

Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville

Feast of the Holy Family December 28, 2014 Volume 33 Number 52

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 30: 8:30 a.m. Fathers Intentions
Wednesday, December 31: 5:00 p.m. +John Dudley
Saturday, January 3: 5:00 p.m. +Rita Snorek
Sunday, January 4: 8:00 p.m. People of the Parish

The flag flying over our church is in memory of the Clarkin, Kolars & Kaisershot Families.

This Week in Our Parish

Tuesday, December 30: **Fatima Prayer Group**, 7:40 a.m.
Wednesday December 31: **NO Faith Formation** Christmas Break. Classes resume on
January 7, 2015. Happy New Year!
Thursday, January 1: **NO MASS AT ST. PATRICK**

Liturgical Ministers

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014 5:00 p.m.

AS: Jeff Bronk, Grace Peach
EM: Bernie Ardolf*,
Mary Ardolf, Kathleen Cap
GR: Lorraine Bultman, Janice Chappuis,
Lorraine Dudley, Mary Sheehy
L: Kathleen Cap
U: Pat Bronk, Leonard Petricka, Randy Rezac

Saturday, January 3, 2015 5:00 p.m.

AS: Grace Peach
EM: Darrell Stoltz*
Kathleen Cap, Mary Ann Smisek
GR: Jan Balata, Lorraine Dudley,
Larry & Shelly Vosejpk
L: Mary Ann Smisek
U: Dan Pumper, Larry Smisek,
Larry Viskocil, Larry Vosejpk

Sunday, January 4, 2015 8:00 a.m.

AS: Carson & Emma Louis
EM: George Sticha*
Madeline Drentlaw, Sharon Kaisershot
GR: Charlie & Roxy Driessen,
Elaine & Steve Trnka
L: Sharon Kaisershot
U: Mark Mulcahy, Mary Kay Reynolds,
Jim & Marilyn Squires

Financial Stewardship December 20 & 21, 2014

Adult Envelopes	\$ 7,053.00
Open Plate	150.00
Visitor	155.00
EFTs	127.00
Weekend TOTAL	\$ 7,485.00

Office Hours

Dec. 28, 2014 – Jan. 3, 2015

Monday, Tuesday & Friday:
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Remember in your prayers ...

The Family of Marge Edel (brother of **Nobby Malecha**), **Roger Pumper**, John Madden, **Bill Harn**, **Marge Sowa**, **Don Hora**, Jeff Brown, **Marilyn Richter**, Landyn Wrolson, **Francis Herda**, Joe & Kari (Franek) Wiita, Anne Naas; Don Jensen; Nick Grambart; all on the prayer chain; **Servicemen: Jaime Allison, Chris Chappuis, Mark Gehling, John McDonough, Eric Spehn, Luke Ward**

Epiphany of the Lord January 4, 2015

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm: 72 "Lord, every nation on earth
will adore you"
Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel: Matthew 1:1-12

Some interesting details to ponder from our readings this weekend: Isaiah mentions only gold and frankincense among the gifts that come from all nations. It is only Matthew who adds the gift of myrrh – the symbol of the future passion and death of the newborn Messiah. The magi must consult the revelation of faith to find their way to Bethlehem; their own means are not enough. As you read God's word, what details strike you? How is the Messiah revealed to you?

A Note From Father Victor



December 28, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Merry Christmas!

It is a joy to greet each family with the joy, love and hope that the birth of Jesus Christ brings. Again and again we are reminded that the story of Christ's nativity is about the inauguration of the establishment of God's kingdom and the invitation to us to participate in the building of God's kingdom till it is fully realized in the second coming of Jesus.

This week we are invited to reflect on the holy family that is our model of holiness. The scripture readings point out to our call to holiness. St. Paul gave us a list of virtues we can build/form on ourselves. More significantly, the life of Jesus with his parents tell us how holiness is planted and nurtured in the family. When members of the family try to live the virtues mentioned by Paul, the seed of holiness is planted in the family. Also, as Fr. Peyton said, "the family that prays together, stays together."

There is a role of the family in God's plan. The shepherds found Jesus with his family in a manger in Bethlehem. He was introduced to them with Mary and Joseph. We are all born to a family. Within the family we grow and are formed. Thus we define a family as composing a father and a mother with their children. A family is so essential in the internal foundations of a person.

As a parish community we would like to consider ourselves as one big faith family sharing our gifts and journeying together, helping one another to grow in holiness. The virtues mentioned by Saint Paul talk about a relationship with each other. Let us strengthen our families and gather as a faith family expressing the growth and desire to deepen our faith in Jesus Christ.

Let us build the love that is a gift from God in Jesus Christ. Let us be joyful of our giftedness and be strengthened by it.

Merry Christmas to all our families!

New Year Eve/Day Schedule

Most Holy Redeemer/ St Canice / St Patrick

Solemnity of Mary, Jan. 1, 2015:

Wednesday, December 31, 2014:

5:00 p.m. Most Holy Redeemer

5:00 p.m. St. Patrick Fr. Roach, Presider

Thursday, January 1, 2015:

8:00 a.m. St. Canice

10:00 a.m. Most Holy Redeemer

G.R.O.W. Survey

Our parish is going through a pastoral planning process desiring to become a more alive, relevant and responsive parish community. Part of the process is a parish survey that each parish member is strongly recommended to participate in. This is an opportunity for all members to become a part of the process. If you can't access it online or are unfamiliar with computers, feel free to pick up a paper copy on the table in the Narthex. Survey can be accessed online through January 5th <http://fluidsurveys.com/s/stpatrickshieldsvillefaribault>



**IF YOU RECEIVED A SURVEY -
PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE
OFFICE NOW!!!**

Do you want to deepen your faith?

St. Patrick is offering you a chance to deepen and examine your faith through our Faith Focus Group. The group is for any age. Matthew Kelly spent four years coming up with the program we will use. Kim Chmelik will facilitate group meetings of those who wish to discuss the materials. If you are unable to attend on Sundays, Kim will be offering a session on Saturdays after Mass or you can access the entire program online and do it on your own. If you would like to view the workbook, stop in the office. If interested call Kim at 507.333.0297 or kchmelik@earthlink.net,
Next meeting: Sunday, January 4, 9 a.m.



Check it out! St. Patrick's is on Facebook! Are you on Facebook? Then search for the Church of St. Patrick, Shieldsville and be sure to Like us. Also, if you have any photos of the church or church activities that you think would be useful for the page, or if you have suggestions about constructing the page, send a note to Martha Wallace at mwwallacehome@gmail.com

**Someone Special is Celebrating a Birthday!!
Lucille Murphy celebrates her 90th Birthday
on Friday, January 9th!**

Greetings can be sent to:

**Lucille Murphy, Traditions of Waterville
102 First Street S, Waterville MN 56096**



Marge Sowa is spending a few months recuperating with her daughter in Washington. She would love to hear from her 'family' at St. Patrick. Please send her a card or note when you get a minute. Marge & Mark's address through April will be: Marge Sowa, % Peggy Klemens, 12923 - 231st Way SE, Kent Washington, 98030.

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault
507.334.3948
www.bacards.org

Happy New Year!

Friday January 16th: Burger Fry at the Knights of Columbus, hosted by the B.A. 8th graders. Burger basket with fries is \$6.00. 5 pm to 7 pm. Tickets purchased from BA 8th graders or at the BA office. Proceeds to help with Wolf Ridge trip in February.

Save the date: Open House on February 5!

B.A. still has openings in all grades for the 2014-2015 school year. If interested in enrolling, please contact the BA office, 507-334-3948.



Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(PreK through 8th Grade)
205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507) 364-7383 (mosthrs.org)

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU! May 2015 bring you great blessings from above for good health, time with family, and renewed gifts from the Spirit for a faith filled year! We thank you for your support of Catholic education throughout this past year and ask for your continued support as we begin 2015.

Special Awards this past Week: Students received special awards this week. Congratulations to our Americanism Essay contest winners and our DARE graduates. We are so proud of our students!

· Americanism Essay Winners: 1st—Michael Fischer; 2nd—Rachel Rynda and 3rd Rachel Way.

· DARE Graduates: Collin Barnett; Thomas Bulger; Anna Deutsch; Erika Kadrlík; Rachel Rynda; Darien Schoenbauer; Landon Skluzacek and Rachel Way. Anna Deutsch won the DARE Essay Contest.

CHRISTMAS SCHOLARSHIP GIFTS: Goal—\$6,000 To date we have received \$1,290. Thank you for your generous gifts. If you haven't given, please consider a gift. Your gift supports a family in need of tuition assistance yet. Gifts will be accepted through February 2015.

SCRIP—Gift Cards: Thank you for purchasing Scrip gift cards this Christmas! We sold over \$10,000 in gift cards and thank you for supporting our families and our school with your gift card purchase. Additional cards available after Masses.

REMINDER:

END OF YEAR TAX SAVINGS – Stock Transfers Available Now! You can donate appreciated stock to the school! What a great gift. Call the school if you wish to set up a transfer, 507.364.7383 or you may call Pete Plut at 507.357.2238 and let him know you want to do a transfer for the school.

Blessings, Mindy Reeder—Principal,
mreeder@mosthrs.org



Knights of Columbus 889 Korner

(17 Third Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)

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, dedicated to uphold the principles they cherish while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight. Ask a Knight for more info.

Youth Faith Formation News ...

St. Patrick Faith Formation Students are still collecting coats, hats, scarves,



and mittens for St. Vincent de Paul in Faribault, through the cold months. St. Vincent was very pleased with the number of NEW items that came in from St. Patrick with tags still on them. 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. They especially need of kids coats.

We NEED Substitute Teachers for our Faith Formation program. There are a couple weeks in February that we especially need someone. Classes are Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Materials will be all prepared.

THREE RIVERS COMMUNITY ACTION ENERGY ASSISTANCE

(Check the kiosk for brochures)

300 – 11th Ave. NW #110,
Rochester MN 55901

Call 507.732.8554 or 800.277.8419 or
search for Energy Assistance at go to
www.threeriverscap.org

Please let us know:

If anything has changed in your family or you would like more information.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ home / cell

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

I/We:

- _____ would like to register at St. Patrick.
- _____ have a new address.
- _____ have a new phone number.
- _____ want to be removed from parish
- _____ would like information on:

Drop in the collection basket or mail to the office.