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January 6, 2019
Epiphany of the Lord

Worship the newborn King

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MASS TIMES

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.;
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Weekdays: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Fridays: 12:05 p.m.
Check bulletin for Holy Day Schedules.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 9 am—2pm

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Fr Jim's Jottings

Today's feast of the Epiphany has many messages for us.

The wise men were willing to leave the comfort and security of home to search for something new. This could not have been an easy trip but their determination and commitment could inspire us in the challenges we face in the New Year.

The wise men are representative of the non-Jewish people who recognized and embraced the Savior of the world. Are we just as "wise" in realizing how precious our faith is? Do we treasure our faith by practicing it daily?

The wise men brought symbolic gifts for the newborn Savior. How often do we think of giving gifts to our Lord? Even though He needs nothing, we have a need to show our gratitude. What can you offer our Lord during this New Year?



Calendar RaffleTerrific SUCCESS!

This past week we concluded the sale of our Raffle Calendars. Thank you to everyone who either purchased or sold these calendars. As of last weekend we have made a profit of \$26,060..... Outstanding! That surpasses last year's record setting result. THANK YOU again for helping to make this a very successful fundraiser.

Got a Pyx?



When people want to take Communion to a shut-in, they ask for a container called a Pyx to put the host in. We usually have plenty of them for people to borrow. If you have used one in the past and no longer need it, would you return it to the Parish Office? Thank you!

Congratulations to Our Weekly Calendar Raffle Winners!

- December 23: Ann Ritchie- \$25.00
- December 24: St. Joe's Food Pantry - \$25.00
- December 25: Trisha Pankratz - \$100.00
- December 26: Hinze Family - \$25.00
- December 27: Yolanda Jensen- \$25.00
- December 28: Kylie Husman - \$25.00
- December 29: Zach & Whitney Moureau - \$25.00

Please Pray for...

Please pray for all parishioners who are ill:

**Rick Rohde, Barb Meyer, Joe Martin, Eileen Moleski,
Donald Gossen, Joyce Kohanski**

Please also remember our nursing home residents and shut-ins.

Please remember to pray for our parishioners or family members of our parishioners who have died, **Bob VanDerLoop**



Retired Religious Collection

THANK YOU!

St. Joe's collected \$8040 for this collection to support our retired diocesan priests and retired religious. Thank you so much for supporting these men and women who worked so hard for us for many years.

GIVING TREE COLLECTION UPDATE

Our Giving Tree Collection was greatly supported by you - our parishioners. We collected \$7040 for four of the five organizations. We are estimating that we collected another \$1000 for the Outagamie County Mental Health group.

Everyday Stewardship

"The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke was first published in 1895. It tells the fictional story of Artaban, a fourth wise man who began a journey to visit Jesus, the newborn King. Unlike his fellow Magi, he failed to make it there for the birth of Jesus because he kept pausing to help various people in need. In fact, it took him about 33 years of searching before his quest comes to an abrupt end when he is hit in the head with a falling roof shingle. His final breath takes place in Jerusalem near the place where Jesus is being crucified. As he lies dying, he hears the voice of Jesus telling him that the gifts he has given all along the way to "the least of these" he has actually given to Jesus himself.

If you have never read this story or seen the made-for-television movie based on the tale, you really should seek it out. It is a story that reminds us of a profound truth: Jesus himself rests in the lives of all those around us in need. In the story, it was the wise man's constant response to a stewardship call that prevented him from getting where he wanted to go. In the end, where he needed to go was more significant than where he thought he should go.

If we live lives of generosity and graciousness, we may find ourselves on constant detours from the road on which we are traveling. It is in the detours and the unexpected circumstances of our journey that often times we find our true purpose in life. We think God is somewhere we must travel to, when in reality, God is closer than we think in the least likely of places.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Got Questions? ALPHA Winter 2019

Join others for food, fellowship, a video and great discussions. Invite friends and family! No charge and no need to be parish members.

Below are the upcoming opportunities: (We need to have 10 participants for a group to be feasible.)

- Sun. 11:00am-12:30pm St. Mary**
- Sun. 5:00pm-6:30pm St. Joseph**
- Wed. 6:00am-7:15am St. Joseph**
- Thurs. 9:00am-10:30am St. Joseph**
- Thurs. 1:00pm-2:30pm St. Joseph**
- Thurs. 5:30pm-7:00pm St. Mary**
- Fri. 8:30am-10:00am St. Mary**

(All opportunities begin the week of Jan. 20, 2019)

Contact Mary Ann Otto with questions or to sign-up at motto@stmaryparish.org or 739-5119

Tuesday Book Club

Are you interested in sharing your thoughts on books you read? Here is a group to do that with. The following dates and books are their next dates. For location or other questions, call Jessica at 920-251-3388 or email to

jessicajmichels@gmail.com

January 8th: *Defying Gravity* by Joe Sikorra

February 5th: *Out of the Easy* by Ruta Sepetys

March 5th: *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann



Upcoming Events:

- January 19—4pm 1st Eucharist Enrollment, Church
- January 20—10 am 1st Eucharist Enrollment, Church
- January 26—Xavier Catholic Schools “Celebrate”,
Fox Cities Expo Center
- January 27—1 pm Parish & Family Life Bowling Event
- January 27—February 2: Catholic Schools Week
- February 1—12:30 pm - Eucharistic Holy Hour



Financial News

Tithing Needed.....	\$17,480.00
Last Week's Tithing.....	\$13,496.99
Auto Withdrawal.....	\$755.00
Christmas Tithing.....	\$17,812.00
Children's Collection.....	\$62.75

Parish Support Through Collections

Budgeted 7/1/18—11/30/18:

\$372,083.33

Actual 7/1/18-11/30/18:

\$386,727.95

Thank you for your Generosity!

Outreach Programs

St. Joseph Milk Money.....	\$1119.66
November Food Program	\$70.00
LEAVEN.....	\$45.00
Fox Valley Warming Shelter.....	\$48.00

Thank You!

Readings for the Week of January 6, 2019

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



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Xavier Catholic Schools Corner

Families of 8th Graders:

Get ready to build your child's academic and faith-based future! **Mark your calendars to join us at Xavier High School for Freshman Registration**



Nights on Mon., Jan. 28 or Tues., Jan. 29. The Xavier High School curriculum will be described, course selection advice will be provided, and families will be able to select courses for the 2019-2020 school year. Information on scholarship and financial opportunities will be available. The programs will begin in the Xavier High School theatre at 7:00 p.m. Program details available here. **We look forward to welcoming members of our Class of 2023!**

Parents with children in Grades 5—8 next fall:

Considering your middle school options? Don't miss Xavier Middle School's parent and student Preview Night on Wed., January 16, 2018 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Take a tour, attend break out sessions, learn about WEB mentoring and see what opportunities are in store for your future 5th-8th grade student, including: STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics), Service, World Language, Athletics and Co-Curriculars. No RSVP required. More information is available from Admissions at [920-735-9380](tel:920-735-9380) or by email to Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org.

Looking into Pre-K for fall?

You and your child are invited to a **Peek Into Pre-K at Xavier Elementary on Thursday, Jan. 24.** Our Pre-K teachers will provide a sampling of our nurturing, academically enriching, and faith-filled programs. The program will run from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at both Xavier Elementary McDonald Street and Xavier Elementary Marquette Street. Enrollment for the 19-20 school year will begin on Feb. 1. To reserve your spot or for more information please reach out to Admissions at (920)735-9380 or Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org. All are welcome!

IPRF NEWS

There are no Religion Classes on January 9. Classes resume on January 16.

2nd Grade Parents - First Communion Meetings

2nd grade parents, both IPRF and Catholic Day School, are expected to attend one of our First Communion Parent Meetings. It is offered twice; please choose the meeting that is most convenient for you:

Tuesday, January 8, 6:30-7:30 PM

St. Joseph, Holly Hall

OR

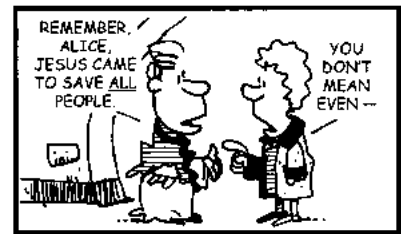
Thursday, January 10, 6:30-7:30 PM

St. Mary, Community Room

Parent First Communion Materials for home study with their children and banner kits will be distributed at this meeting.



EPIPHANY



CIA-Faith Mission Operatives



Mike Mauthe presents:

**Back on the Road to Emmaus:
What the Early Church Can Teach Us**

MONDAY, JAN. 14, 2019, 7 P.M.

Members of the Early Church were ridiculed, persecuted and even put to death. But they would not, *could not*, stop telling the world about Jesus of Nazareth. With words, actions and lifestyles, they converted nearly half of the Roman Empire to Christianity within a few centuries.

What was it that allowed them to literally transform their world? Two millennia later, in another age of great hostility toward Christians, there's much we can learn from these trailblazers. Walk back in time with Mike Mauthe, Xavier principal and beloved educator and theology scholar who has a gift for making subjects engaging and relevant.

BONUS OPPORTUNITY! – As a follow-up, Mike will offer a 3-session course on those who shaped the Early Church (up to & including the Council of Nicea in 325.)
DATES: Mondays Jan 21, Feb 11 & 25; 7 p.m. at Xavier
Sign up at program or email ciafmo@gmail.com

Xavier Fine Arts Theatre

1600 W Prospect Ave., Appleton, WI

No tickets needed / Free will offering encouraged
For details, google CIAFMO or call 920-450-3025

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WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

12:05 pm Dec. Glenn Francken

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

12:05 pm Dec. Jerry Kunstman
12:35 pm St. Anthony Devotions

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

12:05 pm Ruth Hebert

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

4:00 pm Dec. Gene Hipp and Ellen, Susan, Patricia,
Christopher & Carmine

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 am Dec. Ed & Mary Sullivan
10:00 am Dec. Gierl Family Members
6:30 pm Dec. Rock & Anita Rodrigues

THIS WEEK in OUR PARISH

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

6:30 pm IPRF Task Force, Rm. 214
6:30 pm Welcoming Committee, Rm. 209
7:00 pm Faith & Light Class, Rm. LL11

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

9:30 am OFS Board Meeting, Rm. LL11
6:00 pm Tuesday Book Club, TBD (see note page 3)
6:30 pm 1st Eucharist (Communion) Parent Meeting,
Holly Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

1:00 pm Seniors' Committee Meeting, Rm. LL11
NO IPRF CLASSES
6:00 pm Catechist In-service, Holly Hall

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

6:30 pm 1st Eucharist (Communion) Parent Meeting,
St Mary Community Room
6:30 pm Parish & Family Life, Rm. LL09
7:00 pm Baptismal Prep Session, Rm. 209

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 am Private Reconciliation, Church
9:00 am Engaged Couples' Retreat, Parish Center

Blood Pressure Screening

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

Blood Pressure Screening

WELCOME...

In December, we welcomed into the St. Joseph Community through Baptism.....

Lincoln Thomas Chiolino
Calvin Kyle Haas
Charlotte Rae Werley



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Parents of 2nd graders: please attend one of the two Parent Meetings offered this week either Tuesday January 8 at 6:30 pm at St. Joe's or Thursday January 10 at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's. You choose the place to attend.
- 2) Catechist In-Service takes place on Wed. Jan. 9 at 6 pm in Holly Hall.
- 3) Blood Pressure Screening next weekend after Masses.

WWDWWD (Why We Do What We Do)

*Why are the Christmas decorations still up in church?
Most people have taken them down in their homes?*

The Church celebrates liturgical seasons throughout the year. For four weeks prior to Christmas we celebrate Advent, a time to prepare for Christ's birth. Christmas begins on Dec 25th. (In our civil society Christmas might begin even before Halloween when all the stores are decorated). Christmas is celebrated in Church from Dec 25th till the Baptism of the Lord (this year that is on Jan 13th). So, after next weekend we will be taking down our decorations.

SCRIP Sales — New Year's Resolution

"Save Money, but Contribute More to St. Joe's"

How you may ask? Purchase SCRIP Gift Cards. Buying SCRIP Cards provides St. Joe's with extra money without taking any more out of your pocket. **From the November SCRIP Sales, St. Joe's earned \$812.37.** WOW isn't that amazing! What could we make if everyone purchase some SCRIP every month?

EXAMPLE of how you can use SCRIP for yourself and still help St. Joe's:

Purchase:

2- \$50 Kwik Trip Cards (you always buy gas)

2- \$50 Festival's Cards (you always buy food)

2- \$50 Kohl's Cards (you can use to pay your

Kohl's charge bill, too)

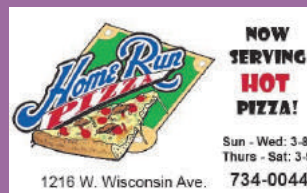
Now isn't that an easy way to help St. Joe's without spending anymore money!

You can purchase your SCRIP gift cards this weekend and the following weekends of **January 19/20, February 2/3 and 16/17.**

If what you want to purchase is not available, you can order and it will be here the next time SCRIP is sold. Thank you to all who use SCRIP. If you aren't using SCRIP, try it this week!



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THANK YOU!