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CELEBRATION

OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND—Saturday 4:00 pm

—Sunday 9:30 am

WEEKDAY—Tuesday 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from

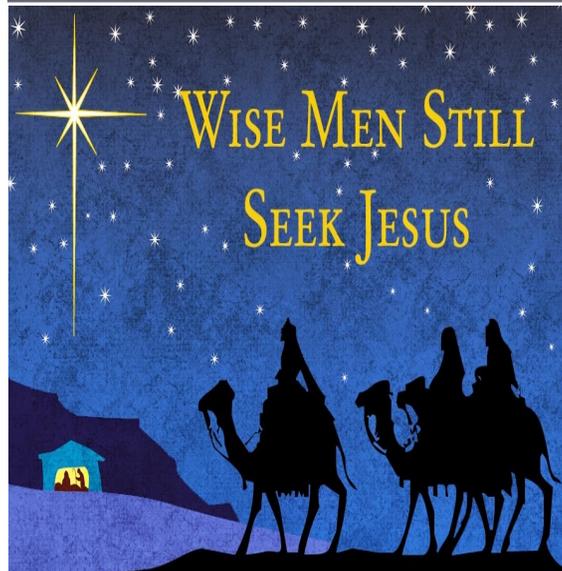
3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or
by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY—THURSDAY

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF THE
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 2, 2022



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

ISAIAH 60:1-6

EPHESIANS 3:2-3, 5-6

MATTHEW 2:1-12



"Note how fitting was the order of events: the wise men saw the star, were received by the Jews and their king; they heard prophecy to explain what had appeared; the angel instructed them; and then they journeyed from Jerusalem to Bethlehem by the guidance of the star. From this we learn that this was not an ordinary star, for no star has this capacity to guide and beckon, to "go before them," and guiding them along their way. The star remained after bringing them to the place, in order that the child might also be seen. The inn was ordinary. The mother was not celebrated or notable. The star was manifested and illumine the lowly place, reaching the manger." [*The Gospel of Matthew 7:3*] Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for bringing salvation to all the nations. May the gospel of salvation be proclaimed to every nation today and to every person on the face of the earth. Help me to be a good witness of the joy of the gospel to all I meet.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY

Because it falls on a Saturday, the feast of the Solemnity of Mary is not a day of obligation.

For the benefit of those who wish to attend,

Mass will be celebrated at

***ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI**

Mass on Friday, December 31 at 4:00 p.m.

ST. THERESE'S CHURCH

Masses on Friday, December 31 at 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 1, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

* There will be no 4:00 P.M. mass on Christmas Day or New Year's Day at St Frances X. Cabrini.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Our parish office will close on Thursday, Dec. 23, at 2:00 P.M., and re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022, at 9:00 A.M. In the event of an emergency, or if the sacramental services of a priest are required, please dial 570-696-1144 and press ext. 26.

COVID-19— RECOMMENDATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

The Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass, regardless of vaccination status. As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect our friends and neighbors and mask wearing remains an important mitigation tool against community spread.



A Blessed New Year

As we bid farewell to 2021 and look forward to all that 2022 might bring, let us pray that the New Year will be filled with God's grace, overflowing with God's peace, and resplendent in God's love. May the God of time and eternity bless us as we begin anew.

A Happy, Healthy, and Hope-filled
New Year to All!

Father Alco, Father Grippe
& Father Paisley





Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 01/04 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 01/08 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 01/09 9:30 a.m.

David & Marie Voitek
Mary Shively
Marie Williams

REQUESTED BY:
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Charney
Chris & Denny Perugno
Grandson, Brad



TAX STATEMENTS: Itemized statements of contributions for tax purposes will be issued to any parishioner requesting one by calling Diane in the parish office during office hours at 570-696-3737 after January 11, 2022.



END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Your generous year-end contributions help us to face the New Year with hope and stability. Thank you for your faithful support of our parish and its mission & ministry. *Father Jim*

BLESS YOUR DOOR ON EPIPHANY – JANUARY 2, 2022

The gospel tells us that the magi found Christ “on entering the house.” The door to your home is a holy threshold. You can bless those who come in and go out by inscribing above the door in chalk: the first two numbers of the year +C+M+B+the last two numbers of the year. 20 + C + M + B + 22.

Tradition tells us that the letters stand for the names of the magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Adolph Adam points out that it may also mean “Christus mansionem benedicat” or “May Christ bless this dwelling.” It’s appropriate to bless your door in January—janua means “door” and the first month is the door to the new year. After inscribing the doorway, say this prayer:

God of Bethlĕhem and Cana, God of Jordan’s leaping waters, in baptism you bring us into your family. You wĕd us and ĕmbrace us as your bĕloved. May wĕ fill this placĕ with kindnĕss to onĕ another, with hospitality to guests, and with abundant carĕ for ĕvery stranger. By thĕ gentlĕ light of a star, guidĕ homĕ all who sĕĕk you on paths of faith, hope and lovĕ. Thĕn wĕ will join thĕ angels in proclaiming your praisĕ: Glory in heavĕn and pĕacĕ on ĕarth, now and forĕvĕr. Amen. Thĕn sing a Christmas carol.

2022 CALENDARS: New calendars for 2022 are available in the entrances of the Church. We wish to thank the Disque Funeral Home for once again sponsoring our parish calendars.

WEATHER CANCELLATION INFORMATION— FOR ANY MASS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CALL 570-696-1144, EXT. 13.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
Please pray for Donna Evick, Don Hunter Sr., Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, Thomas Moore, Christopher Mortensen, Tom Roarty, Joyce Kishbaugh, Jim Starbuck & Lilly Stroud.



THE LIGHT OF THE MARIAN SHRINE CANDLE IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF JAN 2 to JAN 8, 2022: IN MEMORY OF: All the Souls of the Faithful Departed



THE LIGHT OF THE SANCTUARY CANDLE IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF JAN 2 to JAN 8, 2022: IN MEMORY OF: Ralph Capristo REQUESTED BY: Dena Nackley



“Give to the Most High God, as God has given to you, generously, according to your means, for the Lord is one who always repays, and God will give back to you sevenfold.” Sirach 35: 9-10

Due to the Holiday schedule the figures for the Commitment of Treasure will be printed in the January 9, 2022 bulletin.