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Organist: Ray Podskoch

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

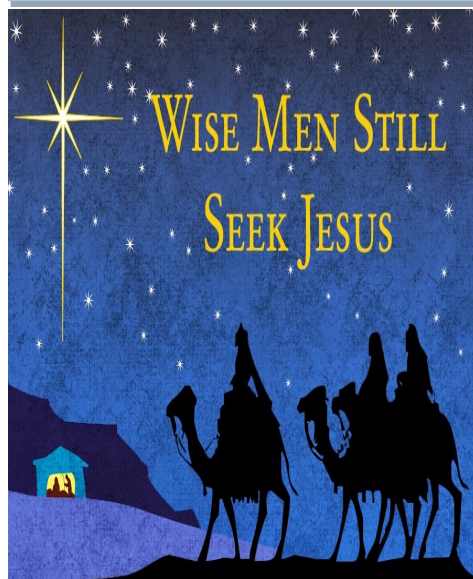
by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

TUESDAY—THURSDAY

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

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 8, 2023



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

ISAIAH 60:1-6

EPHESIANS 3:2-3a, 5-6

MATTHEW 2:1-12

WHERE DO YOU SUPPOSE THE MAGI EXPECTED TO END UP?

The Lord of the universe who revealed the star of Bethlehem to the Gentiles of the East so they could come and worship Jesus, the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6) and King of Kings gives each one of us the same light of revelation to recognize and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. It is through the help of the Holy Spirit, who moves the heart and opens the eyes of the mind, that we are able to understand, accept, and believe the truth which God has revealed to us through his Son, Jesus Christ. In faith, the human will and intellect cooperate with grace. To know and to encounter Jesus Christ is to know God personally. In the encounter of the wise men with Jesus we see the plan of God to give his only Son as King and Savior, not just for the Jewish people but for all the nations as well.

"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."



A Blessed New Year

As we bid farewell to 2022 and look forward to all that 2023 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

Memorial Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Benedict XVI



A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Pope Benedict on Thursday, January 12, at 9:00 A.M. in Saint Therese's Church in Shavertown. All are welcome to attend and pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Benedict who entered into eternal life on Saturday, December 31, 2022. Father Paisley will be the celebrant.



HEARTFELT THANK YOU

to all our parishioners for their
Christmas offering of

\$ 5,733.00 this year.

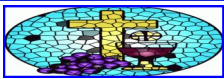
God bless you always for your generosity.



TAX STATEMENTS:

Itemized statements of contributions for tax purposes will be issued to any parishioner requesting one by calling Diane in the parish office at 570-696-3737.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Tuesday 01/10 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 01/14 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 01/15 9:30 a.m.

Mary Helen Mickiewicz Cuba
Stanley Krispin
Joseph & Margaret Pesta

Requested By:
Myron & Monica Mickiewicz
Krispin Family
Margaret Jollimore

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Following a short hiatus, our "Spiritual Book Club" is back. Kathy Gelso will facilitate this three-evening event. Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 2023 6:00-7:30 P.M. in St Therese's rectory meeting room. "The Women of Easter: Encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene" by Liz Curtis Higgs, will be the topic of discussion. Those interested are asked to contact Terri in the parish office (570-696-1144) on or before January 20, 2023. Participation is limited. A \$10.00 fee will be charged to help defray the cost of the book.



BLESS YOUR DOOR ON EPIPHANY

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 and the last two numbers of the new year. 22 + C + M + B + 23.

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 Bethlezhem and Cana, God of Jordan's leaping waters, in baptism you bring us into your family. You wed us and embrace us as your beloved. May we fill this place with kindness to one another, with hospitality to guests, and with abundant care for every stranger. By the gentle light of a star, guide home all who seek you on paths of faith, hope and love. Then we will join the angels in proclaiming your praise: Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever. Amen. Then sing a Christmas carol.



The prayers and support of the parish are extended to the families and friends of Ronald Denman, (son in law of Mary Ann Knepp) and Linda J. Scholl, (sister of Robert Scholl) in the midst of their grief and mourning. May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed rest in peace.

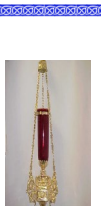


Remember in Your Prayers

Please pray for Loretta Appleby, Don Hunter Sr., Sister Jan Marie Kalyan, Joyce Kishbaugh, Florence Mickley, Doris Montross, Christopher Mortensen, Alicia Raptis, Tom Roarty, Kathi Melvin Ruane, Michael Spudis, Jim Starbuck & Lilly Stroud.



The Light of the Marian Shrine Candle IS BURNING THIS WEEK OF: JANUARY 8 TO JANUARY 14, 2023: IN MEMORY OF: The Faithful Departed



The Light of the Sanctuary Candle is BURNING THIS WEEK OF: JANUARY 8 TO JANUARY 14, 2023: IN MEMORY OF: RALPH CAPRISTO REQUESTED BY: Dean Nackley

COMMITMENT OF TREASURE

Give and it will be given to you. A good measure will be poured into your lap. For the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Luke 6:68

WEEKEND COLLECTION 12/25/2022	\$ 2,932.00
TOTAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION FOR 2022	\$ 5,733.00
WEEKEND COLLECTION 01/01/2023	\$ 4,299.00
SOLEMNITY OF MARY 01/01/2023	\$ 559.00