



INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



January 8, 2017

The Epiphany of the Lord

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH

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Weekend: Saturday - 4:00 p.m. & Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday & Thursday - 8:00 a.m.

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Fr. David's Office Hours

Tues. 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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TUES: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

WED: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

THURS & FRI: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Every Nation on Earth, will



adore you,

Lord.

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FRI: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass or by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISM: To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Baptismal session. Sessions will be held at Risen Lord Parish on the third Sunday of each month. Registration for the Sacrament of Baptism and the celebration of the Sacrament will still be at the individual parishes on the last Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE: Dates for Marriages are scheduled only through the Priest and only after an initial meeting with the couple. Church law requires a minimum of six months notice before a wedding can be celebrated. In light of the many arrangements for a wedding, the couple should contact the Priest as soon as possible after the engagement is announced.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC: Those wishing to share in the sacramental life of the Church are invited to contact the Parish Office. This specifically applies to those wishing to be baptized, who have not previously shared in the Eucharist, who have not sought to share the sacrament of Confirmation, or those raised in another faith but now choosing to share our Catholic faith.

HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND: If a parishioner is in the hospital or sick at home, please call the Social Ministry Office to arrange for a pastoral visit. Each hospital has a priest, either as a chaplain or assigned from a neighboring parish, for emergencies.

SPONSOR LETTERS: Only active and registered members will be issued a Sponsor Letter. The Sponsor should contact the Parish Office at least one week prior to the date needed.

BULLETIN: Submissions can be made to bulletinINCandRL@comcast.net. Deadline is 12:00 p.m. on Friday (nine days before the Sunday of the intended publication). Submissions are subject to approval and space limitations.

ONLINE BULLETIN: View the bulletin online at Risen Lord's website or at www.parishesonline.com and search for Incarnation of the Lord.



WE ALL MAKE THEM...New Year's resolutions. With the beginning of every new year, we make a resolve to improve ourselves or maybe particular situations in our lives better. With each resolution, we may experience varying degrees of success. What is important in this practice is that we continue to make resolutions. We try again. We do not lose hope in the process. Hope is a gift from God meant to provide us what we need to continue on the journey of life. The amount of success we achieve or the degree of success we accomplish is not as important as achieving a goal successfully...having the feeling, "we made it!"

BE SURE TO GET A COPY OF the *Pittsburgh Catholic* newspaper dated December 30, 2016...it has the "Year in Review" article in it highlighting the diocese's progress in a number of areas.

BE SURE TO SEE THE RESPONSE WE RECEIVED from the City of Pittsburgh through the aide in Councilwoman Darlene Harris' office regarding the water leakage problem Incarnation parish has been dealing with since 2008. Persistence pays off. Our thanks to Dee Quinn, a parishioner, and Mayor of Emsworth, for her assistance!

Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God, and in this way you will become truly happy.

- Blessed Henry Suso

2017 Mass Intentions

The Mass Books for Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord for 2017 are now open! **There are plenty of openings available for weekend and weekday Masses to be filled.** Intentions can include the deceased, those who are suffering from a serious illness or injury, and anniversaries. We must limit weekend requests to one per household so that all parishioners have a chance at getting a weekend mass. Intentions must be in writing (use the form below) and will be taken on a first come - first serve basis. Masses are \$10 per intention and must be paid in full when scheduled. To schedule Mass intentions in person, please contact or stop by the parish office during scheduled office hours.

Please Note: These dates will be closed for scheduling Mass intentions: Triduum and Easter (4/13 to 4/16), All Souls' Day, Thanksgiving Day (11/23), Christmas, and New Year's Day.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Intention: _____

Requested by: _____

Date: _____ Alternate Date: _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

MASSSES for the WEEK

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Saturday (1/7) Christmas Weekday

4:00 PM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish

4:00 PM RL - Andrew Salamacha (Mary Salamacha)

Sunday (1/8) The Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 AM INC - C.J. Rohleder (Marie Rohleder, wife)

11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Monday (1/9) The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM RL - Maureen O'Hara (Mary Byrnes)

Tuesday (1/10) Weekday

8:00 AM INC - Benefactors of Incarnation Parish

Wednesday (1/11) Weekday

8:00 AM RL - Christine Wise (Granddaughter)

Thursday (1/12) Weekday

8:00 AM INC - In Thanksgiving for Priests and Religious Sisters who served our Parish

Friday (1/13) Weekday

8:00 AM RL - Prescott Family

Saturday (1/14) Weekday

4:00 PM INC - Donald Hite (Mabel Cain)

4:00 PM RL - Sr. Mary Nolan, S.C. (Fr. David DeWitt)

Sunday (1/15) Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish

11:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Adoration at Incarnation of the Lord Church



Every Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Rosary starts at 3:00 PM.

Spend some extra time with the Lord in 2017!



DEACON BOB'S CORNER

The Epiphany of the Lord

*Every New Year, we wake up thinking about the year that passed and the year that is yet to be. This year, consider making a resolution to live a fuller Christian life! After surfing the "net," I found five New Year's resolutions to help us make 2017 a very good year. I will layout the resolutions throughout the month of January 2017. The first resolution was to **Take It Easy.***

Second Resolution - Read the Bible: Reading the Bible is not only a great way to get in touch with God, but to relax and take time for yourself. Instead of spending an evening watching reality TV, reread your favorite Bible verses, find a new one to get you motivated for the New Year or join an Adult Bible Study. Saint Sebastian Parish has one Monday evenings from 7:00-8:15 PM.

Sick Relatives & Friends

Anyone wanting the name or the name of a loved one on or off the list, please call the church or social ministry office. Because of HIPPA regulations, only an immediate family member request the name of a loved one to be placed on the prayer list. Please remember in your prayers:

Dolores Vazzana, Ray Kenneally, Kelly Finnegan, Kimberly Behr, Mary Ann Wilson, Lou Saban, Sr., Michelle Fetzer, Kathleen Grady, George Finley, Robert Kroll, Dennis Guthrie, Tom Fowler, Madge Gillespie, Lori Ann Love, Wanda McAllister, Charles Wenzig, Sandy Zabierowsky, Marilyn Ruffner, Julie Fowler, and Gretchen Marker.

May God extend His helping and healing hands upon them all. In the letter of St. James 5:14-15 we are reminded, "If one of you is ill, he should send for the elders of the church . . . the prayer of the faith will save the sick man."



GUARD THOSE WHO GUARD OUR FREEDOM

Trevor L. McCallum, Michael Borus, Lt. Col. Katrina (Katy) Saban Coolman, Major Joseph Coolman, Joshua Crankshaw, Dalton Dailey, Joseph Dreves, Mark Enzerra, Jason Fullmer, 2nd Lt., Andrew Geisler, Dave Gratten, Matt Hahn, Christopher Kane, Tina Lippert, Christine May, Alexa and Michael Brown, MSgt. Shaun Seguin, SFC Erin Shaw

Pray for the Deceased



Pray for the repose of the souls of Theodore Johnson and Nancy Milliern who recently passed away.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.

MINISTERS - JANUARY 14 & 15, 2017

LECTORS

4:00 PM - TBA 9:00 AM - TBA

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 PM - T. Degonish
9:00 AM - N. & J. Kammersell, D. Greene

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM - M.L. Bassett 9:00 AM - G. Linkhauer

Weekly Collections

Weekend of December 24 & 25, 2016

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00
Offering Collected - \$ 2,830.00
Deficit - \$ 3,070.00

Christmas Collection - \$ 3,379.00
Children's Christmas Offering - \$ 1,067.00

Weekend of Dec. 31, 2016 & Jan. 1, 2017

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00
Offering Collected - \$ 3,092.00
Deficit - \$ 2,808.00

Solemnity of Mary Collection - \$ 775.00

Response from Darlene Harris' office concerning the leaking groundwater on Incarnation of the Lord Church's property.

Subject: Update on Incarnation Parish Leakage
Date: Monday, December 19, 2016

Mayor Quinn,

I spoke with PWSA representatives today and they stated that the state Department of Environmental Protection has discovered a capped mine in the area where they believe water is coming from. They will work with the PSWA to build pipes and connect them to our storm water infrastructure, which will hopefully alleviate the runoff issues. They are still working out the details, so I will keep you updated.

Thanks,

Jeff Martin
Constituent Services Liaison
Office of Councilwoman Darlene Harris
414 Grant Street, 5th Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

SAVE THE DATE - PARISH MEN'S RETREAT The 2017 Incarnation of the Lord Parish Men's retreat will take place January 27 to 29, 2017 at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery. For more information please contact George Linkhauer at (412)952-4127 or Jeff Kammersell at (412)931-4839. If you already know that you want to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity, please call the Retreat Center directly by phone at (412)381-7676.

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Christ became human, and we take up His ministry of love, service, and compassion as an expression of our faith in the Word Incarnate.

RISEN LORD PARISH NEWS

AS A PARISH WE LIFT IN PRAYER...

...Those requesting prayer

For the Healing and Well-Being of All
 For Agnes Sterbenac, Marie McConnell Scotty,
 Debra Butler, and Anonymous

...Those who have gone before us in faith

Guy Hunter, Sr.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in honor of the Blessed Sacrament and in loving memory of

John Jones

from his wife and family.

2017 Sanctuary Candle

We are taking requests for the Sanctuary Candle for 2017. The candle may be lit in remembrance of a deceased member of your family, and not for any other reason. The donation for the candle is \$10 and lasts for one week from Saturday to Friday. **There are many weeks still open waiting to be filled.** Intentions can be made in person or by calling the Parish Office during regular office hours or by filling out the form below and returning it in the offertory collection.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Deceased: _____

Requested by: _____

Date: _____

Alternate Date: _____

Stewardship - Weekend of December 24 & 25, 2016

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00

Collection (116 Envelopes + \$642.00 Loose)	\$2,549.00
PSP - Blue (4 Envelopes)	\$230.00
Total	\$2,779.00
Christmas Offering (110 Env.)	\$3,106.00
Children & Youth Offering (54 Env.+\$291 Loose)	\$972.00
Debt Reduction (5 Env.)	\$65.00
Maintenance & Utilities (7 Env.)	\$43.00
Social Ministry Outreach (2 Env.)	\$6.00

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, January 9

Pastoral Life Committee Meeting
 7:00 PM - Education Center

Wednesday, January 11

Choir Practice - 7:30 PM - Education Center

Saturday, January 14

Damascus Diner - 7:30 to 10:30 AM - Education Center

MANY THANKS to all who helped in decorating for Christmas. We will be taking the decorations down on Sunday, January 8th, after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please help if possible.

Minister Schedule - January 14 & 15, 2017

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 PM - J. Kantenwein, M. Glassbrenner

11:00 AM - S. Murray, M. Miksic

Lectors

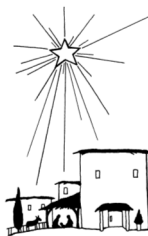
4:00 PM - N. Markovich

11:00 AM - C. Knoer

RISEN LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Risen Lord calls us to rejoice as a united people in the Good News that God loves us and has saved us. Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is challenged to carry God's love to all in our neighborhoods. Through our communal participation in the Word of God and the Eucharist, as a parish, we seek to empower our people to meet this challenge to proclaim the love and hope that is our Risen Lord.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.



SO WHEN IS THE DATE FOR THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD? In the past, it used to be on January 13th, the octave day of the Epiphany. In 1955, Pope Pius XII abolished all but three liturgical octaves (Christmas, Easter, & Pentecost) and instituted a separate feast for the Baptism of the Lord. In 1969, Pope Paul VI established it as the Sunday after January 6th. A problem sometimes arises since most dioceses in the world now celebrate Epiphany as the Sunday between January 2nd and 8th inclusively. Those in Italy, Ireland, Poland, Greece, and parts of Germany still always celebrate Epiphany on January 6th as a Holy Day of Obligation and in 2017 will celebrate the Baptism of the Lord on Sunday, January 8th when the rest of the world will be celebrating Epiphany. This year and in others like it, in order for the whole world to be in synch when Ordinary Time begins, the Baptism of the Lord is transferred to Monday, January 9th for those who celebrate Epiphany on January 8th.

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Keeping the Faith

by Marilyn Ruffner

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. This feast celebrates that Jesus was born for all of us. The wise men were Gentiles. They represent all people when they came to visit and bring gifts to the newborn King. They brought riches as gifts. The shepherds had no wonderful gifts to bring. Jesus is born for all of us whether we are rich or poor. We all have gifts to bring. What are our gifts? In the new year we need to assess ourselves. Do we use our gifts or do they remain hidden? How do we show our love of God to others? Do we show the gift of love to our own families? When we are home, do we have patience and kindness for family members? The communities of Incarnation and Risen Lord need our gifts. Do we want to share the gifts of being a Eucharistic Minister, a lector, or an altar server? We can pray for others when prayers are needed. We can visit shut-ins, help an elderly neighbor, or give someone a ride to church. I read a billboard on my way to work this morning. It said, "The world needs a 'stable' presence." We can be that "stable" presence to others.

This would be a good time of the year to begin practicing gratitude. During the last few weeks we have seen people being extra kind or in a better mood. We usually see this every Christmas. It's called Christmas spirit. Wouldn't it be wonderful if this spirit was around all year? The first gift of this season is the birth of Jesus, the reason for the season. We have received many gifts this year. In the morning when you wake up, thank God for the beginning of another day. Think of at least two other things for which to thank God. Thank another family member or friend for their presence or a kindness they have done for you. Did a co-worker do a favor for you? Thank at least three people you meet during the day. Before you know it, you will realize all of the things we receive daily that deserve gratitude.

The eighth grade retreat is on January 16, 2017 at Martina Spiritual Center. Please pray for all making their Confirmation at Holy Wisdom Parish on February 21, 2017 from our area.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK The Pittsburgh Diocese is home to two nationally recognized programs for children with special needs: St. Anthony School Programs and DePaul School for Hearing and Speech. St. Anthony School Programs provides Catholic special education to children with development delays and autism. DePaul School for Hearing and Speech provides Listening and Spoken Language (LSL) education to children who are deaf or hard of hearing. A special collection to benefit these two organizations will be taken the weekend of January 14-15, 2017 at all masses at each parish. Your generosity will help these organizations forever improve the lives of their students and families.

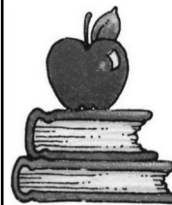
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Week 13 - Ticket 015 - *Patricia Logan* - \$100

Vincentian Academy is offering a Scholarship Entrance Exam on Saturday, January 21, 2017. Merit Based Scholarships will be awarded to incoming ninth grade students who receive the top scores on the exam, as well as a review of their grade school academic transcript.

All students and their families are invited to attend Vincentian Academy's Open House on Sunday, January 22, 2017 from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. Meet with faculty, administrators, students and coaches. Learn about our International Baccalaureate program. Discover what it is like to be exceptional. Financial aid and scholarship opportunities are available.

To register for the Entrance Exam and the Open House, contact the school by phone at (412)364-1616 x115 or by e-mail at admissions@vincentianacademy.org.



NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS The Second Grade at Northside Catholic School is winding down from all the excitement of Christmas. Most recently, they decorated gingerbread people and made cookie cutter ornaments that they took home to share with their families. We can hardly believe that half of the school year is over and we're now aiming for the finish. They have worked really hard and we've accomplished many good things.

We are currently involved in a special program with the Aviary. We are most appreciative of this opportunity to be involved in this "One Northside for Every Student" Program. We had a classroom visit from an instructor from the Aviary, along with her friends, a penguin and a parrot. Wow, were we excited! We were given the opportunity to visit the Aviary on December 19th. In the future, they will provide us with bird feeders and seed, so we can begin our bird watching. We will also hopefully learn about and see first hand how bird banding is done. At the end of the year we will have another opportunity to visit the Aviary with our families at an evening session, especially for us.

In Social Studies, we have been learning about the different kinds of landforms and bodies of water. We made booklets telling about each and illustrated them to share with others. In Math, we have just finished working on money skills to see if it all makes "cents" to us. Next, we're ready to add and subtract using bigger numbers. These are just a few of the wonderful things we do in our class.

The Second Grade would like to wish each of you a Very Happy New Year! For more information on our school please give us a call at (412)761-5043 x3001.

SAVE THE DATES Our annual Night at the Races will be held in the lower level of St. Cyril of Alexandria Church on Friday, February 3, 2017. More information to come soon. Also the Northside Catholic School Open House will be held during the day on Thursday, February 9, 2017 from 12:30-2:00 PM, and in the evening from 6:00-7:30 PM. Come see our school and meet the teachers and students!