

# Epiphany of the Lord January 7 & 8, 2017

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday

5:00 PM For Judy Dimitri – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary- by Fran, John, and Maureen

### Sunday

8:00 AM For the Parishioners of Saint Brigid's

10:00 AM For Ann Richard – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – by Angela and Paul Pecchia

### Next Saturday

5:00 PM For Janice Card – 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – by Peggi and Peter

### Next Sunday

8:00 AM For the Parishioners of St. Brigid's

10:00 AM For Ida Clarlo by her brother, Jerry

## **DAILY MASS STORM POLICY**

Daily Mass will be cancelled in the event of a snowstorm when there is a parking ban in Johnston and/or no school in Johnston. This is due to a safety issue and insurance protection.

## **Parish Stewardship**

Weekend of January 1, 2017

Budget Collection	\$2,220.00
January Monthly to Date	\$457.00
Annual Collection to date	\$13,101.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	89

## **20-Week Club Note**

Here is a reminder that 20-Week Club membership dues are collected on the first weekend of the month in the church foyer. You may also deposit your dues by placing them in an envelope marked with your numbers and depositing it in the weekly collection basket.

Because last weekend was New Year's Day, collections will take place this weekend.

## **20-Week Club Winners**

The 20-Week Club winners for week 9, January 1<sup>st</sup> were Garth Palana # 90 & Evan Perry # 182.

## **Religious Education News**

Religious Education Classes continue this week on Tuesday: Grades 1 – 5 meet from 3:30 – 5:00 PM and Grades 6 – 9 meet from 6:30 – 7:30 PM.

## **FAMILY BOWLING--DON'T STRIKE OUT!!!**

A Fun Day for families and friends will be held on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall Lanes, 1463 Atwood Ave., Johnston, sponsored by our Social Ministry.

- ✓ PRICE--\$12.00 per person for adults. Children under 5 years of age are FREE!
- ✓ PERKS--2 hours of Cosmic Duckpin Bowling, shoe rental, pizza, chips, and drinks are provided.
- ✓ TIME--Arrival time is 1:45 PM
- ✓ BOWLING ---2 TO 4 PM
- ✓ QUESTIONS--Call Cynthia, 944-6778

Registration and payment may be made prior to and after all masses beginning this weekend through the weekend of January 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **William D'Abate Elementary School Thank you**

A wonderful thank you letter has been received from Jacqueline B. Lefebvre, School Nurse. She tells us that the Administrators, Staff and the students themselves were overwhelmed by the numerous gifts received from St. Brigid's. When it comes to generosity, our parishioners are the best.

## **Adult Confirmation Classes**

Any adult, 18 years of age or older, who wishes to take adult Confirmation Classes are asked to call Fr. Bob to register. Classes will take place at the Office of Faith Formation, 34 Fenner Street, Providence on Mondays, March 13, 20, 27 & April 3, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Confirmation will take place here at St. Brigid's at the Easter Vigil, April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM.

*Remember: Anyone wishing to be a godparent for a Baptism or a sponsor at Confirmation MUST be confirmed.*

## ***Father Bob's Ramblings***

This weekend we celebrate the wonderful Feast of the Epiphany, the arrival of the Magi at the stable in Bethlehem.

As this feast celebrates the magi bringing gifts to Bethlehem, I am reminded of the many, many gifts that have been exchanged over these past couple of weeks. And I am especially grateful to all who participated in the annual Giving Tree program in early December. We were able to make the lives of many children at the William D'Abate Elementary School much happier this Christmas. Over 200 gifts were given and children and staff were overwhelmed by all these gifts. Your generosity to and mindfulness of the poor and less fortunate has certainly become a hallmark of our parish community. We service the food bank all year long; we collect old eyeglasses during May and June; hats, gloves and mittens in October and November; and the Giving Tree in December. Thanks a million in the name of those who are recipients of our parish's generosity.

As our Christmas celebrations come to an end, I would also like to thank you for your contributions toward the altar decorations and plants for our homebound parishioners and for the many cards and gifts that you sent to Honey and me.

And as we enter into this New Year, God asks us to gift one another with His love, compassion, mercy and understanding each day. For this is what Christmas is all about. God gave us His only begotten Son and asks us to be His presence in our world.

I will be taking some vacation time this week and next. I am going to Puerto Aventuras, Mexico. It is a small village about 50 miles south of Cancun. Fr. Marc Fallon be covering for me. I'll see you all again on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

May 2017 be a year of peace, hope, and good health for all of us.



*“Arise and shine;  
Your light has come.”*

*Isaiah 60:1*

## **Cold and Flu Season**

We are now entering the cold and flu season, which means taking certain precautions not only at home but also in church. Please keep the following in mind if you are symptomatic:

- There are a number of ways to share the “sign of peace” other than a handshake; a wave, a smile, or some other way of greeting
- Not to share in the “Blood of Christ” at communion
- To receive communion in your hand and not on the tongue
- To NOT leave dirty tissues in the pew or on the floor

## **Meetings This Week**

Wednesday, 01/11/17, 7:30 pm, K of C, church hall



**We observed the star**