THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 7, 2024

Mazzuchelli Pastorate

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

8:15 am Tuesday / Thursday (IC) 8:15 am Wednesday / Friday (HG)

Weekend Masses

Saturday – 6:30 pm (IC) Sunday – 8:00 am (HG) / 10:00 am (IC)

SACRAMENTS

Private Reconciliation

Saturday - 5:45-6:15 pm (IC) Sunday - 7:15-7:45 am (HG) / 9:15-9:45 am (IC) Anytime by request.

Baptism and Marriage

Call rectory office at 608-568-7519.



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday at 10:00 am

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Tuesday, January 9 - Weekday

8:15 am IC - Diane T. Richard Wednesday, January 10 - Weekday

HG - Larry and Don Osterhaus 8:15 am

Thursday, January 11 - Weekday

IC - Stan Thor 8:15 am Friday, January 12 - Weekday

HG - Jerry & Fern Bina 8:15 am

Saturday, January 13 - Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

IC - Roman & Velma Droessler 6:30 pm

Sunday, January 14 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am HG - Francis "Fritz" & Madonna Stelpflug 10:00 am IC - Kurt and Tony Richard/David and John Erschen

GIFT BEARERS @ HG

Sunday 8:00 am - Stelpflug Family



MASS SERVERS

Saturday 6:30 pm - Erik Snyder and Landrey Dietzel

8:00 am - Dane Schroeder and Emma Sunday

Anderson

10:00 am - Eva and Virginia Vaassen

and Ava Kuhl

TELEVISION MASS AND DAILY ROSARY

Sunday Mass-WISC, Channel 3 - 6:00 am Sunday Mass-Charter and Direct TV Channel 14-7:00 am Daily Masses on EWTN, Channel 39 - 7 and 11 am, 6 pm

From the Desk of Fr. Bernie...

Thought for the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord We turn Christmastime into tinsel time. But the radiance is the splendid revelation of the Epiphany feast. Both the Spirit and the star make it known. Christ has come for all!

CELEBRATING OUR FAITH Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a,17-20 1 Samuel 3:3b-10.19 John 1:35-42

What are we looking for in Jesus? Are we looking for a teacher, as the disciples were? A problem solver? A miracleworker? Whatever it is that our hearts are seeking, the Lord, the Lamb of God, present here in the Eucharist, invites us to come and stay a while with him. If we dare do so, we, like Andrew, might come to know who Jesus truly is and be transformed by his presence.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

Using chalk, mark the current year and the initials of the Magi above the outside doorways to your home. Place a cross in between each of the letters. It should look something like this: **20+C+M+B+24**. After completing, pray the following:

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 who is Lord of all people, forever and ever. Amen.

WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

Sunday, January 7

The Epiphany of the Lord 8:00 am Mass @ HG

10:00 am Mass @ IC

Monday, January 8 The Baptism of the Lord

7:00 pm School Development

Meeting @ Kieler Campus Library

Tuesday, January 9

8:15 am Mass @ IC

Fr. Bernie visits Kieler Campus (Gr. 5,3,4)

6:30 pm Education Commission Meeting @ Kieler Campus Library

7:00 pm Friends of the Dickeyville Grotto Meeting in the Grotto Store

Wednesday, January 10

8:15 am Mass @ HG (K-2)

Fr. Bernie visits Dickeyville Campus (Gr.1 & 4K)

6:30 pm Rosary for Healing @ IC

7:30 pm 9th Gr. Confirmation Class @ IC Parish Ctr.

Thursday, January 11

8:15 am Mass @ IC (Gr. 3-8)

Friday, January 12

8:15 am Mass @ HG

Gr. 6-8 Ski Trip

End of HG-IC 2nd Quarter/1st Semester

Saturday, January 13

6:30 am That Man Is You Breakfast and Meeting @ St. Francis de Sales, Hazel Green

6:30 pm Mass @ IC

Sunday, January 14

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Mass @ HG

10:00 am Mass @ IC

Basketball Games @ Kieler vs. Sinsinawa

HOLY GHOST PARISH

291 Households

HG Sacrificial Giving - December 31, 2023/ January 1, 2024

\$6.815.00 Envelopes Electronic Funds Transfer \$1,132.50 Offertory \$268.00 Decorating & Repair Fund \$140.00

Thank you for your generosity!

IC HOLY NAME CHRISTMAS PARTY

The IC Holy Name Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at Kieler Campus Cafeteria. Cocktails at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Please sign up in the back of IC or Holy Ghost Church if you plan to attend.

WITH MANY THANKS

Thank you to Casey-McNett Funeral Home and Haudenshield Funeral Home for providing the 2024 parish calendars for both our parishes. The calendars are in the back of each church. Please take one for your family.



MAZZUCHELLI MUSINGS

2nd Half of Proposed Parish Name List

- 11) St. Dominic: founder of the Dominican Order in the early 1200's; also known as the Order of Preachers (OP). St. Dominic founded monasteries and churches in Europe during his time. Fr. Samuel Mazzuchelli was a Dominican Priest and the Sinsinawa Sisters founded by Fr. Samuel are Dominican. Fr. Samuel, like St. Dominick, founded the Churches in our Pastorate and several others in the area. St. Rose of Lima was a 3rd order Dominican.
- 12) St. James: this was the Benton Church name until the stone church was built in 1852.
- 13) St. Catherine of Siena: she was deeply dedicated to the Lord, she was bold in her proclamation of the gospel, and being a Dominican she has a tie to Fr. Samuel Mazzuchelli.
- 14) St. Maximillian Kolbe: a bold witness of making a full and authentic gift of self for another. He used media to spread devotion, love of the faith, and to the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was zealous to spread the gospel.
- 15) St. Michael (the Archangel): he's a spiritual warrior in battle of good vs evil. In our world we need protection from evil and the Devil and St. Michael will do this for us.
- 16) St. Monica: St. Monica's tears converted St. Augustine. With our youth falling away fast, we need a mother's tears and sufferings to bring them back into the church in full communion. Motherhood in each stage of life is so important both for mothers but also for children, she is a great intercessor and example.
- 17) St. Jude: Patron saint of hopeless causes and of hope; he was also one of Jesus' original 12 apostles.
- 18) St. Isidore: Patron saint of farmers; the pastorate is rural with a lot of farmers and agricultural industry. He is a model for us of holiness in the midst of agricultural activity.
- 19) St. Samuel (Old Testament): Samuel was dedicated to the Lord from the beginning, his mother desired fruitfulness and begged for the gift of life. This is a disposition that is desired and modeled by the faithful desiring their children to return to the faith. Samuel responded: Here I Am, Lord; the disposition for any follower of Christ. The Lord continued reveal himself to Samuel through His word and he went on Mission as a prophet.

There will be ballots available for parishioners to vote in the coming weeks.

God Bless, Fr. Greg

BINGO Sunday, January 14, 2023 Dickeyville Community Center Doors open @ 11:00 am

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

347 Households

IC Parish Finances - December 31, 2023 \$16,037.80 Envelopes Offertory Loose Change \$263.84

Thank you for your generosity!



HOLY GHOST-IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

SCRIP UPDATE

Scrip Profit Week of December 26...... \$64.07 **Scrip Profit 07-01-2023 to date.....**\$7,196.36

We greatly appreciate your constant support of the Scrip Program!

STAR Testing will be held January 8-January 19. There will be no school on Monday, January 15, 2024.

ROSE FOR LIFE

If anyone would like to honor a loved one with the Rose for Life at IC Church, there are many openings for 2024. The cost is \$5 per week. Contact IC Parish Office at 608-568-7530 or email at icparishkieler@gmail.com

CONFESSIONS, DEVOTIONS AND ROSARY

Weekend Confessions times are: Saturday - 5:45-6:15 pm @ IC; Sunday - 7:15-7:45 am @ HG and 9:15-9:45 am @ IC. Perpetual Help Devotions are held on Wednesday mornings following the 8:15 am Mass at HG. Gathering for the praying of the Rosary for Healing, both spiritual and physical, is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm @ IC.

HOLY GHOST CCW NEWS



You may pick up your ornaments from the HG Memorial Christmas Tree anytime now. The Memorial Tree will be taken down on Saturday, January 13. Any ornaments left on the tree will be

placed in the back of Holy Ghost Church for pick up. Thank you to all who participated in making the tree a beautiful memorial to our loved ones.

The HG CCW January meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 16 at 6:00 pm in the Holy Ghost Church Basement.

ST. MARY HISTORY BOOK

For anyone with ties to St. Mary's Parish in Platteville, the newly printed history book about the parish may be of interest. It was written by HG-IC 1st grade teacher, Diane Drefcinski, who spent over six years writing the book which covers 181 years of history about the parish and school. The book is \$30 and can be purchased at the Platteville Journal or at Holy Ghost parish office during office hours.

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

January 2024

Holy Ghost and Immaculate Conception Parishes Father Bernard E. Rott. Pastor

St. Marquerite Bourgeoys

Born at Troyes, France in 1620, St. Marguerite

consecrated herself to God and became a missionary. A friend



introduced her to the mayor of Ville Marie (now Montreal) in Canada and, on his invitation, traveled to the New World to teach. With several others, she founded the Congregation of Notre-Dame de Montreal – a non-cloistered teaching order that was formally approved in 1676. By her death in 1700, she was called "Mother of the Colony."

Celebrate life

Ianuary is the month during which our Church celebrates life. This is when we take time to recognize that we are all reflections of God and have great value in His eyes from the moment of conception to a natural death. Celebrating life means being pro-human every day of the year.

"For behold. I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind"(Isaiah 65:17)

This year, don't neglect "the one thing needful"

When St. Martha complained to Jesus that her sister, Mary, was sitting at His feet instead of helping to host Him, He corrected Martha for

neglecting the "one thing ... needful" (Luke 10:42) - intimacy with Him. In the New Year, resolve not to neglect the "one thing needful" and remain intimate with Him.

Build an "inner chapel." While on mission in the world. St. Catherine of Siena

maintained an "inner chapel" in her soul to speak with God, heart to heart. Jesus urged us to do the same (Matthew 6:6). Shut out the world for a while and take refuge in your inner chapel every day.

Sit at His feet. Mary believed in Jesus and gave Him her best. He must be our hope, our salvation, our all.

This is absolutely necessary.

Encounter Him in others. Mother Teresa said, "Until you can hear Jesus in the silence of your own heart, you will not be able to hear Him saying 'I thirst' in the hearts of the poor." The closer we grow to God, the better we'll "see" and love Him in

Serve Him.

others.

Although Mary wasn't waiting on Christ like Martha, she was ministering to him in a deeper and truer sense. No one serves Christ better than by hearing His Words and doing His will.



Why was Jesus was baptized?

Although sinless Himself, Jesus allowed St. John the Baptist to baptize Him to "fulfill all righteousness" (Matthew 3:15). By this action, Jesus signaled His willingness to take away our sins by His death and bring us new life by His Resurrection. It

was also by His baptism that Iesus instituted Baptism as a Sacrament the Sacrament by which we're sanctified and recreated as children of God. We are mystically baptized into Jesus' death, to be raised by Him in glory.

Reclaim the Name

January is the month traditionally devoted to honoring the holy name of Jesus. What can we do to reclaim reverence for His name in a culture that considers it to be just another word?

Bow your head. "At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth" (Philippians 2:10). Make a slight, reverent nod whenever you hear Jesus' name in public, in conversation, on TV or in movies.

Offer a prayer. Don't hesitate to ask others not to misuse God's or Jesus' names. If they don't

respond, offer a prayer of reparation: "I kneel before Thee and offer Thee reparation; I would make amends for all the blasphemies uttered against Thy holy name."

Don't normalize blasphemy. Curate the media you watch, listen to, or sing along with. Avoid songs, shows, or movies in which Jesus's name is disrespected. We are called to strive for holiness, not worldliness. More importantly, it's a way to give Christ the reverence and love He is due.

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Mark 1:21-28, What God says happens

In this Gospel passage, Jesus and His apostles entered the synagogue at Capernaum where Jesus taught those gathered on the Sabbath. It was customary for learned teachers to say, "Thus says the Lord..."

Instead Jesus said, "I say to you ... "He taught as 🕻 one who spoke with the authority of God.

His calm authority astounded Jesus' listeners. Just as they began to wonder what it meant, He gave them a sign. He further demonstrated His authority by performing an exorcism. Spirits that bedeviled an unfortunate man at the synagogue recognized who Jesus was. They were forced to obey Him when He commanded them to depart,

despite their reluctance. In fact, God's power and authority isn't just a formality. What God says, happens.

Our kind and gentle Savior is also our powerful and awesome Lord. As the Second Person of the Trinity, Jesus has supreme majesty and

we will one day appear before Him to be judged. Yes, He is our divine savior and mediator. But if we say, "Jesus is Lord," then we give Him our loyalty and obedience.



Ianuary 1 - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. When we celebrate this feast, we honor Mary, but also acknowledge Jesus as true God and true Man.

January 8 - Baptism of the Lord (1st Century). Jesus began His public ministry by getting baptized by St. John the Baptist. Jesus was to be baptized to "fulfill all righteousness" (Matthew 3:15). This was also when God reveals Jesus as His "beloved Son" (Matthew 3:17).

January 26 - St. Paula (404). After

her husband - a Roman senator named Toxotius - died, St. Paula gave up her wealthy lifestyle for the Gospel, devoting herself to prayer, poverty, and charitable works. She also befriended and supported St. Jerome in translating the Vulgate.

January 31 - St. John Bosco (1888). Moved by the plight of the young, abandoned boys in Rome, St. John opened the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales and provided workshops for them in shoemaking and tailoring. In 1859, he founded the Salesians who were committed to education and mission work.



Q What to do **&** when prayer **A** feels flat.

"I just don't feel close to God." "Is He really listening?" In fact, God is constantly pursuing us in love, wanting to share His joy with us (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1). Yet, even the most passionate prayer life can feel flat sometimes. Try these tips to keep

prayer fresh:

Cultivate gratitude. Although God never abandons us, factors like health or mood can affect our prayer. St. Alphonsus

Liguori recommended, "Often recall the loving way in which [God] has acted toward you." Reviewing our blessings helps us appreciate God's love for us over time.

Don't wait to ask for help. God's heart is always opened to us. "Good" prayer happens when we're honest with Him. This is an exercise of faith, which He generously rewards.

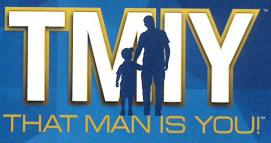
Treat Him with love. God wants a relationship of love, respect, and faithfulness with each of us. If prayer feels empty, try treating God with the love, consideration, and tenderness you give and receive from those closest to you. It will make a difference!

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PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Saturday Mornings Starting January 13th St Francis de Sales Hazel Green

Welcome to all men - Young and Old

SCHEDULE:

6:30 AM Breakfast 7:00 AM Presentation 7:30 AM Small Group 8:00 AM Dismissal

Mass or Rosary to follow

REGISTRATION:

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