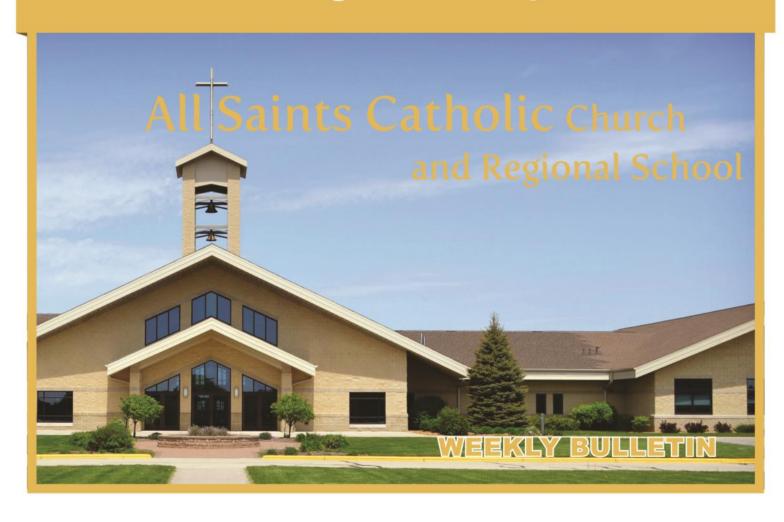


Growing in the Spirit



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 8, 2023



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As our celebration of Christmas continues, today we observe the great feast of The Epiphany of the Lord. The word "epiphany" comes from Greek and means manifestation or appearance. The stewardship way of life is one in which we live in grateful response to God's countless manifestations in our lives.

As Christian stewards we are all called to manifest God's love to each other in the sharing of our gifts. St. Paul

describes this beautifully in our second reading in his letter to the Ephesians, saying, "You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit." We have all been given unique and wonderful gifts from our good and generous God. He wants us to share these gifts to benefit others and so to give Him glory.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, also has much to teach us about stewardship — through the actions of the magi. These three kings from ancient days display many aspects of stewardship spirituality which we can apply as modern-day stewards right now.

First, we observe that their overriding priority is on honoring the long-awaited King. The magi travel a great distance in search of him. Upon arrival in Jerusalem they immediately begin to ask others where this King may be found, unashamedly declaring that they "have come to do him homage." Is honor and worship of God our highest priority? Do we order our lives so that Sunday Mass is the most important act of the week for ourselves and our families no matter what else is going on?

Second, we observe that the magi, as good stewards, were watching for manifestations of God's presence in their lives. "We have seen the star at its rising," they say. Good stewards are keenly aware of the "star" of God's presence and His gifts in their lives. It is this awareness that fills them with gratitude and the desire to both worship God and share His gifts with others.

Third, we observe in the magi that a stewardship journey is not without its difficulties, its twists and turns. Herod tried to take advantage of their goodness, feigning a desire to join them in worshipping the newborn Jesus, in order to hide his deadly intentions. Yet God protected and guided them along their way, and through their cooperation with God's plan, He accomplished great things through them.

Fourth, we observe that the magi, upon seeing the manifestation of God's presence in their lives, "were overjoyed." Good stewards, who live with the awareness of God's presence and gifts to them, simply can't help but be filled with joy — not necessarily the fleeting and superficial kind of joy that the world promises if we just obtain enough wealth or power or comfort — but rather, the deep, unalterable joy that only God can give.

Finally, we observe that the magi were so filled with awe upon encountering the newborn Jesus, that they prostrated themselves before him. To prostrate oneself is to make a total offering of oneself in humility, recognizing the greatness of the One before them; it is an act of worship. And as a further act of worship, they "opened their treasures and offered him gifts." This is precisely why good stewards generously share their material gifts — as a loving act of worship to an extravagantly loving God. Let us rejoice in God's manifestations in our lives and be watchful for the new ways He is calling us to share ourselves and our gifts in gratitude to our King in the year ahead.



Eucharistic Adoration

All Saints Church has Adoration on Wednesdays from 8:30am—3:30pm. We invite anyone who has time to stop in for a visit with our Eucharistic Lord.

You are welcome to come any time, for any amount of time, whether it's an hour or only a few minutes.



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR ALL SAINTS & OUR LADY

Saturday, January 7

8:00 am Our Lady - David Meier †

4:30 pm All Saints (Fr. J) - Judy Wehner †

5:00 pm Our Lady (Fr. T) - Our Lady Parish Family

Sunday, January 8

7:30 am All Saints (Fr. J) - All Saints Parish Family

8:00 am Our Lady (Fr. T) - Judy Egbert †

10:00 am All Saints (Fr. J) - Jane Bartol †

Monday, January 9 - No Mass

Tuesday, January 10

Our Lady - NO MASS

5:15 pm All Saints - Loretta Dolata Bultman †

Wednesday, January 11

Our Lady - Pat Green †

8:00 am All Saints - NO MASS

Thursday, January 12

Our Lady - NO MASS

9:15 am All Saints - Donna Strebelinski †

Friday, January 13

8:00 am Our Lady - Tom & Julie Gnewuch †

8:00 am All Saints - NO MASS

Saturday, January 14

4:30 pm All Saints - (Fr. F) - SI of the Hoesley Family

5:00 pm Our Lady - (Fr. J) - Deceased and Forgotten Souls

Sunday, January 15

7:30am All Saints (Fr. F) - Tom Konen †

8:00am Our Lady (Fr. J)- Dale, Dolores, Steve, & Jim Walker †

10:00 am All Saints (Fr. F) - All Saints Family

Daily Mass Schedule Changes

Fr. Tony will be spending time with his family and friends in India until February 20, and Fr. Andrew will be on sabbatical until March 17. We ask God to bless them both on their time away and keep them safe in their travels.

Please check the weekly Mass schedule above for weekday Masses. We will be having guest priests with us to celebrate weekend Masses, so the weekend Mass schedule will remain the same. Confession and Adoration schedules will also remain the same.

Next weekend we welcome Fr. Ken Fritsch to say Masses at All Saints. Fr. Fritsch is a retired priest from Madison.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE ALL SAINTS & OUR LADY

Saturday Jan. 14	All Saints 4:30 pm	Our Lady 5:00 pm
Lector	Louise Sedarski	Bev Teachout
Eucharistic Ministers	Ed & Linda Marks	Bobbie Erdmann
Ushers		Dan & Tina Ciukaj

Sunday Jan. 15	All Saints 7:30 am	Our Lady 8:00 am
Lector	Steve Thomas	Alice Bartow
	Donna Petit Karen Schmitz	Rita Thrasher
Ushers		Dennis Green John Roesch, Jr.

Sunday Jan. 15	All Saints 10:00 am
Lector	Students
Eucharistic Ministers	Peter Derleth, Jeff Morris

MEMORIAL LIGHTS FOR THIS WEEK

All Saints Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Dec'd Members of the Kurczek & Gies Families Our Lady Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Sandra Walker





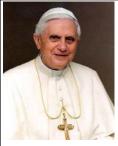
UPCOMING EVENTS

Holy Name - Mon 1/9 - 6 pm - All Saints meeting room **KC Meeting** - Tue. 1/10 - 6:30pm - All Saints meeting rm **TMIY -** Wed. 1/11 - 5:30 am - All Saints social hall.

Religious Ed. - Wed. 1/11 - 3:30 & 6:00 pm - All Saints

Confirmation Class - Sun 1/15 - 8am—noon

Bingo - Sun. 1/15 - 6:30 pm - All Saints social hall



We join Bishop Hying in prayer as we mourn the passing of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI. As Bishop Hying said in a recent statement, "May Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI know the eternal reward of his heroic earthly labors. May he rest in eternal peace, beholding the mystery of God, whom

he loved and served in this life without reserve."

The Bishop's full statement can be found at https://madisoncatholicherald.org/

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



BINGO! Join us for Bingo on Sunday evenings. Doors open at 5 PM for food and refreshments. Bingo begins at 6:30.

Jan. 8 - CCW Cakes: Sue Koch, Gloria

Kitchen: Sue Koch, Gloria Lichtfuss

Jan. 15 - KC's Cakes: Cindy Stobbe, Louise Seaman

Baby Jesus Shower - Our CCW, in conjunction with Green Lake County-WI Right to Life, will once again collecting baby items for area agencies that help needy families to care for their babies. Look for bassinets to be set up at the entrance to All Saints Church in the upcoming week for you to leave your donation. Thank you in advance for supporting families who have chosen to bring their babies into this world and need a little help in meeting all of their needs. God bless you for sharing your good fortune with those who need a little help.

For Your Marriage

- Yee-Haw!! Callin' all married couples to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter SQUARE DANCE on Saturday, Jan. 21 at 6:30 in St. Ann's gym (323 N Van Buren, Stoughton). Potluck dinner (no nut/peanuts please) followed by 2 hours of guided square dancing by an official Square Dance Caller. We will learn as we go, so if you're up to learning something new, enjoying a lot of laughs and getting your heart pumping, this will be a night y'all will remember! There is no cost to attend but free-will donations accepted. Registration is requested but not required (Amy & Jim @ 608-215-5197 or awollangk17@gmail.com)
- Retrouvaille Weekend Is your marriage coming apart? Does separation and divorce seem inevitable? There is hope. Madison Area Retrouvaille is a ministry for struggling marriages. Couples have rediscovered each other and their marriages through this program. A Retrouvaille program is scheduled January 27-29, in Green Lake, WI. Visit www.helpourmarriage.orf for more information and/or for registration.

Registration for Camp Gray 2023!

Summer Camp 2023 is going to be our best summer yet! Registration will open on January 24th for returning campers (and those who were on the 2021 & 2022 waitlist) and January 25th for the general public.

Start Planning Now by Checking Out the Session Chart! https://campgray.com/summer-camp/session-chart-2/ Rest in Peace - John Wallace who was buried from All Saints Church recently. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

All Saints Regional Catholic School and Religious Education Center Building Update



Progress continues to be made on our future All Saints
Regional Catholic School and Religious Education
Center. Masons continue to work on exterior block walls,
and the interior steel stud walls are going up. Thank you
to all those who have supported and made generous
donations towards the building project!

• Knights of Columbus Scholarships - The Knights of Columbus, Berlin Council 1547, are offering two \$1000 scholarships and also one \$1000 special needs scholarship to children or grandchildren of a member of our local council, who proves enrollment in a 4 year college or accredited technical program. To qualify for the special needs scholarship, an individual would have had to previously been identified by school district personnel with an educational disability and determined to be in need of, or has received past educational services to address his or her needs. Any qualified student in the Berlin Area School District may apply for the special needs scholarship. Applications must be submitted by March 30. Please call Bob Markofski at 920-376-1296 with any questions you may have or for an application.

Mollie B will be back in Berlin on May 21st, 2023! Food and beverages will also be available along with a charity raffle drawing. Tickets are available now by contacting Tom Pionke at 920-290-0984.

All Saints Capital Campaign

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ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND FAITH FORMATION

All Saints Catholic School Students are involved with Parish activities.

Our middle school students spent some time before Christmas gathering things and packing Boxes of Joy as part of a program that was coordinated by the CCW.





Second Grade Sacramental Preparation

Second grade is a very important year for our children! As many of you know, this is the year children receive their first Holy Communion, and that's a big deal. Part of preparing to receive their first Communion is to first receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. All of our 2nd graders will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this coming week. Our Religious Ed students will make their first reconciliation on Wednesday, January 11 and our Catholic School students will make theirs on Thursday, January 12. Please pray for our 2nd graders as they prepare to receive Jesus' great gift of mercy and forgiveness in this sacrament, and continue their preparation to receive their first Holy Communion.

Attention Men!

A men's retreat is being offered at the Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh January 19-22, 2023. *Jesus calls us and invites us to take time off to rest...* The weekend includes daily Mass, periods for private reflection and devotions, spiritual direction, and reconciliation and healing services. Register at www.jesuitretreathouse.org or call 920-231-9060. Space is limited so register soon.

TMIY - That Man is You is a program that honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. TMIY resumes this Wednesday, January 11 in the All Saints Social Hall. Each session goes from 5:30-7:00 AM. Men from both parishes are welcome!

Save the Date! Bishop Hying is traveling the Diocese of Madison this spring to preach kerygmatic missions, helping people rediscover the life-changing message of the Gospel. In most instances, his talk begins each evening at 7:00pm and is preceded by a holy hour. All Saints will be hosting Bishop Hying February 5-7, 2023. Please mark your calendars to attend one or both days of the parish missions event.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

ALL SAINTS (week 26)

*Weekly Envelope Goal \$14,600.00 Actual Weekly Offertory \$19,309.60 Difference \$4,709.60

Envelope YTD Goal: \$ 379,600.00 Actual YTD Total: \$ 352,941.45 Difference: (-\$ 26,658.55) Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God!

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OUR LADY of the LAKE (week 26)

*Weekly Envelope Goal \$3,890.00 Actual Weekly Offertory \$6,596.00 Difference \$2,706.00

Envelope YTD Goal: \$101,140.00

<u>Actual YTD Total:</u> \$104,005.34 *Difference:* \$2,865.34

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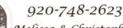
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SCHEDULING EVENTS

All parish activities or meetings need to be scheduled on the parish calendar. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday - Noon

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring the Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.

SACRAMENTS

Our Lady of the Lake

Friday: 8:30-9:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday: 8:30-9:30 AM

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM

Confession:

CONFESSION/ADORATION

All Saints Confession:

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM Tuesday: 5:45-6:15 PM Wednesday: 5:45-6:45 PM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tuesday: 5:45-6:45 PM Wednesday: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM

Communal Penance Celebrations are scheduled during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through the parish offices. First time parents are required to attend baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office for more information.

MARRIAGE

To Schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office to arrange individual celebrations.