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The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2014

THE GREAT FEAST OF EPIPHANY: A LIGHT TO SHINE EVERYWHERE

Epiphany was once called “Little Christmas.” Actually, as a Church festival, there is nothing little about it! “**Epiphany**” literally translates from the Greek as a “showing”... a “manifestation” ... a “revelation.” These words are strong and big. Epiphany was the kind of word the Greeks used for dramatic moments — the appearance of king in full regalia before a large crowd, the lifting of a bridal veil by a groom, the arrival of a hero to save the oppressed and innocent. No, there is nothing “little” about Epiphany!

Epiphany is God's “show and tell.” Christmas celebrates a fact: “Jesus the Savior is born.” But what does the fact have to do with human history, the world or you and me? Jesus is the Messiah, the fulfillment of Israel's hope the “Son of David.” The story of the Nativity makes it plain the “first called” were Jews. The great mystery of “God-with us” had its first humble witnesses, local shepherds. In their simplicity, the shepherds expressed the faith of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. God had asked Abraham to look to the night sky to see his descendants prefigured in a myriad of stars. Among the stars there would be one brighter than all the rest. It was by the light of that Star that witnesses near and far saw God's greatest Gift.

It might have ended there in the Bethlehem hills with prophecies satisfied and a single nation blessed. But the Star of Bethlehem sent an open and universal invitation to every race and nation.

The story of the Magi in the Gospel begins the “great revelation” to the world. There are those who take the story literally and those who maintain that its value is instructive and symbolic. It is certainly a story that has touched hearts and fired imaginations down through the centuries. A simple act of homage becomes wisdom in the service of God. Offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh foreshadow the mission of one who would be king, priest and “suffering servant.”

Legends about the Magi abound. Artists and authors have made the instruments of wonder. Among the traditions surrounding the Magi none can be more compelling and persistent than their identification with “Three Kings.” It can be traced to a sixth century Greek manuscript which tells of three kings named Balthasar, Melchior, and Caspar.

Each is of a different race and age. Balthasar, a middle-aged Ethiopian, carries the gift of myrrh. Melchior, the aged King of Arabia, carries the gift of gold. Caspar, a beardless youth from Greek Tarsus, carries frankincense. One variation on this theme was the fruit of Gen. Lew Wallace's “grand obsession” about the “Kings.” What began as a research project was to become one of the great religious novels of all time, **Ben-Hur!** The stories about the Magi always lead us to Christ.

The Epiphany presents a three-fold mystery — the revelation of the Star, the Baptism in the Jordan, and the Wedding at Cana. Each reveals part of the identity of the Jesus. He is “Light of the World.” He is God's “New Creation” to cleanse a sinful world. He is the “Bridegroom” who has the power to transform the ordinary into the sublime.

The customs of Epiphany include gift-giving in many ethnic communities. In others, the emphasis is on the blessing of water and the visitation and blessing of homes. In central Europe — Germany, Austria and Poland in particular — the Epiphany celebration unites both traditions. Water blessed to recall Our Lord's Baptism in the Jordan is used in yearly house blessings. The ritual includes an inscription written over the front door in chalk. This year it will be: 20+C+M+B+14.

The four crosses within the year symbolize the four seasons. The initials C., M., and B. stand for Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. In former times, the inscription on the outside of a home was a “manifestation” of the faith of the family within, and a sign that Christians would welcome a traveler in need. But even if the inscription is **within** a house or apartment, it reminds all that, in our daily comings and goings, we should let our faith be manifest to the world.

Epiphany is a great feast because it **proclaims** God's presence and love to all. Epiphany includes everyone, invites everyone, and challenges everyone. The Wise Men show us the way to follow the Light until we find its source ... to give us the gift of worship and receive the Gift of God.

— Fr. Luczak





“ANNUSCHKA AND THE BEGGAR”: A TALE FOR EPIPHANY

*Epiphany is the “last day of Christmas” — a day of wonders and revelations! But these are easy to miss if we have lost sight of the Great Mystery of Christ's Birth, long on shopping lists and short on time and patience. Slavic folklore abounds in supernatural tales. Some of them are true Christian parables that teach us how often selfish people miss the Lord. From Russia comes the story of **Babouschka**, who refused Mary and Joseph shelter and deliberately misdirected the Magi. Later, she repents, and has only one desire — to find the Christ-Child and offer him gifts. **Babouschka** does find Christ, but only in the hearts of innocent children each Christmas. My grandmother told me another story that touches on a similar lesson. I call it “Annuschka and the Beggar.”*

Once upon a time, there was a wealthy old woman who prided herself on how well she managed her property. She was hardworking, thrifty and a “pillar” of the church. The harvest had been especially good that year and she was making plans to buy even more property before spring planting.

If there was one thing the old woman could not tolerate it was wasting time. And she had no patience with people who interrupted her busy schedule. One day, after she had finished her final inventory of the barrels of flour newly arrived from the miller, an old, dirty beggar appeared at her door. He looked at her with large, pitiful eyes and extended his empty beggar's cup.

“I don't have any to spare,” she grumbled ... “Don't bother me now!” But the beggar persisted. He asked if he could sleep in her stable that night. That too she refused him because she knew she didn't have time to make it fit for human habitation. Finally, a little weary, the beggar implored her to let him rest in a neglected part of her garden under a thornbush. He knelt before her and entreated her in God's name. Reluctantly, the woman permitted the beggar to rest, but never took her eyes off him. When he left, she shook her head and mumbled, “Good riddance.” Then she finished her work for the day.

That night the old woman had a fearful dream. She saw the beggar again. He removed his rags. It was the Lord! He looked at her again with the same large pitiful eyes. He spoke to her then with words she had heard many times but never really applied to her life. “Whatever you do to the least of my brethren; that you do unto me!”

The woman woke up with a chill, lit her lamp nervously, and hurried to check her storeroom. As she opened barrel after barrel of flour, she found them infested with weevils. Backing away in fright, she knocked over her lamp and set the house and then the barn ablaze. She ran for her life, escaping just in time.

As the sun rose, she shivered in the cold and realized that she had lost everything. Turning away from her loss, in tears, she was stunned by an incredible sight. It was December. She had never done anything in that part of her garden. She wept not for what she had lost but for what she had found. For there where the beggar had rested were roses blooming on the gnarled old thornbush. That night, the old woman sold all that she had left and became a pilgrim. She vowed she would search for Christ as she had herself found him. She would give her time and, indeed, her whole life as one who possesses nothing, but has been given everything.





Our music ministry, joined by violinist Dr. Linda Veleckis-Nussbaum, will present a concert of holiday music TODAY at 3:00 pm in the church. Our Choir, Youth Choir, Praise Singers, Bell Choir and Cantor Ensemble will provide you with an entertaining and joyous afternoon of music and a bit of laughter. After the rush of preparations, sit back and let the peace of the Christmas season and its music surround you.

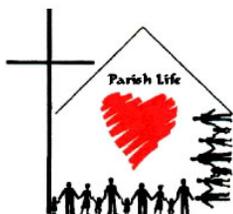
Religious Education

- RE Classes resume Monday night at 6:45 p.m. RE Families and interested parishioners are invited to join the children and staff for a time of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 7:15 p.m. It will conclude with Benediction. Deacon Paul's Confirmation Year II Candidates will help with the service.
- The Faculty Epiphany Celebration will be after class Monday night in the Holy Family Room.
- Permission slips for the Confirmation Year I Retreat are to be returned to the RE Office or Mrs. Faso by Jan. 20th. Thank you!
- First Communion Preparation meeting for Mrs. Winan's class is on Monday, Jan. 13th, at 6:45 p.m. At least one adult from each family is to attend. Home materials and calendars will be distributed.



Adults interested in being baptized, received into the Catholic Church or completing their Catholic Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation are invited to call Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180 for more information.

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION



The Parish Life Commission will meet on Monday, January 13th, at 8:15 p.m. in Rm. 26 of the school. An agenda has been mailed out.

Raising Faith-Filled Kids • One Word at a Time

Commit



The new year is a time for resolutions. We can be tempted to perform a complete makeover of ourselves, but being super-ambitious usually turns out to be unwise. Rather than trying to change everything at once, it's best to focus on one new habit or practice that will have a big impact. Here's how to start:

1. Pray for wisdom and prudence.
2. Select and commit to one new practice you can adopt that will improve your family's quality of life.
3. Begin each day asking God to help you follow through.

Choose something like practicing patience, performing a secret act of kindness each day, or praying each morning or night with your children. Commit to what matters most to you. —Tom McGrath

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SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMISSION

The Spiritual Life Commission will meet on Tuesday, January 14th, at 7 p.m. in the RE Office. An agenda has been mailed out.

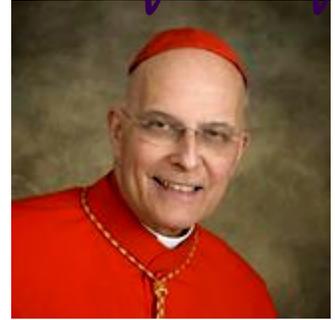
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Loving God, hold all who serve and protect our country in your hands. Bless them and their loved ones. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

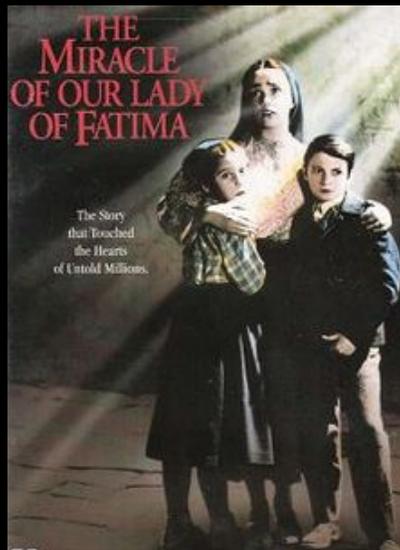
- United States Air Force
 - United States Army
 - United States Marines
 - United States Navy
 - Illinois National Guard
 - Iowa National Guard
- Mason Janzen, Breanna Dexter
Gale Renner
Lance Renner, Aisha Fernando
William B. Dexter, Timothy Kelly
Nathaniel Janzen
Christopher Dexter

If you have a loved one or friend whom you would like our parish community to pray for as they serve our country, please contact the RE Office, 847/966-1180 or sjre2004@yahoo.com with their name and branch of military service to the RE Office. Thank you!

Mass for Life



Cardinal George will preside at the annual **Mass for Life** on Saturday, Jan. 11, 5:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Angels Church, 1850 N. Hermitage, Chicago. All are welcome!



St. Isaac Jogues Friday Night at the Movies
presents

"The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima"

Friday, January 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

In 1917, three shepherd children living just outside Fatima, Portugal have vision of a lovely lady in a cloud. The anticlerical government wishes to squelch the Church; reports of religious experiences are cause for serious concern. Yet the children stand by their story, and the message of peace and hope the Lady brings. In the last vision, attended by thousands of people, the Lady proves her reality with a spectacular miracle that is seen by everyone present. Based on actual events at Fatima in the summer of 1917. The film stars Gilbert Roland, Angela Clarke, Frank Silvera and Jay Novello. The *New York Journal - American* observed the movie, "Lights up the screen like a ray of sunshine."

Doors to the Church Hall open at 6:30 p.m. The movie starts at 7:00 p.m. Complementary popcorn and soda is provided. There is a free-will offering if anyone chooses to do so. No obligation.

A Parish "OPLATEK"

We extend a heartfelt invitation to ALL parishioners to break the oplatek (Christmas wafer) on Sunday, January 12 in the Holy Family Hall. This event has been organized by a Polish Group. Desserts and snacks will be most welcome.

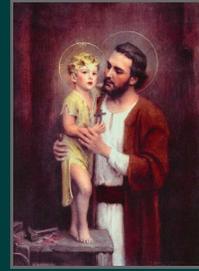
Oplátek Parafialny

Serdecznie zapraszamy WSZYSTKICH parafian na podzielenie się oplátkiem 12- go stycznia, 2014. po mszy świętej o godzinie 12:00 w Sali parafialnej SIJ. Deser lub zakąski mile widziane.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible study resumes Wednesday, January 15th, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 6 of the school. We will begin Part II of our study on Israel's Story. This is a combination study and faith sharing group. No previous Bible Study experience is necessary and you need not have done Part I of the study in order to join us! The fee for materials is \$10, but all are welcome whether you can cover the fee or not. For more information, please call the RE Office, 847/966-1180.

ST. JOSEPH TABLE PLANNING MEETING



The St. Joseph Table Planning Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 15 at 7 p.m. in the Holy Family Room. If you cannot come, please contact Santa DiFranco or Dee Stanton, 847/966-1180. Grazie!

ST. ISAAC JOGUES NEEDS YOU!

COME ONE, COME ALL - JOIN US FOR AN OPEN MEETING

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH AT 7PM

WHERE: HOLY FAMILY ROOM

WHY: LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN

OUR ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTANT, MIKE MILES, WILL PRESENT A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE PURPOSE OF THE CAMPAIGN ALONG WITH THE STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION OF THE ACTIVITIES DURING THE INITIAL PHASES.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO BE MEMBERS OF SEVERAL COMMITTEES TO ASSIST WITH EVERYTHING FROM HOSPITALITY TO MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION TO CONTACTING PARISHIONERS. WE'RE SURE THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU AND YOUR PARTICULAR "TALENTS" TO HELP MAKE OUR CAMPAIGN A SUCCESS.



Vatican Survey: Pastoral Challenges to the Family in the Context of Evangelization

Pope Francis has called for an Extraordinary Synod to address the topic, *Pastoral Challenges to the Family in the Context of Evangelization* that will take place in Rome in October of 2014. The Holy See has asked bishops to share information about the topic as widely as possible and to provide a way for those Catholics who wish to contribute their comments and input to do so.

The instructions and the survey can be found on the Chicago Archdiocesan website, www.archchicago.org/vatican-survey/.

All responses received in the Archdiocese of Chicago will be sent to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, DC, who will pass on all collected response from dioceses throughout the country to the Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops in Rome.

EPIPHANY HOME BLESSING, 2014

It is a "Twelfth Night" ritual to bless the home and to mark it with a piece of chalk blessed at church. While there are many different forms of the home blessing, this one is taken from the book Prayers For The Domestic Church by Edward Hays.

An unlit candle may be placed in each room to be blessed, with the additional option of holy water available for sprinkling each room. To begin, the family gathers, weather permitting, outside the front door of the home. Members may take turns being the Leader.



Leader: Lord our God, You whose home is in heaven, on earth...and in that undiscovered beyond, come and bless this house, which is our home. Surround this shelter with Your Holy Spirit. Encompass all its four sides with the power of Your protection so that no evil or harm will come near. May that divine blessing shield this home from destruction, storm, sickness and all that might bring evil to us who live within these walls. *(After a moment of silence a family member can trace the sign of the cross on the outside of the house and outside of the front door.)*

Blessed be this doorway. May all who come to it be treated with respect and kindness. May all our comings and goings be under the seal of God's loving care. Blessed be the rooms of this home. May each of them be holy and filled with the spirit of happiness. May no dark powers ever be given shelter within any of these rooms but banished as soon as recognized.

All are now led to the living room. A candle may be lighted here and/or holy water sprinkled throughout the room. Blessed be this living room. May we truly live within it as people of peace. May prayer and playfulness never be strangers within its walls. AMEN.

Move to dining room and do as above. Blessed be this place where we shall eat. May all our meals be sacraments of the presence of God as we are nourished at this altar-table. AMEN.

Move to kitchen and do as above. Blessed be this shrine of the kitchen. Blessed be the herbs and spices, and the pots and pans used to prepare meals. May the ill-seasonings of anger and bitterness never poison the meals prepared here. AMEN.

Proceed to bathroom and do as before. Blessed be this bathroom. May the spirits of health and healing abide here and teach us to honor and love our bodies. AMEN.

Move to bedrooms and do as before. Blessed be these bedrooms. Here we shall find rest, refreshment and renewal. May the spirits of love and affection, together with the spirits of angelic care touch all who shall use these rooms. AMEN.

Now everyone moves back to living room. Let us pause now and pray in silence as each of us calls down the holy blessing of God upon this house, our home. *(silent prayer)* Let us now pray as our Lord taught us to pray. All: Our Father...

Lord our God, may Your divine name be always holy within our home. May You lovingly care for all who live here. May Your kingdom come in this home as we love and respect one another. May we always do Your holy will by living in harmony and unity. May we never suffer from lack of bread, from a lack of all that we need to nourish this family. May the spirit of pardon and forgiveness reside with us and be always ready to heal our divisions. May the spirits of mirth and laughter, hope and faith, playfulness and prayer, compassion and love be perpetual guests in our home.

(Someone opens door of the home) May our door be always open to those in need. Open be this door to the neighbor or to the stranger. May our friends who come to us in times of trouble and sorrow, find our door open to them and to their needs. May the holy light of God's presence shine forth brightly in this home and be a blessing for all who live here and for everyone who comes to this door. May God's holy blessing rest upon us all, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

(Each family member blesses self with holy water. Then the initials of the legendary names of the Magi—Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar are written with chalk on or over the main doors of the house and framed by the number of the New Year in this way: 20+ C + M + B + 14. Because the names of the Wise Men are legendary, a recent suggestion has been made that CMB stand for "Christe Mansionem Benedica," which means "Christ, bless this house.")

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Life hands us many epiphanies or “wake-up calls.” A few years ago, a young couple adopted a two-year-old child in a morass of red tape, complications, and court hearings. At the baby’s baptism, the priest suggested appending an “adoption blessing,” wherein the new relationship was expressed and affirmed. There is a place in that rite for the child to speak, and instead the priest said, “Can you give Daddy a kiss?” Standing in the midst of his church, the young adoptive father suddenly welled up with tears as he embraced the child. Afterward, he explained that through all the hassles and legal struggles he never until that moment in church understood that he was the parent of this child. The ritual claimed them for each other, gave expression to their relationship that the legal documents never could, and firmly cemented this child into the heart of a community as everyone erupted into heartfelt applause. This assembly witnessed in a powerful way what happens in every baptism: the mystery of adoption, the free flow of grace, the overwhelming sense of God’s presence at the heart of our life’s journey.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
Monday: St. André Bessette
Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
Julian Calendar Christmas



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

TODAY’S READINGS

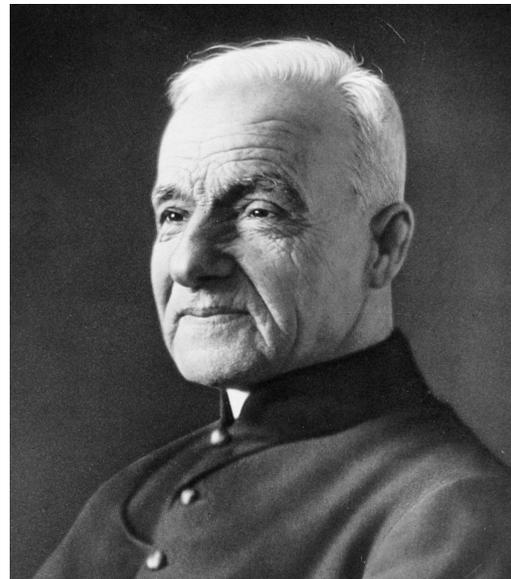
First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews?” (Matthew 2:1-12).

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St. André Bessette

Dear Fr. Luczak,

St. Isaac Jogues Parish has been a blessing to The Women's Center. Thank you for participating in our 2013 Baby Bottle Project. The total raised by your church this year is: **\$3,810.30!**

Your quarters, dimes, cash, and checks add up to make a big difference in helping us provide necessary items and support to the mothers and families we serve. To give you an example of how your donations make a difference, please consider: one ultrasound costs approximately \$50.00; new cribs can cost more than \$100.00 each; one large package of diapers costs \$40.00!

Since 1984 The Women's Center has—by God's Grace—saved more than 36,000 babies and their mothers from the tragedy of abortion.

We send a special thank you to Dee Stanton for organizing the project once again this year!

One changed heart can save...a life. Thank you for helping us change hearts with *your* spare change!

Thank you, and we look forward with hope to next year!

To God be the Glory,



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A CHANCE TO WIN LUNCH WITH THE MAYOR

Village of Niles

The Village of Niles is promoting a Children's Writing Contest, *Why Niles is the Best Place to Live*. The contest is open to all Niles writers in grades 4-8. The top essay will be published in the spring edition of *Focus on Niles* and the writer of the essay will be taken to lunch by Mayor Andrew Przybylo.

Essays should be no longer than one page double-spaced and reflect why the writer thinks that Niles is the best place to live or the benefits to living in Niles. Judges from the Village of Niles will be looking at spelling and grammar, originality, and imagination.

The contest is free to enter.

Please send your essay to:

Writing Contest
1000 Civic Center Drive
Niles, IL 60714
CC: Hayley Garard

All entries are due January 31. For more info, call 847-588-8008 or email hg@vniles.com

Dear Father Luczak:

Thank you and your parish for the donation of \$1,711.67 to the **Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA**. I am in receipt of check number 31859 dated December 3, 2013.

The Archdiocese *serves those who serve* by bringing the presence of Christ and His Church to more than 1.8 million men, women, and children. Your generosity and commitment to the AMS have made possible the spiritual and sacramental care of military men and women and their families on more than 220 installations in 29 countries, veterans who have served honorably and reside in 153 Veteran Administration Medical Centers, and federal employees who live and work outside the boundaries of the USA.

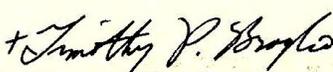
With no military or government financial assistance, this Archdiocese must rely wholly on the generosity of the Catholic community to operate her many programs and services. Your support shows service members and their families that their faith need not be part of the sacrifice they make in service to our Country.

The current fiscal restraints on military spending have made an adverse impact on chapel programs. Consequently, your support is even more important than ever before.

With sentiments of unwavering gratitude, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

Thank you!


(Most Reverend) Timothy P. Broglio
Archbishop for the Military Services

Share the Gift of Learning

Many adults need help with basic English reading, writing and speaking skills.

Share the gift of learning!

Call Oakton Community College at 847-635-1426 to learn how to become a VITA tutor. A required four-part training will be held at the Skokie Campus

on

January 9th & 14th
February 8th & March 1st

Sunday, January 5	
7:30 a.m.	<i>For the Living & Deceased Members of SIJ & their families</i> - Jeanne Polcyn †
9:00 a.m.	Claire Alberti †
10:30 a.m.	Marlene Fautsch †
12:00 p.m.	Rosa Di Franco †
Monday, January 6	
8:00 a.m.	<i>Purgatorial Society</i> George & Grace Grant †
Tuesday, January 7	
8:00 a.m.	Bernadette Kozbiel † Rose Brinkman † Ouseph Thomas † Claude Rolland †
Wednesday, January 8	
8:00 a.m.	Mildred Skuran †
Thursday, January 9	
8:00 a.m.	Robert & Virginia Luczak †
Friday, January 10	
8:00 a.m.	Robert J. Dempsey †
Saturday, January 11	
8:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service - No intentions</i>
5:00 p.m.	Anthony Martocci †
Sunday, January 12	
7:30 a.m.	Richard M. Arendt †
9:00 a.m.	<i>For the Living & Deceased Members of SIJ</i> Ann Maloney †
10:30 a.m.	Robert Biebrach † Tom Denning † Boleslaw Sienkiel † Shirley Klein † Mildred Skuran † Judy Degrazia † Leonisa Rosales † Eileen Lepatan † Aurelio Libot † Virgilio Basa †
12:00 p.m.	Clara Alberti †

Liturgy Next Weekend	
January 11-12	Celebrant
<i>Reconciliation</i> 11:00 a.m.	Fr. Luczak
5:00 p.m.	Fr. Janas
7:30 a.m.	Fr. Luczak/Deacon Paul
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Kennedy
10:30 a.m.	Fr. Kennedy
12:00 p.m.	Fr. Kalas
<i>Sharing of Oplatki</i> 1:00 p.m. HFR	Fr. Janas
<i>Baptisms</i> 1:30 p.m.	Deacon Paul

Altar Servers

5:00 p.m.	Jane Escarez Lawrence Escarez Anna Koziol
7:30 a.m.	Dennis George Diann George Marco Lambo
9:00 a.m.	Nelson Perumpel Jonathan Magboo, Jr. Khayla Santiago
10:30 a.m.	Nicole Wegrzyn Alexis Janik Jonathan Piska
12:00 p.m.	Alena Joseph Ged Vallo Tara Vallo

Sacristans

Arlene Turek
Mary Ann Scanlon

PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Luczak

PASTORAL STAFF:

Lori Herbert, Business Manager
Dolores Stanton, Director of Religious Education
Lisa Hall, Music Director

DEACON COMMUNITY:

Deacon & Mrs. Robert C. O'Keefe
Deacon Rod Ranola
Deacon & Mrs. Paul M. Stanton

WEEKEND LITURGY PRESIDERS:

Rev. Ron Kalas
Rev. Bernard Kennedy, O.F.M.
Rev. Philip McGlynn, O.S.M.
Rev. Camillus Janas, O.F.M.

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, & 12:00 Noon
Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 11:00 - 12:00 Noon or anytime by request.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Must be registered for six months prior to setting the wedding date with an additional six months for necessary preparation. Note: The following wedding times can be scheduled:

Friday at 5:00 p.m.;
Saturday at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.;
Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (Ceremony only)

Sacrament of Baptism: Second and fourth Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Baptism Preparation Session must be completed before Baptism. Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible for details.

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ALTAR FLOWERS CAN BE A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

We are now extending our Altar Flower arrangements from the weekend of January 12th through March 2, 2014. Parishioners are invited to decorate the altar with flowers in honor or memory of a loved one. There can be two arrangements each week. Your name and intention will be listed in the Bulletin. The cost of a flower arrangement will be \$50. After Pentecost, Altar Flowers will be available from the weekend of June 15th through Thanksgiving Day, November 27th. Dates fill up quickly, so please book well in advance. Please call the Rectory at 847-967-1060 for arrangements.

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