



The Epiphany of the Lord January 7 & 8, 2017

Mass Intentions



Saturday
5:00 PM † Isabelle Yaroch / Ashley Riis
Sunday
8:00 AM † Joe Lacoy / SVdP Conference
10:30 AM † Deacon John Cretaro / Jo Anne Cretaro
Monday ~ The Baptism of the Lord
8:00 AM Sr. Michael Eileen, SSJ / Barbara Kuntz
Tuesday ~ The First Week in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM † Francis Demeranville / Ashley Riis
Wednesday
8:00 AM † Nuncy Terrell / Ashley Riis
Thursday
8:00 AM † Dr. Robert Zarzour / Ashley Riis
Friday
8:00 AM † Todd Kirby / Deacon & Mrs. R. Sullivan
Saturday
5:00 PM † James & Jewel McCall / R. & H. Sullivan

For Mass intentions for a deceased loved one or for a special intention, contact the office at 251-962-3649.

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Martha Broz, Pat Chubb, Pat & Sheila Clemens, Peter Colombaro, **Diane Dickerson**, Ed Dubin, Barbara & Elizabeth Edwards, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, **June Henderson**, **Judy Jordan**, Mary Link, **Curtis Malone**, Monk Manning, Richard Muller, Bob & Margaret Nail, Arthur Nichols, Richard Peterson, Jerome Radtke, Annie Rutledge, **Anita Sanford**, Mary Stenzel, Margaret Schaff, Sr. Thérèse, **Rick** & Pat Van Norden, Cece Vaness

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you know of someone or if you are homebound, ill, due to have surgery, or in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor or receive the sacraments, please call the rectory or the office.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families
Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families
Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families
Living & Deceased Cretaro Family

† James E. Link
† Deacon John Cretaro
† Anita Warriner
† Joseph LaManna
† Doris Mullek
Frank Mullek, Jr.
† Mignon Kilday

Living & Deceased Kilday Family
Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families
Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families
Living & Deceased Kearns & Patterson Families
Living & Deceased Lang & Pope Families
Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
The Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith
Holy Souls in Purgatory



This Week's Schedule

Sunday 9:00 AM **"Coffee with the Padre"**
Monday 8:30 AM Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall
Wednesday 9:00 AM Adult Faith Formation
Bible Study – IM Hall
Wednesday 10:30 AM Choir Practice
Wednesday 11:30 AM Chair Aerobics – IMH
Wednesday 4:30 PM Catechism Class – IM Hall



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5:00 PM = 65 9:00 AM = 104 Total = 169

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Gift for January 1 = \$6,055.00
Maintenance = \$530.00

SVdP Special Collection ~ NEXT WEEK ~ Many thanks!

Quarterly Offertory Envelopes ~ If you have not registered as a parishioner or are not receiving your offertory envelopes, please contact the office. Census registration cards as well as welcome envelopes for visitors are available in the vestibule.



"Many hands make light work."

We are very grateful for those pitching in whenever and wherever they can, however, **more help is always needed, welcome, and greatly appreciated.** In

this "Age of Volunteerism," people are *making* time to serve others – somewhere! Our parish provides a variety of opportunities in which you can share your time, talent and treasure. Ministry Commitment Cards are available at church entrances. Please pick one up and indicate how you are willing to express your Christian Vocation of Parish Stewardship. You may bring it to the office or place it in the offertory collection. We thank you for all you do to help.

WELCOME ~ Thank you for attending Mass with us today. We welcome all our visitors and new members and invite you to join in the ministries of our parish by sharing your gifts and talents. If you are not currently a registered member and wish to be, please fill out a census registration card in the vestibule or contact the parish office. Offertory envelopes are mailed quarterly and are also available at the office.

Gospel Reflections

PROMISE FULFILLED ~ Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

Living God's Word ~ Church is the new Israel called to attract all people to the Lord. We must be "the place where the child" is found today (Matthew 2:9). God's glory shines through the Church, and despite our many flaws, we are called to become the "place" where everyone can find the Lord and "[do] him homage" (Matthew 2:11).

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Our St. Joseph Conference is again collecting food for their clients. A donation basket is provided in the vestibule and IM Hall for your convenience. Thank you!

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) Baldwin Deanery Quarterly Luncheon

January 25 – 9:15 AM – St. Agatha Parish, Bay Minette
Guest speaker: Rob Herbst, Editor of *The Catholic Week*. Reservations for the luncheon at 12:00 PM (\$13) are required by January 18. For more information and registration, please call Sr. Therese at 251-279-7285.

World Apostolate of Fatima's U.S. Tour for Peace

January 9 at Cathedral Basilica of Immaculate Conception, 2 S. Claiborne St. in Mobile. Mass is at 12:10 p.m., Exposition before 11:00 a.m. and a talk at end of Mass. Bus from St. Margaret of Scotland leaves at 10 a.m. Call Mary Rivers for details at 251-929-3819.

Church Cleaning – January 2016

Restrooms, etc. – Charlene & Jason Crump
Floors/Pews – Marlene Fuller

A schedule is posted on the bulletin board. If you are not able to keep your commitment, call Harriet Shields.

Instructions are posted on cabinet door in sink closet.

ATTENTION: Please volunteer to help Marlene for one of the months from January through April.

January 14 & 15 Lectors

Sat.: 5:00 PM C. Puglisi
Sun: 8:00 AM M. Handzus
10:00 AM R. Fortunati

Ext. Ministers

M. Donovan / P. Marceau
B. & M. McCandless
B. & W. Zielinski

Additional Flower Memorials ~ Many Thanks

Berkeley Smith
Mary Jo Johnson
Tena Carlino
Bruce Kittredge
Helen Frank
Ed Shunski
Doris Mullek
Ophelia Mullek
Frank Mullek, Jr.
Margaret Mullek

Francis, Sr. & Francis, Jr. Bouchard
Bouchard & Barlow Grandparents
Misztal & Harlan Grandparents
Martin & Jennie Misztal
Frank, Marion & Mark Peterson
Thomas Stachowski
Helen Stachowski
Joseph Faltin
William Fall, Sr.
Omer Lee Richards



For those who died due to a natural or otherwise disaster.

54-DAY ROSARY NOVENA ~ for an end to abortion and God's Peace and Justice on the United States. It began the First Friday, January 6, and will continue every day at 3:00 PM in church through Tuesday, February 28, the day before Ash Wednesday.

Saint Benedict Catholic School Is Seeking Alumni

for their newly established alumni directory. Whether you're from the 8th grade of 1921 or the 8th grade of 2010, they want to hear from you. Please e-mail mkellersbcs@gmail.com.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before long, people will be throwing Mardi Gras beads in the streets of New Orleans — purple, gold, and green. A few will be in on the secret: the colors of the beads are derived from the gifts of the magi—gold for wealth, purple for power, green for good health. The gifts are also a key to the identity of the Christ Child: the incense for God, the gold for a king, the myrrh, fragrant burial ointment for one who comes to die.

Centuries ago, today's feast bore the heavy burden of celebrating all the manifestations of Christ's identity: the birth of Jesus, the coming of the magi, the baptism of the Lord, the wedding feast at Cana. It was too much for one day. Fortunately the one day has blossomed into a whole season of grateful celebration stretching behind us into Advent and ahead of us into the Baptism of the Lord and to Christ's coming again in glory. Tonight be sure to light the Christmas lights and gather at the crèche for a favorite carol and a prayer.

The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

I've made mistakes in my life; no others are to blame.
It is I and I alone who bears the guilt and shame.
I cannot fault my lot in life for the choices have been mine.
God above and God alone will judge me when it's time.
All I can do is pray that I can atone for all my sin,
And in the end, hope that then a new life I will begin.

Gift Bearers

P. & J. Langan
J. & C. Williams
K. Service / V. Patterson

Ushers

F. Mullek / Sal Pinzone
R. Geiger / B. Brennan
J. Crump / B. Jarveys