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Epiphany of the Lord

January 5., 2025

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. THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD . **BEHOLD**, MAGI FROM THE EAST.

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Mini Reflection: The journey of the magi would have been treacherous and uncomfortable. Imagine the peace in their hearts as they approached the young Messiah and fell to their knees. The new, vibrant awareness of what their own purpose was. It was an epiphany for them. It can be the same for us.

The Answer

Have you ever had an epiphany?

I'll confess that I've never spent much time reflecting on the term "epiphany." In my head, there has always been a strict separation of church and state when it comes to this word. I think of the religious feast of the Epiphany, when we celebrate the magi's encounter with the Christ Child, as totally distinct from our modern understanding of the ancient Greek word epipháneia, which means "manifestation" or "appearance."

"I've had an epiphany," I have said many times before, and what I mean is that I have come to a long-awaited realization. I have received the answer to a question which has perplexed me, perhaps troubled me. I now know what course of action I must take.

"Today is the Epiphany," I say to my children when we make a king cake and bring the little magi figures to our Nativity beneath the Christmas tree (which will, after today, be put back into storage, for the Christmas season has come to its fulfillment).

And I've always thought I meant I was saying two very different things.

But today, I ponder the journey of the magi, one that must have often been treacherous and uncomfortable. I think about their meeting with Herod, a situation that certainly was fraught with tension and fear. And I imagine the feeling in their hearts as they approached the young Messiah and fell to their knees. I think of the peace they must have felt. The new, vibrant awareness of what their own purpose was.

It was an epiphany for them - a discovery of truth. An answer.

It should be the same for us.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

Answer:

Epiphany means "manifestation," or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew's infancy narrative differs from Luke's account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph's long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.

Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact?

Seminarian Spiritual Adoption

While thankful for a seminarian's desire to intimately serve Christ and his Church, his journey to ordination can be filed with struggles, uncertainty, and hesitation. With the help of the Holy Spirit, the Blessed Mother's powerful intercession and the affirmation and prayers of a dedicated family or individual, the discerner will receive the grace needed to continue their journey, There are 24 seminarians in our diocese; we would like to ask our parishioners to help us implement the Seminarian Adoption Program.

It is not a big commitment, i.e. pray for them, occasionally send them a card and/or an email supporting them as they are on their journey. Maybe a care package if that is something you would like to do. We plan to begin this program in January 2025, so please prayerfully consider taking part in supporting our Seminarians. More information on this program will be coming in the next weeks.

Vocation Ministry Team:

Donna Schwantes

Sherry Winkel

Nancy Stein

Lectors - Proclaimers of the Word

Do you like to read stories aloud? We would invite you to become a lector at your parish. Reading is one way to publicly witness to our Faith in answer to our Baptismal call. The lector proclaims the first and second readings of the Mass during the weekend Eucharistic Celebrations and Holy Days. What a great honor and distinction to be called to proclaim His Word! You are not merely a reader, you are a Proclaimer of His Word! There are resources available for you. Please contact your parish office to join.

Food to Go!

We have now packaged just over 4140 combined lunch and breakfast 'Food-to-Go' bags. No matter the type of involvement that everyone has taken in this effort to share God's blessings with the community, this mission exists because of you and so many others. Thank you, and Happy New Year!

Want to help contribute? We accept monetary and

actual food product donations in the parish offices. Here's a list of general items we put in the bags: most are single serve individually wrapped items: macaroni & cheese, mashed potatoes, canned soups & pastas, pudding cups, fruit cups, individual powdered drink



mixes and cookies. Just be sure to label the donation as Food to Go.

Grief Support Group News

Our Grief Support Group meets once a month on the first Wednesday of each month at the Holy Rosary School, and we are completing a book study in which we read one chapter a month and share our responses at our monthly meetings. We have great discussions. The book we are completing this month (Dec) is by Dr Mary Neal called "7 Lessons From Heaven", and starting January 2025 our Grief Support Group is beginning a new book for our book study. Our new book "Imagine Heaven" written by John Burke promises to open ourselves to sharing and discovering more about ourselves and deepening our spiritual journey along with great discussions. Briefly, we'll read about "Near-Death Experiences, God's Promises, and the Exhilarating Future That Awaits Us. This is open to anyone who may have suffered the loss of a loved one. If you want to join us, please call the parish offices and register. You will need to purchase the book "Imagine Heaven", which Deacon Dennis has several copies which you can pickup the Holy Rosary Parish Office.

In Mary's Footsteps Women's Conference Get re-energized at the 11th Annual women's conference on March 8, 2025 Good Shepherd Parish, 54 E Main St, Chilton. Join us for *A Future of Hope!* Speakers include Colleen Carroll Campbell, Fr. Nathan Cromly, Sister Mary Madeline Todd, O.P., Noelle Garcia and Emcee extraordinaire – Rose Sullivan (Executive Director of the NCDVD). Stay for 4:00 p.m. Mass. *To register, visit <u>https://imf25.eventbrite.com/</u> Registration opens at 7:00 a.m., conference runs 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. ~ Mass at 4:00 p.m.

**SS. Peter & Paul is Still Hiring!

Come join our team! SS. Peter & Paul is in search of a Coordinator of Religious Education. We're seeking someone who loves the Catholic Faith and desires to pass that Faith on to the next generation. This part time position will be responsible for overseeing the religious formation efforts of approximately 100 children and youth at SS. Peter & Paul Parish. The coordinator will work closely with the pastor, parents, volunteers, and other staff members to develop and implement programs and activities that help young people grow in their relationship with God and the Catholic Church. Please contact the office for more information 920-894 -3553.

Men of Christ

We will resume our Saturday morning gatherings on January 11, 2025 at Holy Rosary. All men can join us.

SS. PETER & PAUL, KIEL

Calendar of Events +Mass Intentions

January 6-12, 2025

Mon Exposition & Adoration 4-5pm Pietra Fitness 4:15 pm

TuesMass8:30 am+ Ken PuetzPietra Fitness9:30 am

Wed Faith Formation Grades 2–11

Thurs K of C Mtg 7 pm / PC

Sun The Baptism of the Lord 9:30 am Confession Mass 10 am +Richard Nett Rosary 6 pm/Church



For the week of January 5th the Sanctuary Candle is burning In Memory of Alfred Winkel

Can You Help?

Christmas decorations will be taken down on January 12th after the 10:00 Baptism of the Lord Mass. Have a few minutes to spare that day to help?

Christmas Meals

Tuesday's Christmas Eve holiday meal deliveries were again well received and appreciated. Badger's Den did another fantastic job with the food, and deliveries were successful with this special Mission service that so many individuals help provide to the community. We ended up with 134 meals being delivered, and some new drivers volunteering.

Thank you for opening your hearts and hands to others. Have a happy new year!

Thank you!

Our faith community is blessed with so many wonderful volunteers! Thank you so much to everyone that worked so hard to make the Advent Season and Christmas Masses so special! To the volunteers who helped decorate the church, to the musicians for their beautiful and prayerful music, which deepens our prayer, to the many ministry volunteers at our masses and to Fr. Amadi, Deacon Dennis & Deacon Pat for their devotion to the community. We pray that the New Year brings renewed energy to you!

Caroling Cheer

Thank you to the Faith Formation students & catechists who went caroling out into the community in December You brought Christmas cheer to those you visited, and your presence was the best present of all.

Bringing it Back!

The Parish Council is looking for some people who would

be interested in being part of a social committee at SS. Peter & Paul. They would like to bring some events to our parish that would allow people to socialize and get to know others. Not necessarily fundraisers, but all ideas are welcome. Think you might be interested? Talk to Guy Chollet, council chair. gchollet1957@gmail.com

Give a Gift to your Spirit

Waiting patiently is not a talent many of us have. Our tendency is to fill the waiting with all kinds of things to help us forget that we are waiting. Sometimes activity is good, but it can also be a distraction that keeps us from being present to God. When you find yourself in a situation calling for you to wait, consider embracing this quiet, sometimes uncomfortable space. The saying of Catholic sisters, "She also serves who sits and waits," reminds us that patient waiting can be a gift to our spirit and others. © 2024, TrueQuest Communications

Your Stewardship Sharing Ending December 22, 2024				
Stewardship	\$	5,887.50	All-TTO	
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Religious Retired	\$	386.00		
Christmas Eve &	& Chi	ristmas Day		
Christmas Envelopes	\$	3,650.00		
Christmas Loose	\$	654.80		
Ending Decemb	er 29	9, 2024		
Stewardship	\$	4,272.50		
Loose	\$	269.80		
Building & Maintenance \$		538.00		
Religious Retired	\$	386.00		
End of the Year	Don	ations		
Stewardship	\$	3,714.00		
Christmas Envelopes	•	170.00		
December EFT's	\$	2,113.00		
Christmas Flowers	\$	1,197.15		
Stewardship Received July—December: \$139,372				
Stewardship Needed to meet Budget: 151,500				
Shortfall \$12,128				
Thank you for your contributions!				

SS. Peter & Paul Liturgical Roles			
10 am Mass	Sunday—January 12		
GREETERS	J DeTroye Schneiders		
LECTOR	S Blaser		
EUCHARIST	Volunteers Needed		
SERVERS	R Hoerth Novak D Arenz		
USHERS	J Mahloch & M Raquet		

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Calendar of Events + Mass Intention

Sunday – January 5 Epiphany of the Lord

Confession 7:30 am

Mass 8 am +For the Living & Deceased

Members of our Three Linked Parishes

Wednesday—January 8

Faith Formation

Thursday– January 9

Mass 8:30 pm + Patricia Williams

Friday– January 10

Eucharistic Adoration 4-5 pm

Sunday – January 12 Baptism of the Lord

Confession 7:30 am

Mass 8 am +Tom & Lou Ausloos

Meeting

The Building and Grounds group will meet after mass on January 19.

Mass Intentions

Each year you may offer Mass Intentions for deceased loved ones, living family members, or celebrations such as anniversaries or birthdays. There are several intention openings for Sunday Masses as well as for our Thursday morning Masses, starting with January 30, Feb 6, 9, 13 & 20.

Please email Kim at secretary@sspeternpaul.org or call her at 894-3553, stop in the SS. Peter & Paul office to schedule your intentions.

Quilters

St. Ann quilting season began January 7, 2025 starting at 8:30—11:30 am and continue each Tuesday until March 25 at the same time at the home of Ken Turba (N9539 Irish Court, west of St. Ann). Some scissors and needles will be provided with yarn. Men and women are welcome! The quilts are donated to The Salvatorian Mission Warehouse and shipped to various missions.

Mass & Bulletin Announcements

If you have information that you would like announced at Mass, please email the information to Lisa Gross. <u>lgross6@hotmail.com</u>. If you'd like something in the bulletin, please contact Kim at 920-894-3553 or secretary@sspeternpaul.org.

Address & Phone Numbers

Please keep the parish updated with any phone or address changes. You can put an envelope with the updates in the collection basket, call Kim with the changes or email the changes to her.

Your	Stewar	dship	Sharing
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Ending December 30, 2024			
Stewardship Envelopes:	\$	4,120.00	
Loose Offertory:	\$	380.00	
Christmas:	\$	1,189.48	黨計
Building & Grounds	\$	300.00	apres -

Weekly Stewardship needed to meet budget: \$1,250.00

Thank you for your contributions!

St. Ann Parish Liturgical Roles		
8 am Mass	Sunday – January 12	
GREETERS	June & Terry W	
LECTOR	Lynette M	
EUCHARIST	Julie S	
SERVER	Leo D	
USHERS	Terry W & Steven W	

A PRAYERFUL NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IDEA:

COMMIT TO SAYING THE ROSARY EVERY DAY.

HOLY ROSARY, NEW HOLSTEIN

CALENDAR OF EVENTS + MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – Jan 6

Choir Practice 6:30 pm (church)

Wednesday – Jan 8

Mass | 8:30 am + Stanley Petts Adoration | 4:00-5:00 pm Faith Formation | Grades 1-11

<u>Thursday – Jan 9</u>

K of C Mtg|6:30 pm

Saturday – Jan 11 Baptism of the Lord

3:30 pm Confession

4:00 pm Mass + Tom Schwartz



Sanctuary Candle Memorial

For the week of January 5, the Sanctuary Candle is burning in Memory of Alex & Gladys Woelfel

Thank You

Thank you to the Christian Women for their donation of the poinsettias in the sanctuary to beautify our church for Christmas.

Changes to Your Address, Phone Number or Email Have you moved recently? Is your landline disconnected and replaced with a cell phone number, or did you set

up a new email address? If any of these have changed for you, please let the parish office know as soon as possible, so we can get the year end statements to the correct place. We appreciate your attention to this matter.

Homebound Visits

Are you or someone you know unable to come to Mass? Deacon Dennis Bennin is doing home visits with Holy Communion during the week. Please call the parish office (920-898-4884) to be on the schedule.

Poinsettias

After the 4:00 Mass on January 4th and throughout the week (January 6-11) you are welcome to take a poinsettia to enjoy at home. Plastic bags will be available near the poinsettias and in the West wing of church. Thank you to everyone who purchased a plant. We also encourage anyone to take a plant whether you purchased a plant or not. They helped make our church look beautiful for our Lord's birth. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Pizza Sale

The New Holstein K of C Council 12393 will again be sponsoring their annual pizza sale fundraiser with the Faith Formation classes. The date of the sale is March 1st, 2025, and order forms are available in each vestibule, or they can be ordered from a K of C member or Faith Formation Student. **Orders are due by February 16**. Thank you for your continued support for this fundraiser which enables various contributions to our community.

Helping Hands Food Pantry

Thank you for the garden produce – it was greatly appreciated. The pantry is in need of the following items: Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towel, baked beans, mac & cheese, peanut butter & jelly. Bins are in the back of church. Thank you for helping our friends in need.

Thank You

Dear Holy Rosary Parish members,

Thank you very much for your generous donation that was collected at the Thanksgiving Day Mass. That \$444.00 helped to make the holidays extra special for many families. Mery Christmas to all of you.

Sincerely,

The Holy Rosary SVdP Helping Hands Food Pantry

Holy Rosary Liturgical Ministers

January 11 - Saturday 4:00 PM			
	ALTAR SERVER	LECTOR	EUCHARIST
	Josey Mertens Riley Schoenborn	Christy Schmitz	Martha Whorrall
	USHERS	GREETERS	CANTOR
Ν	Donna Schwantes	Donna Schwantes	ORGANIST
w	Kevin Sippel	Barb Miller	Choir 🥠
S	Brian Giebel	Brian/Megan Giebel	Ann Arbuckle

Holy Rosary Stewardship: Dec 21 & 28, 2024			
	Weekly		Fiscal Year Budget
Church Support Envelopes:	\$	8,049.00	\$200,000.00
Loose Offertory:	\$	523.60	<u>\$ 16,000.00</u>
Total	\$	8,572.60	\$216,000.00
Adult Support Needed	<u>\$</u>	8,333.50	\$ 99,574.20 received for year
Difference This Week	+\$	239.10	\$116,425.80 needed by 06/30/25
Student Envelopes Building & Grounds	\$ \$	5.00 293.00	THANK YOU FOR
Christmas Envelopes Christmas Offertory	\$ \$	1,126.50	(Dec. 24 & 25) YOUR (Dec. 24 & 25) CONTRIBUTIONS!
Religious Retirement	Ş	735.00	

Reporting Sexual Abuse

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is now under the age of 18 by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, *PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.*



Green Bay

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, please contact:

Office of Safe Environment Diocese of Green Bay 920-272-8174 or 1-877-270-8174 (toll free) We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities. YOU MATTER TO US – THERE IS HOPE!

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The news of the Messiah unsettled Herod. We see his anxiety clearly in today's Gospel. This is what Christ has come to do, after all. He has come to shake things up. Are we ready to be unsettled?

SVDP SOCIETY

" It is *Christmas* every time you let God *love others* through you." ~ Saint Mother Teresa

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas from all of us at the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and the Thrift Store. *Blessing to you in the New Year 2025!*

Help Us, Help Others! Donate . Shop . Volunteer! SVdP Kiel Thrift Store



Baptism

Congratulations on the birth of your child! Contact the office at least one month before desired date of Baptism to arrange for preparation.

Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! Contact the office at least six months before your intended date to meet with Father Amadi and to make arrangements for the marriage preparation process.

Bequests

Please remember our parishes when making out your will. Thank you.

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