

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 4, 2026

Mass Intentions for the Week

1/05 Mon 9:00 AM Karl Weibel
By Jim & Bonnie Weibel
1/06 Tues 9:00 AM Rosann Monaco
By Paula Ciborowski
1/07 Wed 5:00P M All Deceased Parishioners
1/08 Thurs 10:30AM Alycia Consuelo & Family
By Alex
1/09 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
1/10 Sat 4:00 PM All Deceased Parishioners
1/11 Sun 10:30 AM Alfredine Duguay
By Bob & Pat Smith

Epiphany Celebration

Please join us
Sunday, Jan. 4th
3:00PM

In the Parish Center

Come share the joy of God-With-Us

How do we want to witness to the light of the world during this season?

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Come and see. All are welcome.

Deep Appreciation

Thank you to all who sent me beautiful Christmas cards and generous gifts. Your kindness and thoughtfulness mean more to me than you know, and I am deeply grateful for the love and support you continue to share.

May God, in His goodness, pour out abundant blessings upon you and your families in this New Year. With gratitude and prayer. Fr. Dr. Ben. Pastor

Wisdom of the Saints

"The ones who have a voice must speak for those who are voiceless."

~ St. Oscar Romero

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord:

Following the Star that Leads Us Home

We all seek guidance as we search for meaning and purpose in life. In His goodness, God offers the light we need-moments of grace, quiet signs that awaken our hearts, and people whose faith gently draws us toward Him. The same star that guided the Magi still shines for us today, inviting us to lift our eyes and follow its light. On this second Sunday after Christmas, we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord-God's revelation to all nations. The visit of the Magi, seekers from distant lands, beautifully expresses this universal call. Their search first led them to Jerusalem, where neither Herod nor the religious leaders could not understand their longing. Yet the Magi persevered, and the star led them onward to Bethlehem. There they found the Christ Child with Mary, and they bowed in humble worship.

The Magi offered gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh-signs of Christ's kingship, divinity, and saving passion. Their journey mirrors our own, for we too are called to offer Christ our best: our time, our talents, and our treasure.

We also have "stars" in our lives, people whose wisdom, kindness, and faith guide us toward God. Their steady presence helps us navigate uncertainty and remain anchored in truth and goodness. After encountering the Christ Child, the Magi returned home by another way, forsaking Herod's darkness. Their courage invites us to lift our eyes, listen for God's direction, and choose the path that leads to Christ.

Like the Magi, we resolve to turn from the darkness of fear, hatred, violence, and indifference, and to walk in God's radiant light. As the Lord's grace transforms us, we become signs of hope for the world. Let us encounter Him in the Word and the Eucharist, offering our gifts: the gold of charity, the incense of prayer, and the myrrh of suffering transformed by His resurrection. May the star of faith lead us ever closer to Christ, the Light who guides us home.

Wishing you and all your loved ones a blessed and graced-filled New Year, strengthened by God's peace and guided by His enduring light.

Fr. Dr. Ben.

Weekend of January 10th & 11th, 2026

First Reading- Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Second Reading- Acts of the Apostles 10:34 -38

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector:

Sheri Youngs

Eucharistic Ministers

Carole Ostrander, Bill Babbage, Jane Artis

Altar Servers

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Kerri Green

Josh Gronwall, Emelinda Gronwall, Ada Rice

Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

Offerings from December 25, 2025: Christmas, \$ 4373.00

Offerings from December 27 & 28, 2025; Regular \$2021.00: Fuel \$50.00; Repairs \$20.00; Christmas Flowers, \$12.00; Solemnity of Mary, \$20.00; Immaculate Conception, \$10.00; Votives, \$30.00



Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10th grade

1/11 9:00-10:15 AM

1/18 No Classes – Martin Luther King

1/25 9:00-10:15 AM

2026 Calendars

Calendars are available to be picked up at each of the exits after Mass. Thank you to C.H. Landers and Mirabito Energy Products for generously sponsoring our 2026 calendars.



Mass Intentions

The 2026 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you have Masses that you would like scheduled for 2026 please call or stop by the office or send your requests in writing to the Parish Office.

Question of the Week

Then Herod sent the magi to Bethlehem, saying: Go and search diligently for the child: and when you have found him bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” (Matthew 2:8)

Adults: When have you been jealous or fearful of another person? When are such feelings harmful?

Kids: When have you been jealous because something good happened to another person instead of you? What is the problem with feeling that way?

Old Church Repairs

Since the pipe break during Columbus Day weekend, the damaged materials have been removed, the areas have been dried out, contractors and suppliers have submitted their bids. We met with the insurance adjuster 12/16 Tuesday, and all repairs have been approved and scheduling will soon begin to sign contracts. We are hoping for completion between February and March 2026.

January Bulletin Quotes

“Through the incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him....Each of us is made in the Image and likeness of the God, and we reflect his glory in the world.”

Diocesan Appeal 2026 - Update

If you have not received your Diocesan Appeal mailing at home, there are envelopes at each of the exits for you to use to make your pledge/donation. Our assessment increased \$8,658.00 this year to \$19,152.00. We have collected as of 11/19/25 \$11,706.00. Please prayerfully consider how you can support Sacred Heart in meeting our assessment. Please be aware that all donations to the Diocesan Appeal should be mailed Directly to Albany. Donations are no longer processed through individual parishes.

2026 Envelopes

After January 1, 2026 all remaining boxes are in the office. **If your number changed please do not begin using the new number prior to January 1, 2026 in order to properly credit donations.** A contribution of \$5.00 in the initial offering envelope will help defray the cost of the envelopes.

Justice for Orphans

'Pope Leo reminds us that as disciples of Christ we are called to care for the less fortunate and marginalized. An opportunity to help children in need is coming to our Sacred Heart family. On **Tuesday evening, January 13 at 6:30pm** Gene Knoth, coordinator for Delaware County, will give a presentation on Justice for Orphans. We will have an opportunity to join with area churches to provide for the needs of children. Please come and learn about this program.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett,

Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlana Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Stephen, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Ruling Family, Cumming Family, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual