

Diocese of Peoria

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## January 3, 2021

### The Epiphany of the Lord



*"There came Magi from the East to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is the newly born King of the Jews? . . . We have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him'" Matthew 2*

#### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Outdoor Communion Sundays: 9:30 - 10:00 am

#### Reconciliation:

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

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Just Faith: ..... Deacon O'Rourke  
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*We warmly welcome new parishioners & ask them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.*



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

MONDAY, January 4

8:00 am Lois Hull +

TUESDAY, January 5

8:00 am Bob Reade +

Saint John Neumann

WEDNESDAY, January 6

8:00 am Jacob Biamonte +, & Stella Capriotti +

9:00 am There will not be a Mass this Wednesday

Christmas Weekday

THURSDAY, January 7

5:45 pm Bill Miller +

Christmas Weekday

FRIDAY, January 8

8:00 am Communion Service

Christmas Weekday

SATURDAY, January 9

5:00 pm Virginia Humbert +

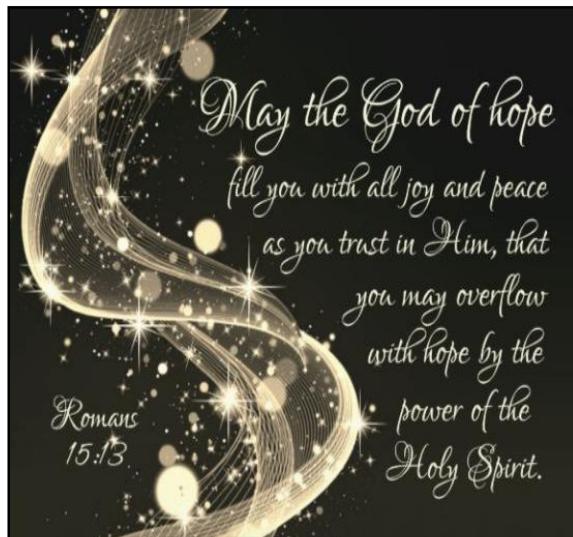
Vigil of the Baptism  
of the Lord

SUNDAY, January 10

8:15 am People of the Parish

10:30 am Russell Ward +

Baptism of the Lord



*The Rosary is recited after weekday morning Masses*

Weekend Mass Schedules for Sacred Heart in  
Annawan and St. Anthony's in Atkinson

**St. Anthony**

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

**Sacred Heart**

8:00 am Sunday

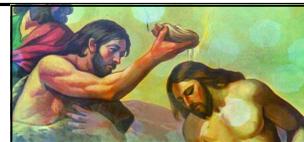
**OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon - Thurs 8 am - 3 pm; Fridays 8 -1.

Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than  
12:00 noon on Tuesdays. Thank you.

READINGS FOR JANUARY 10, 2021 BAPTISM OF THE LORD

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:1-22 "All you that thirst, come to the waters: and you that have no money make haste, buy, and eat: come ye, buy wine and milk without money, and without any price."



2nd Reading: I John 5:1-9 "This is He that came by water and blood, Jesus Christ: not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit which testifies, that Christ is the Truth."

Gospel: Mark 1:7-11 "And it came to pass, in those days, Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And forthwith coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit as a dove descending, and remaining on him. And there came a voice from heaven: Thou art my beloved Son; in Thee I am well pleased."

January 3, 2021



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

**Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Epiphany of the Lord!** *This weekend, we commemorate those events in the life of the Lord, which are regarded as epiphanies - revelations of the identity, power and authority of the Lord. First among them is the visit of the Magi, who came in homage to the Newborn King. This was a tremendous moment in the life of the Holy Family. Let us strive to live this whole year with the Holy Family, allowing Our Lady to teach us to ponder in our hearts the ways in which the Lord reveals Himself to us. As we do so, we also allow Saint Joseph to teach us the kind of obedience that is rooted in trust and love. Last weekend, I spoke of how Saint Joseph can be a kind of father in the faith to us all and how fitting it is that Pope Francis has declared this Liturgical Year to be a Year of Saint Joseph! I also offered a challenge and invitation to all of our families: "Go to Joseph. Invite him into your home. Do not allow this Year of Joseph to be merely something you are occasionally reminded of when you come to Church." Rather, I asked all to consider and discuss how you can invite Saint Joseph to be a true spiritual father in your home. Secondly, I asked people to share with me what you are doing so that I can share some of that Good News with the rest of the parish. Who all is included in this invitation? Everyone, of course. All parishioners are a part of the family of the Lord, as well as having members of one's extended family for whom you are called to pray. In other words, I would love to hear from anyone and everyone what you are doing to honor Saint Joseph and allow him to be a more effective spiritual father to you. There are others within the parish who would benefit from hearing or reading examples of what a young family with children, or grandparents, or widows or widowers, or single people can do to celebrate the Year of Joseph.*

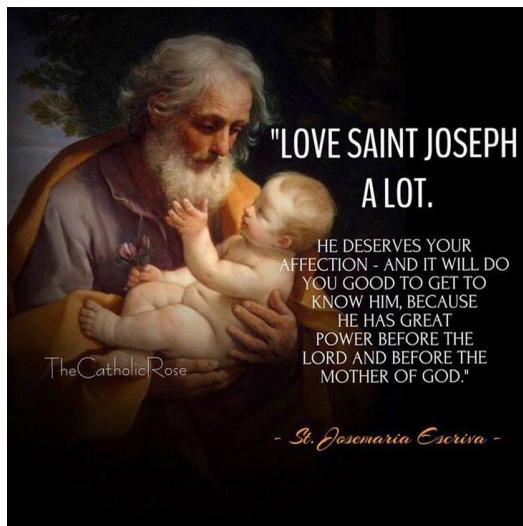
*So, please don't hesitate to share!*

**A SINCERE THANK YOU:** Please allow me to extend a very sincere and enthusiastic thank you to all who remembered me this Christmas with cards, treats and gifts. I am humbled by the generosity of so many! Your prayers alone are all that I need and more than I deserve. Still, I am grateful and overwhelmed. I experienced a new first this year. Never before have I had an entire shelf of my refrigerator devoted to chocolate, even while my freezer is filling up with various types of breads! Thank you. Please know of my prayers in return.

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Daniel P. Gifford

St. Malachy, Pray for us



# RESPECT LIFE

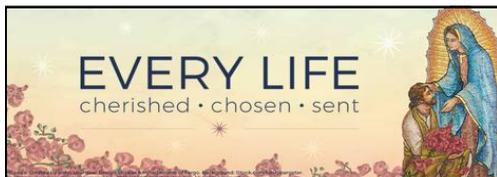
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## Baby Articles Collection

In honor of January's Respect Life month, St. Malachy's Respect Life Committee will be collecting money to purchase Heaven Sent Gift Cards to donate to Pregnancy Resource Center in Moline and the Women's Choice Center in Davenport. We are saddened that we can't accept gifts and donations as we have in the past due to the pandemic, but there are so many needs at this time we came up with this alternative. Please write your checks out to St. Malachy's and place in an envelope clearly marked "Respect Life". You may drop these envelopes in the collection baskets or take to the church office.

Thank you for your generosity!



*We wish to thank all of our friends and the Circles of St. Malachy's for your cards and generous gifts at Christmas!*

*Thank you!*

Dcn Harley & Mary Chaffee,  
Dcn Larry & Audrey Honzel,  
Dcn Robert & Kathy O'Rourke,  
Dcn Art & Cindy Ries,  
Dcn Mike & Barb Sigwalt  
& Dcn Tom & Alana Wachtel

## House Blessing on the Epiphany of the Lord

January 6, 2021

Chalk that has been blessed will be available near the doors of the Narthex the weekend of Jan. 2nd and 3rd. You may also use your own chalk if you are unable to attend church at this time.

Read the following prayer, and then mark the doorframe of the front door to your house with the initials of the legendary names of the three Magi, along with the current year, as follows:

20 + C(aspar) + M(elchior) + B(althazar) + 21

"Blessed are You, Lord God of all creation: by the guidance of a star You led the Magi to your Son, and by the light of faith You bring us to know Him as Lord, the Messiah You have sent.

Bless us as we use this chalk to mark our door in Your honor. May the homes where this prayer is prayed be dwelling places of goodness, humility, self-control, mutual respect for one another, hospitality toward strangers, and loving obedience to Your word.

May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus Christ who is Lord forever and ever. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen."



We are in need of more people to serve as greeters; ushers, lectors and commentators for Masses. We will train you! Please contact the office if you can help.



## January Liturgy Leanings Cycle B

The Christmas cycle doesn't end on Christmas Day but continues into January. We also begin the Ordinary Time readings in January. The Baptism of Christ and the call of the disciples help us to reflect on our own calling.

January 1: Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God: "...Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart". May we also reflect on the goodness of God.

January 3: Epiphany of the Lord: We celebrate the gift of God, Jesus, a gift offered to ALL people.

January 4: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: First Native-born American saint and founder of schools.

January 5: St. John Neumann, Bishop

January 10: The Baptism of the Lord: Isn't it marvelous that we, like Christ, are beloved by God?

January 17: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Like Samuel, Andrew, and Peter, we are reminded of our own call to testify to the presence of God in our lives.

January 20: St. Fabian, bishop and martyr and St. Sebastian, martyr, patron of soldiers and athletes.

January 21: St. Agnes, virgin and martyr, patron of young girls.

January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children: On this day let us remember that all life is sacred.

January 24: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: As Jesus calls Peter, Andrew, James, and John, let us also heal our divisions and follow the Light of the World.

January 25: Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle.

January 26: St. Timothy, and Titus, bishops, followers of St. Paul. St. Titus is the patron saint of the United States Army Chaplain Corps

January 28: St. Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church and patron of students and universities.

January 31: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: May we become more aware of the tremendous love God has for his people.

## *CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND - 2020*

The flowers and other decorations used on the altar and in the sanctuary this Christmas Season were provided by Parish Families as their gift or memorial to their loved ones. We thank them for their contribution to the beauty of the season. The Flower Fund will be a continuous project of the Liturgy Committee and we welcome your continued support throughout the year.

Mary Kathryn & Carl Anderson (Steven & Julie DePauw)

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Deceased members of the Beck & Kanute families (Don & Vera Beck)

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Our loved ones (Rodney & Dorothy Remme)

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Bob Reade (Jo Reade)



## *CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND - 2020 (cont)*

### In Memory Of:

Charles Webb, Deceased members of the Jodts & Webb families (Joyce Webb)

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Deceased members of the Carroll & Mariman families (Patricia Mariman)

Kelly Holevoet, Edward & Dorothy VanMeenen (Randy & Kim VanMeenen)

Ron & Vivian Luikart, Jim, Mildred & Richard Widman (Joan & Jim Luikart)

Deceased members of our families (Robert & Kathy O'Rourke)

Margie Fitzgerald & John Fitzgerald Sr. (Helen Fitzgerald))





GIFTS FOR GOD'S PURPOSES

December 27, 2020

Weekly Gifts	(Goal: \$13,000)	\$26,635
School Endow.	(Goal: \$ 750)	\$310
Paraclete Fund	(Goal: \$ 750)	\$260
Capital Improve.	(Goal: \$ 750)	\$370

Week 26	Budget	Actual	Avg	Variance
Weekly	\$338,000	\$344,241	\$13,240	\$6,241
School End.	\$19,500	\$13,810	\$531	(\$5,690)
Paraclete	\$19,500	\$15,030	\$578	(\$4,470)
Cap Improve.	\$19,500	\$14,039	\$540	(\$5,461)

<u>Special Collections:</u>	This Week:	Total:
Religious Retirement Fund	\$100	\$1,815
Christmas	\$7,180	\$10,135

**Parish Sacrificial Giving:**

1% donated to Geneseo Food Pantry

**ADA 2020**

**Goal \$74,073.00**

**Pledged \$78,768.00**

**Contributed \$63,776.00**

**Number of Pledges: 197**



DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Please Pray for these Seminarians:

*Nathan Hopper*

*Blake Miller*

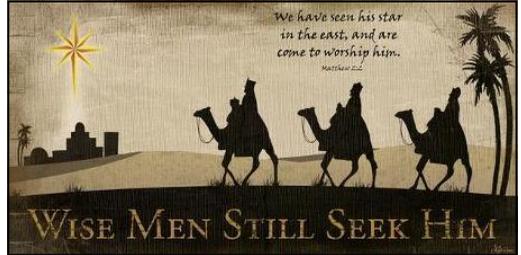
*Patrick Deneen*

*Ryan Mann*

*Jacob Martini*

*Luke Olson*

*Jonathan Robinson*



"...suddenly some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east asking, 'Where is the infant King of the Jews? We saw His star as it rose and have come to do Him homage.'" Matthew 2:1-12

Is the Lord GOD calling you to come do Him homage and help others seek Him by sharing the Good News as a priest or consecrated religious? If so, please contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink: 309-671-1550



Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 3 - 8 pm    Thursdays 4:30 pm  
(8:30 am First Fridays & Saturdays)

"The Holy Eucharist is the continuation of Christ's incarnation on earth. The mystery of the Eucharist gives us the joy of having Christmas every day. When we come to the Blessed Sacrament we come to Bethlehem, a name which means "house of bread." Jesus chose to be born in Bethlehem because He would dwell with us forever as the "Living Bread" come down from heaven. When the shepherds and Magi came to adore Him, they brought Him so much joy with their humble visit to Bethlehem that their visit has been praised and retold down through the centuries. God has never stopped honoring them for honoring His Son in Bethlehem. So too, your humble visit to Jesus today in the Blessed Sacrament brings Him so much joy that it will be retold for all eternity and bring the world closer to His promise of peace on earth." – St. Teresa of Calcutta

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