

The Epiphany of the Lord, The Baptism of the Lord, St. Hilary, January—Sanctity of Life Month

MASS INTENTIONS—January 7th—January 15th

Saturday—5pm Sister Bertina Korphage

Sunday—8am +Bob Lopez (Barbara Rouse)

10am People of St. Patrick's Parish

Monday—8am Mike & Linda Ryan (Lou Ann Jones)

Tuesday—8am +Kathleen O'Neal
(Jim & Janie Schibi)

Wednesday—7am Adam & Kayan Myers
(John & Megan Rexwinkle)

Thursday—7am +Doris Moses (Jerry & Janie Beachner)

Friday—7am Ray Jones (Richard & Darlene Johnsen)

Next Weekends Intentions:

Saturday—5pm Lakkin Keene

Sunday—8am Dorothy Charles

10am People of St. Patrick's Parish



Eternal Rest Grant Unto her, O Lord:
Kathleen Hills, mother of Vicki Templeton, grandmother of Katie Hizey and husband, Sean and Ryan Templeton. And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon her. May she Rest in Peace. Amen.

The Catholic Side

Praised Be Jesus Christ!

We are a week in to the new year. I suspect it is going to go by just as fast as the last one did! Our CYM group will head to the 43rd Annual March for Life later this month. We are leaving on the 25th of January at 12:30 pm and will return in the late afternoon on the 29th. We will be visiting Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD (where James Schibi is studying) as well as other historical sites in the Washington, D.C. area. Friday the 27th is the day of the March. On this day, we will begin our day at the Franciscan Shrine of the Holy Land with Holy Mass there. This is a neat church built as a replica to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. From there we will journey to the National Mall to participate in the March. It is truly a profound experience. It is stunning the number of people who come, especially knowing that it is usually cold, sometimes bitterly so. There is a palpable hope that the annual March for Life is in its last days. Hopefully our prayers and sacrifices will help speed the end to abortion and all sins against life.

Some people might not have noticed that there are a bunch of church envelopes in the East part of the entry to the church. If you have not had the chance, please find your envelopes and take them home (and use them, too :).

The seminarians are heading back to their respective seminaries this week. Please keep them all in your prayers, especially James Schibi. In just a few short months he will be ordained a transitional deacon. He is in a class of 10 for our diocese. I know that all of them would appreciate your prayers as they draw closer to this momentous step in their journey to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis gave a beautiful, short talk on our Lady for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Here it is:
Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

In recent days we have rested our adoring gaze on the Son of God, born in Bethlehem; today, the Solemnity of Mary Most Holy Mother of God, we turn our gaze to the Mother, while reflecting upon each of them in their close relation. This bond is not exhausted for the fact of having begot and been begotten; Jesus is "born of woman" (Gal 4:4) for a mission of salvation, and his mother is not excluded from this mission, but rather, is intimately associated with it. Mary is aware of this. Therefore she is not closed to considering only her maternal relationship with Jesus, but remains open and attentive toward all the events that take place around him: she keeps and ponders, scrutinizes and closely examines them, as today's Gospel reading tells us (cf. Lk 2:19). She has already said her "yes" and conveyed her willingness to be involved in the fulfillment of the salvific plan of God, who "has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree, he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away" (Lk 1:51-53). Now, silent and attentive, she tries to understand what God asks of her day by day. The visit of the shepherds offers her the opportunity to understand something of God's will as manifested by these humble and poor people. Luke the Evangelist recounts for us the shepherds' visit to the grotto with a close succession of verbs expressing movement. He thus says: they go with haste, they find the Babe with Mary and Joseph, they see, they report what they had been told about him, and lastly they glorify God (cf. Lk 2:16-20). Mary closely follows this passage, what the shepherds say, what has happened to them, because she already perceives in it the movement of salvation, which will flow from the work of Jesus, and she adapts, ready for every request of the Lord. God asks Mary not only to be mother of his only begotten Son, but also to cooperate with the Son and for the Son in the plan of salvation, in order that in her, a humble handmaid, great works of divine mercy may be fulfilled. Now, as we, like the shepherds, contemplate the icon of the Babe in his mother's arms, we feel growing in our hearts a sense of immense gratitude to She who has given the Saviour to the world. For this reason, on the first day of a new year, we say to her: Thank you, O Holy Mother of the Son of God, Holy Mother of God! / Thank you for your humility which drew the gaze of God; / thank you for the faith with which you received his Word; / thank you for the courage with which you said "here I am"; / forgetting yourself, enthralled by Holy Love, / made wholly one with his hope. / Thank you, O Holy Mother of God! / Pray for us, pilgrims in time; / help us to walk on the path of peace. / Amen.

May our holy patron, St. Patrick, intercede for us. St. Joseph, pray for us.

Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. Peace in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Borkenhagen

P.S. You might have noticed a brochure in the pew on *Ad Orientem* Worship. Please leave this in the pews, as it is helpful to our visitors who are unfamiliar with the priest and the people facing the same way during the Holy Mass. Thank you!

JUST A REMINDER—Please drop your Stewardship packets in the collection plate at your earliest convenience! Thanks so much!

PARISH NEWS

"E-C-H-O...Echo wants you to know that the child in the womb IS human, has a personality, is miraculously developing, and is complete from the moment of conception. At conception, your DNA is complete. Your DNA is like your computer program. Everything about you, physically, is already determined by your DNA. How tall you will be, the color of your eyes, the color of your hair, whether you will wear glasses, whether you will get diabetes, all this and much more was determined when you were just one cell. All you have done is grown up. All you need to grow up is food, water, oxygen, and warmth. Nothing else is added. You are a complete human being from the moment of conception and you have lots of potential.

CHRISTMAS DE-DECORATING—Even though it seems like we just got all the decorations up, it is time to take them down today at Noon. Please pray about helping with this act of Stewardship as it is a lot of work. The more bodies there are to help, the faster it will get done.

If you'd like a print out of your 2016 Charitable Contributions for tax purposes, please call the Rectory.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Mike and Linda Ryan, Juanita Wilkerson, Gary Volmer

SEE THE SHRINES OF SPAIN, LOURDES AND FATIMA—Go on a Jubilee Pilgrimage with Fr. Michael Schemm to the Shrines of Spain, Lourdes and Fatima from April 20th—April 30th, 2017. Some stops on the way include Barcelona, Madrid, Avila, and Lisbon. Cost for Air and Land from Wichita is \$3,495.00 per person. For more info contact Susan Prendergast at Select International Tours by calling 800-842-4842 or emailing susan@select-intl.com

2017 **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**—are in the back of the church. Contact the office at 421-6762 if you have questions regarding your envelopes.

SPEND ONE HOUR WITH OUR LORD!
Adorers are needed for the following hours:

Wed 3-4am, Tues 10-11am,

Thur 3-4pm, Sat 2-3am,

Sat 5-6pm (every other weekend),

Sat 6-7pm (every other weekend),

Sat 10-11pm, Sun 12-1am, Sun 5-6am.

RALLY FOR LIFE—Since January 22nd, 1973 there have been at least 61 million abortions. The Supreme Court said abortion was legal but only God has divine authority over life and death. Our country is suffering because of the loss of life and the women who have been devastated by an abortion experience. Join us in proclaiming the sanctity of life at the Rally for Life Monday, January 23rd on the steps of the State Capitol in Topeka. Registration starts at 8:30am. For more info call Kansans For Life at 1-800-928-5433 or check out www.kfl.org

Stewarding our Gifts...

"GO IN PEACE, GLORIFYING THE LORD BY YOUR LIFE."

Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord

The promise of redemption followed man's fall from grace in the Garden of Eden. The prophet Isaiah proclaimed to the Israelites a message from God that the Holy City of God would be a light to the nations. The full meaning of this message was made apparent as events unfolded after Jesus' birth. The wise men from a country to the east learned that a new king was born and traveled to Jerusalem to find and acknowledge him. After Jesus' resurrection St. Paul was given a commission to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles. Like Isaiah and St. Paul we are called to share the message we receive from God that He is the Lord and his Love is all encompassing. Like the Magi, we respond to God's presence by offering gifts to him. May we exult in the coming of the Lord and turn our hearts to seek the peace and joy that He alone can bring.

Stewardship of Treasure

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:

December 31st—January 1st

NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$9,792.00

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PATRICK'S THIS WEEK:

Sun Jan 8	*The Epiphany of the Lord	
	*RCIA Class	9:15am-12pm
	—Holy Orders/Matrimony	
Mon Jan 9	*Rosary in the Church	7:30am
Tue Jan 10	*Rosary in the Church	7:30am
	*Cursillo Group Meets	5:30pm
	*Stewardship Council Meeting	5:30pm
	—Rectory	
	*School Council Meeting	6:45pm
	—Rectory	
	*FertilityCare Services Intro Class	7pm
	—Parish Hall; Sonja Schibi, FertilityCare Practitioner Intern	
	*Knights of Columbus Meeting	7pm
Wed Jan 11	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
	*Cursillo Group Meets	5:15pm
	*K-5 PSR Family Night—Parish Hall	5:30pm
	*Middle School EDGE	6pm
	*CYM Meeting—Parish Hall	7pm
Thur Jan 12	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
	*Theology on Tap—Kitchen Pass	6:30pm
Fri Jan 13	*Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of Sacred Scripture for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and strength upon the Church	
	*Rosary in the Church	6:30am
Sat Jan 14	*Rosary	6:30am
	*Latin Mass	7am
	*Cursillo Group Meets—Hall	7:40am
	*Church Cleaning	8am
	*Confessions	3:30pm
	*CHEER FOR LIFE Clinic—Gym	1:30pm
Sun Jan 15	*The Epiphany of the Lord	
	*RCIA Class—	9:15am-12pm
	Anointing of the Sick; Redemptive Suffering; Reconciliation	

Thank You!!!—The Pro-Life Committee would like to thank everyone who helped fulfill the needs on the Adopt-A-Mom/Adopt-A-Family tree. We can only imagine the joy you helped bring to the others during this Christmas season. May you continue to share the light of Christ as we enter 2017!

FYI—Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is January 29th–February 4th. We will begin the week with open house and registration for St. Patrick Catholic School 2017-2018 school year Sunday, January 29th from 9am-12pm. Please watch the bulletin for more details about the events taking place during CSW!

Altar Servers:

Jan 14—5pm M Bogner/C O'Hara/J O'Hara

Jan 15—8am E Wheat/A Nibarger/C Westhoff

10am J Forbes/J Schibi/Ka Waun/I Mann

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jan 14—5pm Vicki Templeton

Jan 15—8am Cindy Dhooghe

10am Tracy Holzem

Lector:

Jan 14—5pm Lowell Wells

Jan 15—8am Stephanie Reitemeier

10am Lupe Ponce

Offertory Gifts:

Jan 14—5pm Steve and Sheila Ramsey

Jan 15—8am Dan and Teres Bogner/Millie Bogner

10am Keith and Leslie Keller

Ushers:

Jan 14—5pm Cupp/VanMieghem/Moreno/Ritz

Jan 15—8am Swearengin/Perez/Jacquinet/Chandler

10am K & L Keller / T & L Hunter

Money Counters:

Jan 14 & Jan 15—Sue O'Brien

Mike and Janice Dulohery