# **JANUARY 7, 2018 Epiphany of the Lord**

**READINGS: Isaiah** 60, 1-6 **Psalm** 72 **Ephesians** 3.2-3a, 5-6 **Matthew** 2.1-1-12

## Saturday, January 6, 2018 – 4:00 PM

Offered for: Louise Bero, 43 year Anniversary, and son George Bero, 26 year Anniversary Memorial Mass

Altar Servers: Meagan, Phillip and Morgan Amanda Rourke & Janine Rourke Lectors:

# Sunday, January 7, 2018 10:100 AM

Offered for: Michael Benedict Sr. Memorial Mass. Funeral Collection

Altar Servers: Cheyenne, Keon and Summer

Children/Family Mass Lectors:

## **Tuesday January 9, 2018 7:00 PM**

Offered for: Celia Cook-Conlin Memorial Mass **Funeral Collection** 

# Wednesday, January 10, 2018 12:10 PM

Offered for: Hattie Bashaw Memorial Mass **Funeral Collection** 

# Thursday, January 11, 2017 9:30 AM Tsiionkwanonhso:te Adult Care

Offered for: Thomas B. Sunday, Memorial Mass, Funeral Collection

### Friday, January 12, 2018 12:10 pm

Offered for: Manfred Ransom, Memorial Mass **Funeral Collection** 

### Saturday, January 13, 2018 – 4:00 PM

Offered for: Reginald Mitchell Birthday 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorial Mass and

> Russell Mitchell 14<sup>th</sup> Birthday Anniversary Memorial Mass

Altar Servers: Meagan, Phillip and Morgan Nicky King & Caroline Peters Lectors:

### Sunday, January 14, 2018 10:100 am

Offered for: Sarah and Noah Ransom, Manfred and Orlo Ransom Memorial Mass

Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee Lectors: Brian Thomas & Abram Benedict

**REMINDER**: Rectory office hours are Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to noon. For emergency pastoral needs, please call the Rectory office at 613-575-2753 and leave a message.

#### **SOLEMNITY - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

The Epiphany is a great feast-- the Manifestation of Jesus to the Gentiles. This feast shows us the universality of God's Love. The Magi symbolize foreigners who come to Israel to seek the newborn Child, the Son of God whose light and glory break into human history.

Wise Men Seek Christ! The three kings journeyed far to find Him and to offer their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. In our faith life, we are challenged through the Sacrament of Baptism to journey in life, seeking an ever closer union with God. Adoration follows from an epiphany, a seeing of truth, goodness, and beauty. In Christ, the Light of all nations, the Prince of Peace, God's presence and grace is made manifest. For those who have eyes to see, adoration and praise follow.

WE PRAY - Almighty God, You made known the incarnation of your Word by the witness of a blazing star, at sight of which the Magi worshiped Your majesty and offered gifts. Grant that the star of your justice and love may shine forever in our souls, and that we may find our treasure in offering You praise and adoration. AMEN.

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After Jesus was baptized He came up from the water and behold the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased." (Mt.3: 16-17)

I can learn something about my own baptism from this passage. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, I receive the Holy Spirit and am made a son, a daughter of God. I have the liberty of the children of God. I am part of God's royal family. Now I can do what I can do for the good. As a son or daughter of God, good things are within my reach. God's favor rests upon me! What a tremendous gift is baptism into Christ!

#### WE PRAY FOR ALL IN NEED

Lord, look mercifully on all who need Your grace today. Heal the sick, the broken-hearted, the lonely, the refugees. Bless especially our parishioners who are ill or awaiting surgery --Robert Thompson, Michael Thomas, Teddy Thompson, Larry Rourke, Marilyn Tarbell, Jack Angus, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Isabel and Leonard Garrow, Nancy Phillips, April Benedict, Eleanor Thompson, Clyde Cree, Francis Cree, Ruby Nowak, Abe Lazore, Ruth Smoke, Larry Pyke, Marita Francis, Alexina Auger, Charlotte Francis, Marjorie Lazore and Mary Johnson.

Grant eternal rest to Gloria Cook and consolation to her family.

# The Lord's Prayer (in Mohawk)

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE - E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

# MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS ON HOPE FOR HEAVEN

In his recent series of Wednesday addresses to some 25,000 people attending the General Audience at the Vatican. Pope Francis spoke of Christian Hope and Paradise. He reminded them that "there is no one as bad as he might have been in life, to whom God denies His grace if he repents. In the rooms of so many hospitals, or in prison cells, the miracle of forgiveness and mercy takes place. "

The word PARADISE was spoken by Jesus as He hung upon the cross and He said it to a repentant sinner. The good thief in the face of his imminent death turned to Jesus and prayed, "Remember me when you enter your kingdom." He has no good works to offer to Jesus, but he trusts in Him. Those words of humble repentance were enough to touch the Heart of Jesus Who replied, "This day you shall be with me in Paradise." Where Jesus is, there is mercy and compassion. Without Him, there is coldness and darkness.

Anyone who has been baptized into Christ has no fear of death. Anyone who has been sincere in confessing his sins and seeking forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance has no fear of death. Paradise is open to the repentant sinner. Paradise isn't a fairy tale, nor is it a magic garden. Paradise is God's embrace, infinite Love and we enter, thanks to Jesus, Who died on the cross for us.

What better way can we prepare for a new year of life here and eternal life in Paradise than seeking God's mercy, restoring our baptismal innocence.

### **PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS**

at the St. Regis Mission Church Sacristy/Rectory Chapel unless otherwise noted

**Parish Council Finance Council** St. Kateri Circle **Liturgy Ministry** Altar Rosary Society

January 18, 2018 - 6:00 pm January 12, 2108 - 5:15 pm January 7, 2018 - 4:00 pm February 2, 2018 - 5:00 pm January 7, 2018 - 12:30pm Choir/Music Ministry January 6, 2018 - 1:00 pm at the lakhihsohtha Home for the Elderly

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

On behalf of the Religious Education Program Catechists and volunteers we would like to wish everyone a very blessed 2018 new year, as we resume and continue our faith sharing and preparing our children and youth for the Sacraments of First Eucharist/First Penance and Confirmation. Our schedule for next week is as follows:

First Communion (at Tri-District Elders Lodge) Tues., Jan. 9 at 6:00 pm.

First Communion (St. Kateri Center) Thurs., Jan. 11 at 6:00 pm. Parents' session with Father Jerome. Confirmation (St. Kateri Center) Wed., Jan. 10 at 6:00 pm. Parents' session with Father Jerome.

Adults desiring to prepare and receive any, or all, of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion/First Penance and Confirmation), please register as soon as possible. The first session is scheduled to begin in January. Registration forms are available at www.stregischurch.org just click on the Religious Education tab or you can pick up a form at the St. Kateri Center between the hours of 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday.

To all children, youth and adults preparing to receive their Sacraments, please remember that attending Mass is a requirement to receiving your sacrament. Parents, guardians and sponsors, please bring your children to Church on weekends, and don't forget to sign in. It is also important for parents to attend the first of the month sessions with Father Jerome.

Family Mass is celebrated the first Sunday of every month. For further information or questions about our programs contact Laura Morris Religious Education Coordinator at 518-358-2931

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Children must be pre-registered for Baptism with an application, a copy of their Birth Certificate and an interview with Father Jerome. Registration forms are available for pick up at the Rectory Office TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 9:00 AM TO NOON or by calling 613-575-2753. Baptisms are the third Sunday of every month.

**COLLECTIONS** 

**DECEMBER 30 and 31, 2017 and January 1, 2018** 

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