

Merry Ghristmas!

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

We may walk many roads when we search for God, and He leads us all the while. The men we honor today were not Jews. The Messiah wasn't coming for them, not in the minds of Jesus' contemporaries. These men were astrologers. They were adept at reading portents in the sky, a practice condemned in the Mosaic covenant. Still, to the best of their knowledge and awareness, they were seeking the truth. This truth led them to journey from their own homeland to honor a king they'd never met, one they couldn't be sure truly existed. "We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." Who do you know seeks God so tenaciously?

"Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem," the Gospel tells us. Who are the seekers in your own life? Maybe it's your cautiously curious co-worker, the neighbor who unexpectedly found peace on a yoga retreat, or your desperately angry child who has chosen, for now, to go their own way. Perhaps they're not overtly headed for Jesus now, not yet. But they may well be seekers of truth in ways we didn't expect. Our invitation is to listen, inquire, and give directions when appropriate.

The magi and modern-day seekers can inspire us as well. When is the last time you sought God's truth so tenaciously? As believers, it can perhaps be easy to become desensitized to the Christmas season and to the miraculous reality we recently celebrated. Mass may have been lovely, but so was the succulent roast beef, the crisp smell of evergreen, and the warm glow of family. Consider asking yourself, "God, do I know you as well as I should? Would I journey as far as the magi to meet You, if I could? Do I journey to meet You daily in prayer? What do those answer say about me, and about our relationship?" Perhaps we, like the magi, can once again be "overjoyed" at seeing the Light of the World.

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EPIPHANY BLESSING OF YOUR HOME.

<u>Leader of the household</u>: In the Name of the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen, We come to You, O Lord, generous and loving God, asking Your blessings upon our home. Fill the halls of this house with Your Presence and gladdened the hearts of all who enter. May the glory of the Lord, Emmanuel, God among us, ever be present beneath this roof and within our hearts. Amen.

PRAY THE MAGNIFICAT~

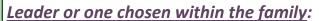
y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for He has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations shall call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm, He has scattered the proud in their conceit.

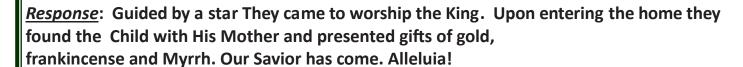
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of His servant Israel for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.



Be enlightened and shine forth, O Jerusalem, for thy light is come, and upon thee is risen the glory of the Lord, Jesus Christ, born of the Virgin Mary



Head of the household blesses the room(s) (home) with holy water as he/she prays;

BLESS O LORD, this home that it may be a welcoming place for You and for all the Saints of the heavenly kingdom. Bless this home, O Lord, that all who dwell within may know your kindness and experience daily your blessings; + this we pray in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(Sprinkle the room with holy water and mark, with chalk, above an entrance way



Traditional Epiphany Announcement of the Liturgical Year ahead and the Celebration of Easter!!

The proclamation of the date of Easter and the other moveable feasts on Epiphany dates from a time when calendars were not readily available. It was necessary to make known the date of Easter in advance, since many celebrations of the liturgical year depend on its date. The number of Sundays that follow Epiphany, the date of Ash Wednesday, and the number of Sundays that follow Pentecost are all computed in relation to Easter

nnouncement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts (for the year 2020)

now, dear brethren (brothers and sisters),
that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,
so by leave of God's mercy
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection,
who is our Savior.

On the twenty-sixth day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the twelfth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

[In those places where the Ascension is observed on Thursday:
On the twenty-first day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.]

[In those places where the Ascension is transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter:

On the twenty-fourth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.]

On the thirty-first day of May, the feast of Pentecost.

On the fourteenth day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the twenty-ninth day of November, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ,



Thank you so very, very much for your Christmas greetings, cards and kindnesses!
Thank you for the bakery, the candy, and the treats for Lily & Grace. Thank you for being so considerate and for sharing in the spirit of the Season.
This is such an overwhelming kind parish and please forgive me for not thanking you individually. Please know I am more than grateful and will keep All of us in prayer, May the Season of His gentle Love enfold You and yours and may we all know His merciful Presence all the year thru!



Fr. Krizner, The Lily, Gracie, Cotton and 15 fish!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever experienced a time in your life when everything came together and became abundantly clear? You may have been confused about something, in the dark, at a point of doubt, or unclear as to how to act. You may have questioned someone's motivation and found yourself coming to the wrong conclusion. Then out of nowhere, the insight came and reality dawned. You experienced an epiphany of sorts! Today, we celebrate Christ's manifestation to all of the nations of the world. Has it dawned on you yet that Jesus Christ is the answer humanity has been seeking? Jesus is truly the beginning and end of all things and the key to understanding God's presence in every human heart. Once this real Epiphany dawns on us, we can never see God, ourselves, or one another in any other way. The Divine Light illumines everything and connects the dots.

that in January the Christmas Tree came down and that the First Month arrived with nothing more than snow and cold. Sad and forlorn the two dogs sat where the Christmas Tree once stood bemoaning the end of presents, carols, decorations & treats. It was Gracie who had 'AN IDEA" and she left the room in a determined urgency. When she returned so was the idea of the Waiting Branch born and to this day on the window sill in the parlor is a tiny vase with an evergreen branch that serves as a reminder that, like all good things, Christmas will return after the days of spring, summer and fall have extended their stay. On those lazy, warm days of summer when air conditioners and ice cream become our best friends and after pumpkins have turned into jack-o-lanterns there is a reminder that **patiently sits on the window sill** reminding us of 'Silent Nights and jingle bells!'. *Try it!* Fr. K.

Some years ago this article was included in the Bulletin. Lily and Grace were dismayed

The Waiting Branch!

"Where's the Christmas Tree?' Gracie asked with certain sadness in her words. Lily looked up from her comfortable position near the fireplace, "It's in the attic." she responded. Gracie thought long and hard and continued her inquiry, "Does that mean that we go up to the attic now to continue Christmas?" Lily smiled, "Christmas is over. It doesn't come back until next December." Gracie went to the corner of the room where the tree had stood. "That's terribly sad," she said, "No more tree, no more visitors, no more Christmas songs, no more treats, no more gifts, no more lights, no more candy canes..." Lily interrupted her, "Yes, Gracie, no more until December!" In a flash Gracie was gone as Lily returned to her nap though wondering what her sister might be up to. After a crashing noise from the kitchen Gracie returned with an evergreen branch in her mouth. "Where did you get that?" asked Lily. Gracie dropped the branch to answer, " from the wreath on the table the only thing left that I can find of Christmas!" Lily tilted her head trying to understand, "What do you plan on doing with it?" Gracie's eyes brightened, "I am going to put it in the corner where the Christmas Tree stood as a reminder that Christmas never really ends even if it is stored away in the attic. I will keep it right there and it will help me to remember that this special corner was filled with lights and tinsel and all kinds of gifts. This will be the "waiting branch"-just a little bit of Christmas to take me through the whole year until December comes back! Lily had no response. She watched as Gracie carefully placed the branch in the corner of the room and then sat to admire her work. Then joining Lily she lay down near the fireplace with her eyes focused on the little fir branch in the corner where the Christmas Tree once stood."



January 7 - St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest **TUESDAY**

7:00 PM Marge McCarthy (A)

WEDNESDAY January 8 - Christmas Weekday

11:00 AM James R. Mooney (A)

January 10 - Christmas Weekday **FRIDAY**

11:00 AM Ronald Potter (K)

January 11 - Christmas Weekday **SATURDAY**

John Terwiliger (H) 4:00 PM

SUNDAY January 12

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8:00 AM Barbra Dailey (A)

Chuck & Margaret Egnot (K) 10:00 AM

11:45 AM Victor Engel (K)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED OUR **PRAYERS**

Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them healing and strength.

Elli Allen, Gery Ambrosetti, Sean Anderson, Eu Ji Ahn, Greg Arasim, Stephanie Atkinson, Nicole A., Tom Bandwen, Sophia Barr, Gizella Becka, Dave & Val Bender, Bob Beirne, Karen Biggs, Trevor Biggs, Barbara Bonza, Donald Boggs, Bob Bruno, Dan Burdecki, Patricia Burfield, Sandy Chojnowski, Bob Coatney, Elaine Coreno, John Coyne, Candace & Mari C., Gloria & Len Demko, Chrstine Deran, Lorie Dillinger, Larry Dolin, Jim Drabik, Kayla Drabik, Melissa Dubs, Robert Dumke, Sr., Mary Dumke, Jean Elber, Marianne Fink, Sally Fisher, Sharon Fisher, Dottie Gallo, Celia Giganti, Evelyn Goersmeyer, Sandy Grasela, Kristen Grasson, Bob & Nancy Grau, Carolyn H., John Haft, Amy Healy, Barb Healy, Marilyn Healy, Brian & Kim Helle, Ruth Hill, Marge Hopper, Bob Howski, Jack Hoy, Pat Isabella, Rita Jamison, Laura Johnson, Caitlyn Keller, Suzanne Keller, Kevin Kelly, Marie Keppler, John Kole, Pat MacGillis, Dave Mack, Madsey family, Norbert Mang, Suzanne Maphis, Matthew Markell, Jennie Matier, Bill McPherson, Aiden Middendorf, the Miller Family, Sandra Miller, Collin Nemet, Lillian Noga, Carol O., Bob P., Jeff Pandora, Daniel Pfeiler, Kathy & Michael Piccolomini, Michael Pindrock, Tracy, Vincent & Sam Piro, Wayne Potter, Jesse Prybis, Pat & Ron Prybis, Joe Ptak, Sr., Fred Puhl, Renee Rehlender, Bill Reinagle, Richard Reusch, Pat Richie, Tonya Ronsko-Kasperek, Ken Schroeder, Angie Schurger, Patricia Schwark, John Sciano, Christopher Seman, Joseph Shella, Dave Shepley, Becky Schieve, Anne Silloway, Olga Slenska, Christine Sorenson, Delores Stanchina, Steve Sykora, June Szemer, Jeanne Tengler, Bill & Carol Thompson, Brian Thompson, Bella Timpone, Joseph Tonderski, Shannon & Elijah Velez, Becca Vicory, Carol Weiss, Anthony Williams, Matthew Williams, Donna Woodyard, James Woodyard, Jr., Debbie Woodyard, Christopher Yanosko,

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of January 5, 2020

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

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-

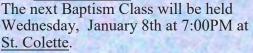
Thursday:1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/ Jn 3:22-30

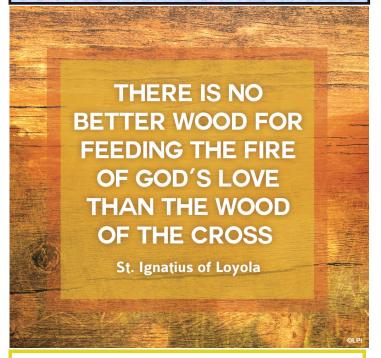
Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17 ©LPi

Baptism Class



Diocesan policy requires attendance at a Baptism Class for parents who are planning to present their first child for the Sacrament of Baptism.

To register, call the Parish Office at (330) 273-5500.



The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit in memory of

Fr. Edward Lajack





2020

THANK YOU FROM

THE LILY & GRACE STORE!

IT WAS A GREAT SEASON AND WE EN-JOYED BRINGING YOU WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS ITEMS & GIFTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE! THE WORD SEEMS TO BE OUT THERE EVE-RYWHERE: LILY & GRACE IS THE PLACE TO SHOP!

THANKS! KATHY PELLEGRIN, MANAGER



The Daughters of St. Colette

Our meetings in January, February, and March will be on the **third Thursday of the month at 1:00 in the afternoon.**

Our first meeting of 2020 is coming up soon, on **January 16th**. We will have a chance to catch up after the holidays while we make Valentines to be distributed to Veterans at the VA Hospital next month. Last names N-Z please bring snacks with a Super Bowl theme.



The Holy Name Pancake Breakfast will be on **Sunday**, **January 19**th and we will be selling bakery at the breakfast as well as on **Saturday**, **after the 4:00 Mass**. Please join us in the Parish Hall. Be sure to stop by and take home a treat!

Members, please deliver your baked goods to the church hall on Saturday, January 18th from 12:00 to 3:00.

"Come as a stranger, leave as a friend."

Calling Moms of ALL AGES!!! Are you looking for a way to connect with other Moms, discuss topics associated with motherhood or just have some adult interaction? Then please join us at our next "Mom's Night Out"! We are planning on having a Pajama Pizza Party on Friday, January 10th from 6:30-9PM. If you are interested in coming please contact the church office at (330) 273-5500. We would like to get a list together of Moms who are planning on attending so we can make sure there is enough pizza! We would like to have this list complied no later than Monday, January 6th! Have a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!!!



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer Ministry comes together to pray for those who are ill in the parish and among our families. Prayer follows the 7:00 pm mass on Tuesday, January 7th- Join us!

A Special **Thank You** to our Youth Group - *Celebration* from Altenheim, Shurmer Place, Assisted Living.

They enjoyed the Christmas Joy and beautiful Caroling that was shared with them.



A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family!

Mr. & Mrs. Harold & Cindy DeStafanis Mr. & Mrs. Matthew & Valerie Bambauer

Congratulations on Your Baptism

Leon Raymond Schlitter
You are a child of God who loves you so very much!

Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of Josephine Tibbitts (mother of Mary Blatnik-Smith) who was called to her Eternal reward. Please pray for her and all the faithful departed.

Live in Light & Peace!

ST. COLETTE'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY

MEN OF THE PARISH.

start this New Year by joining us on **TUESDAY, JAN. 7** for the **7:00 pm Mass.** We sit in front of the sacristy.

THURSDAY, JAN. 9 — 7:00 pm — HNS General Meeting in Church Hall

HNS DINNER MENU

Potato & Leek Soup Chinese Chicken Salad Rustic Baguettes Chocolate-Filled Croissants



Mark your calendar! SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 Breakfast 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

PLUS Daughters of St. Colette
BAKE SALE including
our popular homemade
Gourmet Pierogies

Holy Name Society awards two \$500 Scholarships

to students in our parish who attend a Catholic elementary or high school

Applications available in the church office and on the website — Submit applications by **FEBRUARY 9**





Please pray for those serving in the Military



Joseph Adams CPT Sylvester Azap A1C Aimee R. Budzinski USAF GySgt. John Burrell E5/2nd Class Jacob Camper USN S/A-Dept/State Bradley Carlson Foreign Service Officer Cynthia Carlson-Cook S/SGT Stephen Coughlan SPC Kristen Coughlan MJR Jason Cross LCpl Michael C. Dadaian USMC Michael Forlini SPC Bradley Graf CPL John Graf **CPL Peter Grasso** SPC David Greenfelder Jr. Major Rick Hanrahan USAF SGT Jeremy Hlavaty LT Zachary Hollister USMC T/SGT Melissa Hunt T/SGT Tyler Hunt CPL Zack Hunter USMC AMN 1st Class Joe Isabella Capt. Julianne Jamison USAF Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack Lt. Colonel Jeremy Matyas USAF SPC Kevin McCarthy Army PVT Rylee McIlvain Army

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Inspired Learning. Prepared for Life. Join Us for Open House.

Visit Incarnate Word Academy Preschool (4s – Kindergarten Prep), Primary (grades K-4) and Preparatory School (Grades 5-8) on Sunday, January 26, 2020, between Noon and 2pm. Meet our teachers, see our STEAM spaces, Technology Lab, CleverTouch boards, our beautiful campus and learn how Incarnate Word Academy can prepare your child for the next level. We are a 2013 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence committed to living Gospel values and inspiring academic excellence. 6620 Pearl Rd, Parma Heights, OH 44130.

Saint Ambrose School and Littlest Angels Preschool will be hosting our Winter Open House on Sunday, January 12th from 10 am- 12:30 pm.

Come visit our STEAM school and explore what 21st century teaching and learning looks like.

Priority Enrollment Window opens January 12th, 2020.

Lord, ev'ry nation on earth will adore you.

Psalm 72

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Office Hrs. Mon-Thurs. 9am-5pm, Fri 9am-3pm, Sat Noon-5pm

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00-10:00- and 11:45am **Wednesday & Friday:** 11:00am

Tuesday: 7:00pm Holy Day Vigil: 7:00pm Holy Day: NOON and 7:00pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptism - following 11:45 Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Arrangements must be made in advance through the Parish Office. Baptism Class required for first child.

Matrimony –Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest.

Sacrament of the Sick - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - 3 p.m. Saturday.

Eucharist Adoration - twice a month after Tuesday 7:00pm mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT THANK YOU!!!

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Sunday, December 22, 2019	
Capital Improvement Fund	\$2,674.90
Children's	\$19.25
Project Endeavor	\$8,176.45
We sincerely & always appreciate your kindn	ness & generosity!

To help start and build an endowment fund, please remember St. Colette in your will. We also have a Memorial Scholarship /Education Fund.

PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Associate—Lisa Radey / Deacon Tom Grasson

Accountant-Jeanette Webster CPA/CFP Secretary/Bulletin Editor - Kathy Plumb Event Planner & P.R.– Sabrina Plumb

Receptionist- Mary Dowling / Karen Bandwen / Aubrey Powell / Marissa

Isabella / Tina Kolesar Sacristan - Renate Elber

Building/Grounds - Bob Powers / Scott Powers / Noah Schrader/ AJ

Fulle

Webmaster—Thomas DeCastra Lily & Grace Gift Shop - Kathy Pellegrin

FAITH FORMATION

PSCF Directors - Larry & Chris Pizon - Contact Parish Office

Baptism Class -Contact Parish Office Pre-Cana Coordinators-Contact Parish Office High School PSCF/ Retreats-Fr. Krizner

RCIA-Lisa Radey- Contact Parish Office

SPIRITUAL/ SOCIAL

Daughters of St. Colette - Lillian Morisky 216-534-1948 Holy Name Society - Don Feuerstein-440-572-1044

Care Ministry - Cathy Thies 440-572-1736

CELEBRATION - Mrs. JoAnn Papa / Mrs. Tina Grant - Contact Office

Catholic Works of Mercy-combined service with

St. Ambrose 330-460-7300

MINISTRY OF SONG & PRAISE

Cindy Indovina / Sara Kronholz /Claudia Miller/ Ralph Holstein Chris Charlillo /Todd Schrader / Charlie Ray/Charles Hannan Robin Terschak

 Eucharist Ministry
 Marty Morisky
 330-220-1001

 Ushers - Glen Stout
 440-773-9183

 Lectors - Christina Dinklocker
 330-273-4434

 Servers - Darlene Ropelewski
 440-785-7622

LILY & GRACE ~ THE PARISH GIFT SHOP

Shop Hours: Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm, Friday 9am-3pm, Saturday 12 - 5pm and Sunday after all Masses Kathy Pellegrin-330-273-5500

Ministers for the Weekend of January 11 & 12, 2020 4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:45 AM H Fischer C & J Pandora **LECTORS** C Yako P Ekey B Emerson / G Marsh P Fischer A & A Ricco G Eink SERVERS A Kamenar V Armstrong USHERS **EUCHARISTIC** C Biggs/S Kastelic/ E Pfhal R Arasim / K Baga M Blatnik-Smith/N Bowersox J Bacik/J Charlillo/D Clarke F & A Krizman/P O'Connor K Murphy / A Rechner T Deegan/R Elber/G Gallo M Cuglewski/T Grant/M Hoy **MINISTERS** M & A O'Leary/B & D Williams F & K Schmieder P & S Garn/J Jaskowiak D Kole/K Matzen /H Piller D Wolens T Sidlecki / S Sykora J Papa / O Rivera S Wilczynski

Please find a substitute if you cannot serve your scheduled time. Thank you.