. David Doseck would like to host six evenings of reflection on the book, *Rediscovering the Saints*. Each session is hosted on a Tuesday evening at 6:30pm-7:30pm at Visitation Church Hall (or Basement). Starts on Tues. - Jan. 21st thru Feb. 25th. No need to RSVP. It will be a great time spent together talking about our favorite saints and the thoughts provoked from reading the free Christmas book you received.