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Epiphany of the Lord and Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



















Behold the reason this season is . . .

merry and bright!







"Only two classes of people found the Babe: the shepherds and the Wise Men; the simple and the learned; those who knew that they knew nothing, and those who knew that they did not know everything. He is never seen by the man of one book; never by the man who thinks he knows. Not even God can tell the proud anything! Only the humble can find God!"

~Venerable Fulton J. Sheen, Life of Christ

"Where is the Newborn King of the Jews?"

The world pulses with a lot of teachings, not all of them true or valuable, each one vying for my acceptance. Many causes, many movements all reach out to me as something terribly important. New books come out all the time; new heroes too, and new gurus looking for disciples. God is here, but where? In what things? I can identify with the search of the Magi.

I know I've heard it before, but if I want to know where to surely find Jesus in this great mix of competing things, I can always find him present in the community of those gathered in his name—the Church. It's not the *only* place Jesus said he would ever be. It's the only place he said he'd *always* be.

Honoring Our Departed Loved Ones

Each year we hold a special remembrance for those of our community who died in the past year.

On **Saturday**, **January 27th**, **2024** after the 4 p.m. Saturday vigil—we will offer the short service of 'Blessing of the Memorial Plaques' in the Memorial Chapel at the back. Please join us to honor:

Marilyn Becic, Margaret Becker, Richard Dehen, August A. Gatto, Earl Hooper, Sr. Kathie Hearn, Leona Gambee, and George Spada.



There will be refreshments on Sunday, January 7th, 21st and 28th. Drop by for a hot cup of coffee and chat with someone you haven't talked to before. Our community grows stronger as we make connections with each other. How long have you been in the parish? How long have they? Let's make each other feel welcome.

Our next **Wine and Cheese Social** will be in Carvlin Hall on Saturday, January 27th following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Why miss a chance to meet over a glass of wine and some cheese? Here's another opportunity to get to know other members of the parish as well as

our pastor, Father Andrew, outside our worship service. Your church is built brick-by-brick and person by person.



Devotional Candle Prices

The Altar Society has set the following prices for lighting candles for personal intentions. Please put your donation in an envelope located by the candle racks and place it in the candles box. Thank you!



7 Day devotional candle \$4.00

4 Hour votive candles (by Blessed Mother's altar) \$1.00

Sanctuary Candle Offerings

The Sanctuary lamp next to the Tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention, you can make arrangements with the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is \$20 and it burns for one week. A notice of your intention will be posted in the bulletin.





Andrea Del Rosario ♥ Antonette Amato ♥ Colin Andries ♥ Mary Schleich ♥ Tessa Parise Murdock ♥ Bill Dietzler ♥ Family of Ambrose Christoper Calcagno (brother of Debbie Guthrie)

Please contact the office if you, or someone you know needs our prayers! Just click on the GIVE ONLINE button and take a look around. It's designed to be easy. It can be found on the upper right of our home page on our new website.

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Growing Old With God

We will be offering an adult education class called "Growing Old with God" this **January 13**, **20**, **and 27**. Start times will be an hour prior to the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass. Find us in the music room off the hallway behind the Altar / Sanctuary. All are welcome! Barbara Harrison and Mary Kavanaugh will team as the presenters.

Church Cleaners Schedule



Sat. Jan 6:	4:00 p.m.	† George Spada – Rossetto Sisters
Sun, Jan 7:	9:30 a.m.	Bill Mehrens – Lyndi
Wed. Jan 10:	9:00 a.m	† Ambrose Calcagno Jr.
Thur. Jan 11:	9:00 a.m.	† Christopher Calcagno
Fri. Jan 12:	12:10 p.m.	† Robert Miranda – Edward Miranda
Sat. Jan 13:	4:00 p.m.	Paula Nass – Dorothy Bruck
Sun. Jan 14:	9:30 a.m.	† Joe Graziano – Shannon Alfonso
Wed. Jan 17:	9:00 a.m.	† Mary Murphy
Thu. Jan 18:	9:00 a.m.	† Barb Douglas
Fri. Jan 19:	12:10 p.m.	Carol Cooke – Jeanne McPherson
Sat. Jan 20:	4:00 p.m.	† Al & Jean Jarvis – Scott & Tina Jarvis
Sun. Jan 21:	9:30 a.m.	People of St Philip Neri



January 7 – January 13 † Mary Karvola Evans MASS INTENTIONS

January 14 – January 20 † Brian McPherson

"We the welcoming community of St. Philip Neri Parish, empowered by the compassion of Jesus and supported by the Eucharist and the Word, dedicate ourselves to engage with and enrich the lives of those we touch."

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Reconciliation Times Saturday by appointment only

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