

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 2, 2022 – Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus

9:30 AM – Holy Mass (EN/PL) (live on YouTube & Facebook)

† Salahaldin Mahmoud – requested by Frank Brzozowski

Monday, January 3, 2022 – Weekday

Tuesday, January 4, 2022 – Weekday

Wednesday, January 5, 2022 – Weekday

Thursday, January 6, 2022 – Solemnity – Epiphany of our Lord

9:30 AM – Holy Mass (EN/PL) (live on YouTube & Facebook)

Friday, January 7, 2022 – Weekday

Saturday, January 8, 2022 – Weekday

Sunday, January 9, 2022 – Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus

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01/06/22	Th	9:30 AM	OPEN
01/09/22	Su	9:30 AM	OPEN
01/16/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Dorothy Karolkiewicz (Birthday) – requested by Helen, Andrew & Michael
01/23/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Irina Kurbat (3 rd Anniversary) – requested by Veronica Erokhin
01/30/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Dorothy & Alfred Karolkiewicz – requested by Trish Heaberly & Kathy Hull
02/06/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Malissa Moczulski
02/13/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Nicole Bryan – requested by Frank Brzozowski
02/20/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Renee Flores-Thomas – requested by Frank Brzozowski
02/27/22	Su	9:30 AM	† Paul Brandt – requested by Kathy Hull

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Let us pray for: Ewelina Filyushchenko, Julie & Cliff Brown, Ed Kapuscinski, Anna Mendla, Joseph Smith, Andy Stachowicz, Wanda Groman, Antoinette Drake, Bernice Michlinski, Thomas Costello, John Chien, Michal Mularczyk.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

DONATIONS FOR THE WINTER HEATING FUND ARE NEEDED

The winter season is coming and again huge gas bills will be very challenging for our budget. Please help us to keep the church running.

SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

On the table in the back of the church there are the Sunday Offering envelopes for 2022. Please take yours and if you can deliver them to your relatives and neighbors, your help will be appreciated.

FAITH SHARING

January is the Month during which the Church places great emphasis on the *Holy Name of Jesus*. There are several reasons for this, but first and foremost it is because the second Commandment tells us that “*One should not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain*”

The holy name of Jesus produces holy thoughts in us, fills the soul with noble sentiments, strengthens virtue, lets good works bloom, and nourishes pure affections. All nourishment leaves our soul dry, if it contains not that penetrating oil, the name Jesus. When you take up your pen, write the name Jesus: you may make books, but if the name of Jesus is not in them, you are without strength and flavor for me;

you may speak, or you may reply, but if the name of Jesus sounds not from your lips, you are without unction and without charm.

Jesus is honey in our mouth, light in our eyes, a flame in our heart. This name is the cure for all the ills of the soul.



CHURCH IN NEED OF SOME ITEMS

If you can help us by purchasing for the parish the following things:

- USPS Forever Stamps (for the office)
- Envelopes #9 , envelopes #6 ¾ (for the office)
- Gasoline (for the cemetery) gift card to Wawa, Sunoco, BP, etc.
- Candle oil (for the church) - this one → [link](#) or this one → [link](#)
- Paper towels (for the church and hall)
- Trash bags 30 Gallon strong and 40 gallon ultra-strong (for the hall and trash collected around the church)

SUNDAY DONATIONS

If you participate in the Holy Mass online only, please kindly remember to send us a check with your Sunday Offering, simply mailing it as usually to the Parish Office.

For your convenience there is online donation available as well. Just go to our webpage www.stvalentinespncc.org and find the tab ONLINE GIVING. It is a quick and safe way to donate and support St. Valentine’s Parish.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY:

For Missions

EPIPHANY – JANUARY 6th

Many of us were introduced to Epiphany through the familiar image of Three Wise Men bearing gifts as they followed the Great Star by night. In some cultures, Epiphany is known as the *Day of the Kings*.

The day has special meaning for a number of reasons. Several branches of Christianity celebrate the birth of the Christ Child on January 6.

The word *epiphany* means *appearance* or *manifestation*.

Popular usage likens *epiphany* to words such as *eureka* or *aha!* Use of this word by some English speakers conjures images of having a light bulb turned on, or of being able to see something that was once hidden from view.

Who were the Magi? Many versions of the Bible refer to them as the *Wise Men*. We often forget that these Magi or Wise Men were non-Jews.

What can we learn from the Wise Men?



First, the Wise Men began their journey because of their beliefs. It was a common belief that when a world leader like a king was born that a special stellar phenomenon would appear in the sky. The Magi saw something that convinced them that they had seen the long-awaited sign. Historians tell us that the Jews, the Romans, and the Persians were all watching the skies about that time, looking for signs of the birth of an extraordinary king. A few years before, around 11 BC, Halley's

Comet had been seen. There were other stellar phenomena, including a bright star, Sirius, which appeared brightly in the daytime instead of at night. The Wise Men saw the star and began their journey.

Second, the Wise Men were willing to follow what they had seen into unknown territory. Their journey took them outside their country and their comfort zone. The Wise Men risked the consequences of disobeying Herod, who was known to behave as a madman when provoked and returned to their country by another way.

Third, the Wise Men were committed to the journey -- wherever the star might lead. The Wise Men set out to find a newborn King by following a star and ended up in finding a baby born to young, relatively poor parents! Not exactly what they expected and not exactly what befit their dignity.

Finally, the Wise Men brought gifts. They did the thing that people in the East or in Africa or in India would do when visiting royalty. They brought gifts.

The Wise Men were the first Gentiles to recognize that Jesus belongs to everyone. Good news is for everyone, not just a select few.

*Star of wonder, Star of light
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading
Still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light.*

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Uroczystość – Najświętszego Imienia Jezus

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