

January 8, 2012
Epiphany of the Lord

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Cluster Corner....Mass Times

SATURDAY

4:00 pm Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:30 pm Mary Queen of Heaven

5:30 pm St. Aloysius

SUNDAY

7:30 am Immaculate Heart of Mary

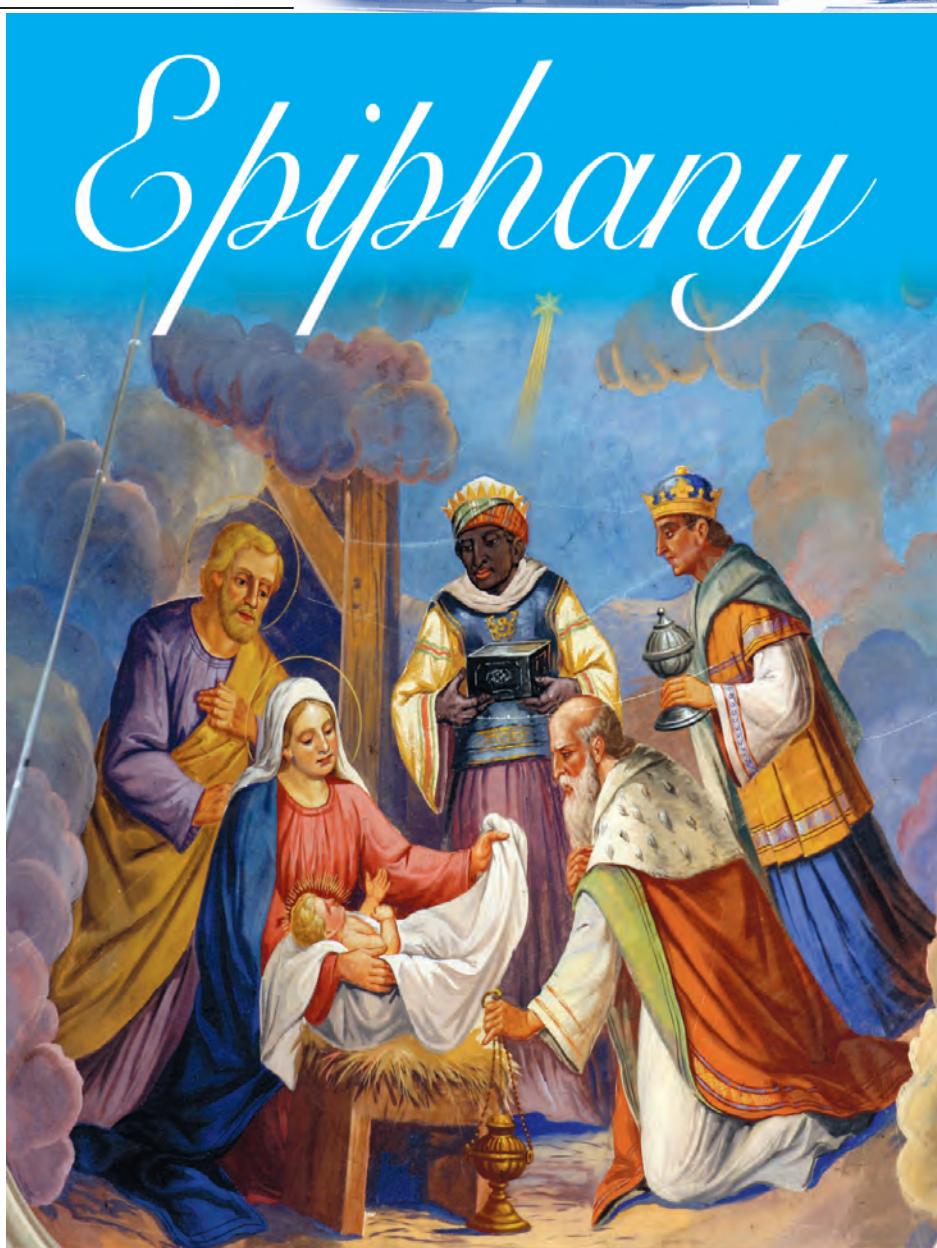
8:30 am Mary Queen of Heaven

9:30 am Immaculate Heart of Mary

10:00 am St Aloysius

11:00 am Mary Queen of Heaven

7:00 pm St. Aloysius



OF THE LORD

A Shepherd for All People

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Make no mistake, there is darkness and there is light. Someday there will be only light, but not yet. Isaiah says darkness covers the world, but over Israel God's light is shining. It shines so brightly that the people will themselves become light for the rest of the world. No one is doomed to darkness. Darkness is a choice. All who seek light will find it. When Herod hears of the starlight followed by the Magi, he wants to know of it. He wants it brought to him, not to bask in its brilliance, but to devour it. The foreign kings bring news of the birth of light and Herod resolves to snuff it out.

Even Paul speaks of light that is seen by some and not others. Knowledge is his light, and it was given to him by God, even though it was withheld from former ages and sages. Now it is made known: the rest of the earth, not just those on whom God's light first shone, are heirs of the light. Gentile as well as Jew can bask in the glow of the Gospel. Some are so eager for that light that they come from afar, seeking its source. They find him, lying in his mother's lap, fragile and helpless. But anyone with eyes to see will recognize him, fall upon their knees, open wide their hearts, and pour forth their greatest treasures. And when they do, they, too, will be light.



"... the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel" (Ephesians 3:6).

SHARING FAITH

- ◆ Why is light such a pervasive symbol in the Bible? How does it speak to you of the presence and work of God in your life?
- ◆ This solemnity celebrates Christ's manifestation to the world. How do you manifest the presence of Christ in your life?
- ◆ The Magi followed the light of a star to find the Light of the World. Who or what has lit the way for you, guided you toward Jesus, shown you the love and mercy of God, and helped you to see Christ in all people?

LIVING THE LITURGY

- ◆ In some countries, gifts are exchanged today instead of on Christmas. Think of someone in need of "light" in their life and give them a gift of a small candle.
- ◆ The foreign kings needed humility to pay homage to a "king" who was so different from themselves. Find a book or article to read that espouses a position you would have trouble accepting. After reading it, list at least three things you learned and see differently than before.
- ◆ Together with your family, make a menu for the week, incorporating everyone's favorite foods from other countries. Read a little about each country represented in your menu, learn a word or phrase in the language, listen to the nation's traditional music, and so on. When you say grace, pray for peace and blessings for the people of each land, remembering that Jesus is the Shepherd of all.

TO CARE



Cluster Corner: Adult Education

Scripture Studies for THE NEW YEAR: "Relating to Others as Jesus Would"

Six week small faith groups will be offered on either:

MONDAY or THURSDAY MORNINGS 8:45-10 am

Or WEDNESDAY MORNING 10-11:15 am

All groups will meet in the IHM Parish Offices (unless notified otherwise)

ALL GROUPS BEGIN the Week of JANUARY 9

Additional groups will be formed if needed.

Want to facilitate a group? Training available.

Series is published by Loyola Press and will include prayerful

Reflection on the scripture passages that show how Jesus related to His family, seekers, sinners, people He met, those who rejected him and His friends. *Sign-up is ongoing and Books will be available after Christmas*

COST: \$8 FOR THE BOOK

Contact Kathy Smith 414-453-5192 or kathy@ihmwestallis.com

HYM NEWS:

January 12, 19 & 26th: HYM Bible Study—8:00—9:00 PM

January 14-15: Confirmation Retreat at St. Francis seminary. Please keep the teens, the team and those they will serve in your prayers! Thanks!

January 18: HYM YOUTH Nite—7:00—8:30 pm

January 20: IGNITE Youth Rally for Life—5:00—9:00 pm @ Archbishop Cousins Center

January 28 or 29: Confirmation Rite of Welcome—All Masses

January 29: Confirmation Candidates AND Sponsors: - 7:00—8:00 pm @ St. Mary's Hales Corners—
"Confirmation and Beyond: We Can't Quit Now!" with Rich Curran



Holy Hour for Life – January 22, 2012 An Hour of Prayer with Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

On **January 22nd**, the **vigil** of the National Day of Penance and Prayer a **Holy Hour for Life** will be held simultaneously in approximately 100 parishes across the Archdiocese from 7:00—8:00 pm. These Holy Hours will be led by Deacons of the Milwaukee Archdiocese, and co-sponsored by Deacon Services and the Nazareth Project for Marriage and Family Formation. A PDF with a list of locations is available on both the Archdiocesan website (www.archmil.org) and the John Paul II Center website (www.johnpaul2center.org.) Consider coming to spend an hour in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament praying for a consistent life ethic for all stages of life—from conception to natural death.

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TO CARE

Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass—January 23, 2012

On **Monday, January 23rd**, Archbishop ListECKI will preside at the Archdiocese's observance of the *National Day of Penance and Prayer*. The **Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass** will be held at St. Jerome Parish in Oconomowoc (995 S. Silver Lake St.) Seminarians from St. Francis de Sales Seminary will lead the *Rosary for Life* at 6:00 pm followed by Mass at 7:00 pm. A reception will follow. **Come join in fellowship with Catholics from around the Archdiocese as we pray in penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion and for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.**

FAITH-A-THON 2012

A Faith Facts Contest for Grades 6, 7 and 8

TYME OUT is proud to announce the 12th annual Milwaukee Archdiocese & TYME OUT Youth Ministry and Retreat Center, Faith-a-thon.

When: Friday, May 11, 2012, or Saturday, April 28, 2012, 8:30 am—2:00 pm

Where: TYME OUT Youth Ministry and Retreat Center on Friday and Archbishop Cousins Catholic Center on Saturday

Who: Teams of middle school students from archdiocesan schools parishes

Why: To encourage young Catholics to learn the basic factual data that supports their faith

Sponsors: Office of Catechesis & Youth Ministry and the TYME OUT Youth Center

Fee: \$20 per youth participant which includes lunch, snacks, a T-shirt and incidental supplies

For more information, please go to the website, <http://www.tymout.org/faith-a-thon.php> or call TYME OUT at 262-966-1800.

National Migration Week 2012: January 8-14

"Welcoming Christ in the Migrant" presented by Immigration Attorney Joseph Rivas

Wednesday, January 11th, 7:00-8:30 pm, Section A, Parish Hall, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 3722 S. 58th St., Milwaukee

Carpool possible from IHM parking lot at 6:30 pm Contact Kathy Smith if interested 414-453-5192 or kathy@ihmwestallis.com

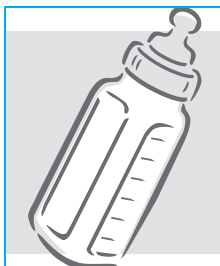


COMMUNITY LIFE

Thank You From Women's Care Center and Sharon Hudy!

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your most generous contribution to our fall Baby Bottle Campaign.



All of the coins have been counted and in just 30 days, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish raised \$1,642.12!!

There are so many ways that we can utilize these funds...We can:

- Purchase 10 new portable cribs with mattresses that our clients can earn through out coupon incentive program.
- Maintain the much needed supplies, and maintenance of, our ultrasound machines which we operate on a full-time basis (40 hours per week)
- Invest in educational materials for our many programs related to baby basics, sexual integrity, one-on-one birth preparation, goal setting and more.

You are such an important part of helping the young women and men of our community to have the opportunities to choose life for their precious babies!

Please call me any time at 414-550-4855 if you are interested in a tour of our beautiful facilities or to learn more about this amazing mission of loving kindness!

A most heartfelt thanks to you all!

Happy New Year!

Sharon Hudy
Administrator, Women's Care Center
Choir Director, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish



Weekly Exercise Classes Back By Popular Request

They will begin on Wednesday, Jan. 11th at 8:45 am in IHM Parish Hall. Some exercises will be set to music by certified personal trainer, Harriet Steckhahn. Others will feature favorite tapes from the past. Time to get fit after our holiday celebrations! Call Dorothy Wutt for more information at 262-782-8768.



New Member Registration Form

Welcome to the prayer community of Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please fill out the registration form below and return it to the parish office. The goal of our parish is to be a family of faith, prayer and love. God bless you.

Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.

_____ Last Name First Name

_____ Date of Birth Religion

_____ Address

_____ City State Zip

_____ Phone E-Mail

_____ Occupation Place of Employment

Sacraments received: _____

_____ Previous Parish

Single _____ Divorced _____ Married _____ Widowed _____

If married:

Date: _____ Church: _____

_____ Spouse's First Name Maiden

_____ Date of Birth Religion

_____ Occupation Place of Employment

Sacraments received: _____

Please list any children:

1. _____
Name Date of Birth Religion Grade/School

Sacraments received: _____

2. _____
Name Date of Birth Religion Grade/School

Sacraments received: _____

3. _____
Name Date of Birth Religion Grade/School

Sacraments received: _____

4. _____
Name Date of Birth Religion Grade/School

Sacraments received: _____

5. _____
Name Date of Birth Religion Grade/School

4 Sacraments received: _____

SCHEDULES

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 8, 2012

7:30 am † For Parishioners

9:30 am † Anastasia Bezak

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

8:00 am † For Parishioners

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

8:00 am † For Parishioners

Thursday, January 12, 2012

8:00 am † All Souls Intention

Saturday, January 14, 2012

4:00 pm † All Souls Intention

Sunday, January 15, 2012

7:30 am † For Parishioners

9:30 am † Joyce Bielawski



Parish Calendar

Sunday, January 8, 2012

Hospitality and Blood Check After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Liturgies

Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate Sale After 7:30 & 9:30 AM Liturgies

Monday, January 9, 2012

8:45—10:00 am—**Scripture Studies**—Parish Conference Room

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

1:30 pm—**Liturgy Meeting**—Parish Meeting Room

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

8:45 am—**Exercise Class**—Church Hall

10:00—11:30 am—**Scripture Studies**—Parish Conference Room

Thursday, January 12, 2012

8:45 am—**Scripture Studies**—Parish Conference Room

Readings for the Week Of January 8, 2012

- Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
- Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
- Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17
- Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



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Eucharistic Tabernacle Lamp

There are several months available for 2012 to have the Eucharistic Chapel Lamp burn for your intention. Please call the Parish Office at 414-453-5192 to reserve your month. What a wonderful way to remember a special person.



Mass Intentions

We have several dates in 2012 that are available for you to reserve for a mass intention. These can be for deceased loved ones, or for special prayers for someone who is ill or just needs prayers, as all of us do. Please call the parish office at 414-453-5192 to reserve a mass.

News from Mary Queen of Saints



Students returned to school on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd, to work hard to finish the second quarter on a high note. Hopefully, the Christmas break gave teachers and students a chance to relax and re-energize for the weeks ahead. The kringle and homemade pizza sales end Friday, Jan. 13th, so be sure to get your orders in. You can contact a school student or call the office to place an order. Many parents and students will be gathering on Saturday, the 28th, to make the pizzas and sort the kringles. This fundraiser accomplishes two important goals for our school: raising funds and building community. Special thanks to the families who organize this huge endeavor. Thank you again for your excellent support!

