

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 6th-The Epiphany of the Lord
7:30 A.M. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
9:30 A.M. STEPHEN HUDOCK—Wife & Children
11:00 A.M. CHRISTINE & JOHN NEES—Mary Wolfe

Monday, January 7th-St Raymond of Penafort
8:00 A.M. GREGORY GASPARI—Brenda & Gino Gaspari

Tuesday, January 8th
8:00 A.M. THOMAS J. STRICEK—Mom, Art, Les & Bobby

Wednesday, January 9th
8:00 A.M. MARY & THOMAS DALY—Joseph & Sharon Daly

Thursday, January 10th
8:00 A.M. WILLIAM EMKEY—The Emkey Family

Friday, January 11th
8:00 A.M. JAMES & PATRICIA DALLAS—J.M. Dallas

Saturday, January 12th
5:00 P.M. VINCENZO BITETTO—Dr. & Mrs. Nicola Bitetto

Sunday, January 13th-The Baptism of the Lord
7:30 A.M. STELLA MAYER—The Emkey Family
9:30 A.M. DOMENICO & ALFONSINA ZAMPELLA—Vittoria & Giuseppe Maturi
11:00 A.M. IVANA PANTALONE—Mica Accordino

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Both children and adults enjoy giving and receiving gifts: it seems to be part of the human condition. For the receiver there is an element of surprise. What could it be? Perhaps some anticipation comes with opening the gift and there is a sense of wonder. For the giver there is the joy of generosity, in seeing the look on the face of the one who receives. There is the joy that comes in

simply thinking of the other and providing something for the other not because it was earned, but instead because it comes from a place of generosity. Stories of gifts given and received are numerous in the Scriptures, antiquity, and history. They come to be part of family and friend lore as well. It's likely that man of us can quickly call to mind gifts that we've given or received. The gifts given by the Magi in some way represent or symbolize the best physical objects that humanity has to offer. And Jesus is the best that God has to offer. By the conclusion of the gospel story humanity will have executed Jesus, the gift of God, only to have God raise Him up from the dead. This expression of the Paschal mystery guides our thoughts today when the Magi present the best of human intentions.

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CENTENNIAL PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

If you had your picture taken for the 100th Year Parish Pictorial Directory, please stop by the rectory to pick up your directory during normal business hours. Thanks for your patience!

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 42:1-4; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17

ALTAR SERVER'S SCHEDULE

January 7th through January 9th
8:00 A.M. Angelina Chi, Kylie Weiger

January 10th through January 11th
8:00 A.M. John Maurer, Jackson Gasperack

January 12th/13th-2nd Sunday of the Year
5:00 P.M. John & Andrew Maurer, Lourdes Posadas
7:30 A.M. Kit & Boomer Schroder
9:30 A.M. Matthew Deemer, David Giles
11:00 A.M. Daniel & Fay Moser, Adam Sichler

† MEMORIAL SOCIETY †

The following has been enrolled in Sacred Heart's Memorial Society:

By: Najah Hanna
The Gieringer Family

CANDLE OFFERINGS

Blessed Virgin Mary

Special Intention our Parents & Family—The O'Rourke Family
Special Intention Shannon—Grammy
Special Intention Robert Stricek—Grandma
Special Intention Carolyn Shivers—Ginny

St. Joseph—In Memory of:
Joseph Stricek—Ginny
Thomas Stricek—Mom
Special Intention our Parents & Family—The O'Rourke Family
Sanctity of Fatherhood

LIFE AD 2019

Sign-ups for Life Ad will be held at the fundraising desk in the narthex of the Church after all the Masses January 5th/6th and January 12th/13th. This pro-life ad will be published in the Reading Eagle on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2019. Sponsors will be asked to contribute \$6 for individuals or \$12 for couples/families. Your names will be displayed in the ad under our parish name. Life Ad is a public declaration against abortion and a fundraiser for Mary's Shelter/Home, a Reading area organization which provides an alternative to abortion for pregnant women who have nowhere else to turn. Last year's Life Ad raised \$10,246 and contained 862 names. The deadline for registration is Sunday, January 13th.

SENIORS NEWS

Come and join the fun on Monday, January 7th because we are celebrating Everybody's Birthday! The festivities will begin at 1 PM in the Wachter Room for cake, ice cream and a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday! Don't miss out on all the fun! Come and bring a friend along!



SHRINE VOTIVE OFFERINGS

Anyone wishing to have a candle or candles burn at the shrines to St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary as a memorial or special intention for any particular Sunday/week, contact the office (610) 372-4010. The usual offering for the memorial candle is \$5.00. There are many weekends open.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, January 7th
 7:30 A.M. Recitation of the Rosary
Monday through Friday
 8:30 A.M. Fatima/Novena Rosary Group—Bornemann
 1:00 P.M. Seniors' Meeting—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. Parish Council—Wachter
 7:00 P.M. Classical Choir Rehearsal—Church

Tuesday, January 8th
 8:30 A.M. Adoration Begins—Chapel
 5:00 P.M. Legion of Mary—Bornemann
 10:00 P.M. Adoration Ends—Chapel

Wednesday, January 9th
 9:30 A.M. Bible-Sharing—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. RCIA—Bornemann
 7:30 P.M. Contemporary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 10th
 1:00 P.M. Knitters & Crocheters—Bornemann
 7:00 P.M. W.I.N.E.—Wachter

THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION on January 12th & 13th for Tuition Assistance.

W.I.N.E.

The W.I.N.E. (Women in the New Evangelization) Book Club will be starting a new book on January 10. "Walk in Her Sandals" by Kelly Wahlquist views the Passion of Christ through the eyes of the women who played a part. Come join the discussion! For more info, contact Marsha Gleason (610) 256-0746 or Margaret Hueske (484) 706-0301.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Do you like to work with children? Are you ready to re-enter the work force, or change positions to something fun and fulfilling where you get smiles, hugs and the satisfaction of sharing the love of Jesus with 5 and 6 year olds? We have an opening in our Kindergarten for an aide. Hours are 7:00-3:00. Applicants must possess a high school diploma and all required clearances, and be able to keep up with a busy classroom. Please email resumes to knapolitano@sacredheartreading.org, or contact the school at (610) 373-3316.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION!

Make 2019 the year you resolve to improve your marriage! Attend a **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** weekend and learn how. For information call 1-732-904-9636 or visit www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org.

January brings the 46th **Annual MARCH FOR LIFE** on Friday, January 18th at the National Mall in Washington D.C. For more information go to www.marchforlife.org. The Knights will have more information available in the coming weeks.

LET US PRAY

In your charity, please pray for the priests of our diocese, and in particular this week, remember:

- ✠ 7 January—Rev. Leo J. Maletz
- ✠ 8 January—Rev. Msgr. John J. Martin
- ✠ 9 January—Rev. John J. Martinez
- ✠ 10 January—Rev. Keith A. Mathur
- ✠ 11 January—Rev. William T. McCandless
- ✠ 12 January—Rev. Msgr. John B. McCann
- ✠ 13 January—Rev. Robert J. McConaghy

You are invited to a special event "The Master Craftsman: God's Amazing Plan for Teens (and their Parents)" co-sponsored by the Office of Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry and St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church. Join us for a faith-filled evening with nationally-recognized speaker Scott Anthony, as he helps us see the Truth of God's guiding hand in our lives. We encourage teens in grades 9-12 and their parents to attend! After this evening, you and your youth will look toward the future with a newfound sense of hope.

The event will take place on Friday, January 11th, at 7:00 PM, at St. Thomas More Church Family Center (1040 Flexer Ave, Allentown, PA 18103). This event is free of charge. Light refreshments will be provided. To register for this event, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org/craftsman. For questions call (610) 289-8900, ext. 2021 or email Francesca Frias at Ffrias@allentowndiocese.org.

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

Monday- January 14th, 2019 10:00 AM-1:00 PM
 Wachter Room- Sacred Heart Parish Center
 Sacred Heart Church- West Reading, PA
 To Register—(610) 332-0442 (x2016)
 (if the schools are closed due to weather- the meeting is cancelled.)

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

If you are aware of someone from our parish that we may not be aware of who is homebound or in a nursing home or assisted living facility, please take a moment and call the rectory (610) 372-4010. We are trying to keep our lists current and would like to know if we are missing anyone. A home visit can be arranged and visits to our nursing home, assisted living and homebound parishioners take place regularly and whenever needed.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
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Jan 12/13	Celebrant	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00 P.M.	Jesuit Priest	Sr. Danielle Marie	Sr. Danielle Marie/Karen Minteer	Ed Kuhn
7:30 A.M.	Msgr. DeSantis	Vince Moffitt		
9:30 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Karen Cameron/Rick Deemer	Vince & Mary Lou Parisi	
11:00 A.M.	Fr. Hutta	Ralph & Margaret Hueske	Ralph & Margaret Heuske	Scott Sensenig