

Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville

Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2017 Volume 34 Number 02

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 10: 8:30 a.m. Father's Intentions
Saturday, January 14: 5:00 p.m. +Eleanor Jindra
Sunday, January 15: 9:00 a.m. +Betty Christensen

The flag flying over our church is in memory of Ervin Langer.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, January 8: **3rd Grade Youth Mass.**
Tuesday, January 10: **Fatima Prayer Group** at 7:45 a.m.
Wednesday, January 11: **Religious Ed Class** grades 1-10 PROMPTLY at 6:30 p.m.

Coming UP: Sunday, Jan. 15th: 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation Retreat 10:30 a.m. at New Prague

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, January 14, 2017 5:00 p.m.

AS: Emily Chmelik
EM: Mary Ardolf *,
Bernie Ardolf, Mary Ann Smisek
GR: Jan Balata, Timmy Capranos,
Marge Duchene, Anne Langer
L: Mary Ann Smisek
U: Pat LaCanne, Larry Smisek

Sunday, January 15, 2017 9:00 a.m.

AS: Emma & Ryann Louis
EM: Linda Dietz*
Brenda & Jeff Jirik
GR: Mary Kay Reynolds, Hank Von Ruden,
LuVerne & Martha Wallace
L: Jeff or Brenda Jirik
U: Mark Mulcahy, Mary Kay Reynolds,
Hank Von Ruden

Remember in your prayers ...

The Families of Louise Stransky, Marie Ernste (mother of Duke Ernste) and George Kuchinka, Pat Kaderlik, Fr. Victor, Owen Gehling, Andi Olsonawski, John Madden, Landyn Wrolson, Anne Naas; Don Jensen; Nick Grambart; all on the prayer chain; Servicemen: Jaime Allison, John McDonough, Eric Spehn, Nate Wallace, Luke Ward.

Flag Flying over St. Pats

If you would like us to fly a flag in memory of a loved one, contact the office to be put on a list. Donor cost is \$50 and the flag flies for six months. At the end of six months the flag is returned to the donating family. St. Patrick will procure the flag and flags are flown on a first come basis from the names on the list. **We have openings for Jan – June 2018 and July – Dec 2018.** Please call the office.



Office Hours

January 8 – 14, 2017

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Financial Stewardship

December 24 & 25, 2016

Adult Envelopes	\$ 8,300.00
Open Plate	637.00
Visitor	640.00
<u>EFTs</u>	<u>135.00</u>
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 9,712.00

Dec. 31, 2016 & Jan. 1, 2017

Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,112.00
Open Plate	201.00
Visitor	635.00
<u>EFTs</u>	<u>520.00</u>
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 3,468.00

**2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
January 15, 2017**

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
Psalm 40 "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 1-3
Gospel: John 1:29-34

These readings are about the mission that God has for those who follow God. Isaiah speaks of being God's servant; Saint Paul says he was called to be an apostle; John the Baptist, himself a servant of God, identifies Jesus as the Son of God. When you hear these sacred scriptures proclaimed, let us make the refrain of the responsorial psalm our own prayer, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

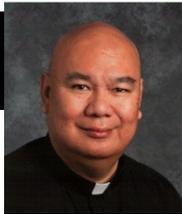
Call **1-800-RED-CROSS** or go online to **redcrossblood.org** to find local blood drives. Supplies are dangerously low!



A Word from Father Victor ...



Sign up to be
an organ donor!



January 8, 2017

On the feast of the Epiphany we celebrate “Immigration Sunday”. The theme for this year’s celebration is “creating communities of encounter”. To encounter the issue of immigration is to put ourselves in the shoes of an immigrant. Jesus, Mary and Joseph did experienced migration. It mean seeing ourselves in the faces of others, in their lives, challenges, fears, joys and successes and loving them as we are called to love one another. We are becoming a more diversified community and we are challenged to build bridges, not walls. Those that have migrated to this country have the same dreams and hopes that we do: to seek a better life for themselves and their families. They longed to be welcomed and contribute to the society as well. There is more to learn and understand about immigration and what the church teaches.

The word “epiphany” means manifestation. God manifests himself in Jesus Christ. God himself said “This is my beloved Son, listen to him.” The gospel story this weekend invites us to reflect on “how did God the Father manifest himself in the infancy story of Jesus? The manifestation of God do not seem always to be in the form of nice stories but also in the difficulties, challenges and pains in the life of the holy family. The story of Herod and the three magi, God tells us something of himself and his plans. Just as we can be guided by the events of Christ’s life so are we guided to God’s love, truth and justice in the event of our daily life.

For all that we have and all that we are, we can see how God is so generous and loving. In the ups and downs of our lives, we can see the mercy of God and the hope that he gives us.

Let the feast of the Epiphany move us to journey ahead in faith and as St. Augustine would say “Our hearts are restless until it rests in God”.

Father Victor ‘MEDICAL EXPENSES’ If you are able to donate toward Father’s medical expenses – it would be greatly appreciated. Father Victor has hundreds of dollars in co-pays alone. Money collected will be put into a fund and given to Father Victor as needed. Make checks payable to **St. Patrick** and in memo line **‘MEDICAL BILLS. ‘VISITORS’**. PLEASE do not visit IF YOU ARE ILL as it is very important that he remains healthy.

Religious Ed News ...



WE ARE COLLECTING COATS, SCARVES, MITTENS, & HATS for St. Vincent DePaul in Faribault. Please bring new or very gently used items to St. Patrick and put them in the COAT BOX, found in the narthex by the display case. **Sue McDonough** will deliver them to St. Vincent. Thank you in advance for your donation.

Food for Kidz

Please mark your calendar for the afternoon of Saturday, February 11, 2017 as St.

Patrick’s will be hosting a **Food for Kidz** packing event from. Jobs and times are listed below. Religious Ed youth will begin Fundraising activities to cover the cost of the food we package that day. We would love to have all St. Patrick’s members involved in the packing event.

If you would like to help with the event or package food on the day, please sign up by the donation can or contact Denise Flicek 612-743-5138 deniseflicek@yahoo.com. To learn more about the organization you can check out these websites: www.foodforkidz.org or [facebook.com/FoodforKidz](https://www.facebook.com/FoodforKidz)

Our goal is to raise \$30 per packer. If you can help with a monetary donation, place donations in the ‘Food For Kidz’ can, located on the kiosk.

Sign-up for the tasks and times you would like:

- Photographer (1:30-3p.m.)
- Photographer (3-4:30p.m.) If one person wants the whole time, awesome, but broke it up in case commitment too long
- Food Preparation & Service(12:30-2:30p.m.)
- Food Preparation & Service (2:30-4:30p.m.)
- Set-Up (1-2p.m.)
- Clean-Up (4-4:45p.m.)
- Pack (2-3p.m.)
- Pack (3-4p.m.)

LIVE VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

Divine Mercy Church, Faribault will offer a Live VIRTUS session on **Wednesday, January 18th beginning at 4:00 p.m.** for anyone needing to fulfill this requirement. Live training, a 3 hour session, is done only once. After that you will be asked to view an online video. Please go to www.virtus.org and set up an account so you can register for the class.

“YOUNG CATHOLICS” YOUTH EVENTS:

Net LIFELINE Mass on Saturday, Feb 4, 2017: Archbishop Bernard Hebda - Cost: \$10 for bus & fast food money. Leaving Holy Redeemer Church at 3:45 pm. Return about 10:30 p.m. Information is in the Jan 4 Parent Letter. To sign up contact St. Patrick Office for a parental permission slip. *For information on LIFELINE Youth Masses and speakers go to netusa.org/lifeline.*

Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(Pre-K - 8th Grade)

205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507)364-7383 (mosthrs.org)



Happy New Year to everyone in the HRS community. I truly hope you had a good holiday and are ready for the new year. At the outset of January, I want to remind everyone to remember that **Catholic Schools Week** runs January 29 - Feb. 4 this year. More details will follow. We encourage everyone to attend the rescheduled Holiday Social at the New Chapter Winery on Friday, January 6, from 7:30 -10 p.m. A portion of the night's proceeds will benefit the school.

On another note, some of you know that my wife Rita works with technology at USC school in Wells, and I am passing along a few links that guide families in parenting in the "Digital Age." Training young people in using technology wisely can be a challenge and these resources appear to have good ideas. Have a good week!

□ The site Common Sense Media provides all sorts of resources for families who want Internet use to be as positive as possible.

□ The sites Kids in the House and Online Etiquette--7 Rules remind students that manners matter, both online and in person.

□ Finally, safety is addressed in the article "Raising Digital Citizens" on the site Stay Safe Online.

New Student at HRS Please welcome Stella Gregor, daughter of Rudi & Missy Gregor, to the Kindergarten class. Welcome Stella!

January 8, 2017 – MN Immigration Sunday

Since 2009 the Catholic bishops of Minnesota have designated a Sunday in January, typically the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, as Immigration Sunday in Minnesota. Immigration Sunday gives us an opportunity to learn more about the Church's teaching on immigration and raise awareness about migration and immigration issues in Minnesota and beyond.

Upcoming Virtus Training Divine Mercy in Faribault will hold a Live Virtus session on Wednesday, January 18, at 4:00 p.m.

New Face at HRS Richard Berg of Montgomery will be taking over the school's janitorial services while Rick Skluzacek is on the mend. If you see Richard around the building, please welcome him.

8th Grade Parents Fr. Bill Baer, Pastor of Transfiguration Catholic Church, invites parents of 8th Grade youth to an exciting event entitled "Choosing a Catholic High School: Preserving Your Child's Faith in a Secular Society." The objective of this event is to help parents in their decision making process of selecting the best high school education for their children. The keynote speaker of the event will be **Dr. Jamie Arthur** of the Cardinal Newman Society. Additional details and ticket information can be found at CDLevent.com.

Remember to keep saving: Coborn's Food Club Labels for Learning from the register receipt, Milk Moola labels, ink cartridges & cell phones for recycling, Campbell's Labels for Learning, Box Tops 4 Education, My Coke Rewards, Loaves4Learning UPCs and pop tabs.

HRS is looking for recyclable paper (blank on one side) to use for copying student worksheets, etc. Please drop off in St Patrick or HRS office. Thank you!

As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns. Thank you –

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Principal



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The K of C is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They stand together in faith, while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight. Ask a Knight for more info or contact us at fariboknights@gmail.com.

Give each other and your family a Valentine gift that will keep giving for generations to come! Sign up for the February 18-19 Marriage Encounter. Register at www.marriages.org. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional dates and information or call 651.454.3238.

Next Baptism Class – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb 1st at



Holy Redeemer Church in Montgomery. Classes are required IF this is your first child or it has been more than 2 years since your last class. Call Montgomery to register 507.364.7981.

