# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH REED, KY



ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA CATHOLIC CHURCH STANLEY, KY



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#### **Check Out the Back of Church**

Please stop in the back of church to pick up your family's 2018 Donor Envelopes, 2018 Church Calendar and your contribution report or Tax report for 2017.

# **Christmas Decorations (Both Parishes)**

Please plan to help take down the Christmas decorations this Sunday, January 7th, 2018 After the Sunday Mass.

# St. Peter Parish Auxiliary

The Parish Auxiliary will meet January 10th, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Please make plans to attend. All are invited!

#### **Get Well Cards**

If you would like to send a card to **Lee Ann Schrecker** Address is: 8841 Hwy 60 West, Owensboro KY 42301.

#### **Election of New Parish Council Members**

It is time to elect new members to St. Peter's parish council. You will find nomination paper in your pews. You are expected to nominate 3 people to the council, before 28th of this month.

#### **Opportunities for Life**

January 13-14 is the weekend designated for the Annual Collection to support **Opportunities for Life**. Opportunities for Life is a life affirming ministry of the Bishops of Kentucky. The *OFL* ministry is available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to offer confidential, non-judgmental emotional support, and information to those affected by an untimely pregnancy. Please be generous in your support of this ministry. In addition to your generous gift, please pray for the *OFL* volunteers and for those the ministry serves. To learn more about **Opportunities for Life**, and volunteer opportunities with the ministry, please call (888) 496-3638.

### **Parish Council Meeting**

The St. Peter Parish Council will meet Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. All are welcome!

# **Parish Council Meeting**

The St. Augustine parish council will meet Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm. All are welcome

# Welcome to St. Augustine / St. Peter of Alcantara Parish!

We want to welcome our visitors and new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Jegin. If you have not registered, we ask that you complete a form found by the bulletins in the back of church, and return it to the office. We are glad that you are here to share the Liturgy with our community. Those who plan to move from our parish are requested to inform the office.



#### Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

It was in 2005 April 19, College of Cardinals gathered together in Sistine Chapel in Rome to elect a new pope for the Catholic Church after the passing away of Pope John Paul II. So many people gathered in Vatican square, waiting to know the new pope. Three times black smoke came out through the chimney indicating, three times election took place but the new pope is not elected yet. After a couple of hours, the fourth election took place and people saw white smoke through the chimney of Sistine chapel and people waiting outside shouted aloud with joy; "we have a pope, "Viva Eil Papa", let Pope live forever. Yes, it was then Pope Benedict XVI was elected as the pope to lead the church. Yes, it is through the white smoke coming out from the chimney of Sistine Chapel, people outside came to know about the new pope.

Today, we celebrate the feast of epiphany. On this beautiful day of celebration, we have three magi from the east, namely Melchior, Gasper and Balthasar, to let us and the world know about the birth of Jesus, who is born to lead our soul in peace and to everlasting life. At this time, it should be well remembered by everyone of us that, these three wise men are not Jews, but they are outsiders. It is a big shame on the people of Israel that they did not recognize and give enough importance to the birth of their savior, for whom they were all waiting for. Thus, the attitude of Magi and the people of Israel of that time are raising great challenge before each one of us. It was just two weeks before, we celebrated the birth of Jesus in a very grant way, but in our celebrations, did we give enough importance to Jesus? Or did we miss Him at His birthday party? As Christians, bearing the name of Christ, did we/do we live up to the spirit of Christmas, and let others know that Christ is born in our life and dwelling in our family through our words and actions? The coming of Magi, proclaims good news to the world about the birth of Jesus, but what is the good news we shared with others and with the world? As Christians, the only good news we are expected to give to others and to the world is about our birth in Jesus Christ. So to say, be a blessing to everyone and to the world through our thoughts, words and actions.

Being born again in Jesus Christ is the challenge, the feast of epiphany is giving us today. Because, the person who has born again in Jesus Christ, cannot be the same person and cannot walk back through the same road, and that is the message the life of magi is presenting to us. Even through, the three wise men ordered to report back to the worldly king of the Jews-King Herod, about the whereabouts of Jesus birth, we see that, after seeing the King of the Universe, the entire life of wise men are changed. The Gospel reports that, they departed for their country by another way. Yes, the wise men followed the star to Bethlehem and came to meet the Child Jesus as worldly people, but when they saw God in flesh face to face and experienced Him, they became Godly people.

Yes, just like the wise men were led by a star to Bethlehem, today, we are all guided to the Church by the same star, to see and to experience the God in Flesh through this celebration of Eucharist and all other sacraments. But the question

Gospel of Mathew 5:8 says "Blessed are the pure in heart, they will see God." Yes, only our birth in Jesus makes us Godly people. Today, the world needs Godly people other than just people in the world. As Christians, let us be committed to the call we have received; "be holy, as the Heavenly Father is Holy." Thus let us proclaimed to others and to the world that Jesus is born in my life. God Bless You.

#### **Breakfast Pot Luck**

St. Augustine Parish will have their monthly breakfast pot luck after Mass Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

#### **Diocese of Owensboro Announcement**

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Catholic. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement (270-685-8444) or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

To report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this <u>confidential</u> phone line: 270-852-8380.

The Diocese of Owensboro Sexual Abuse Policy is available in the back of Church on the parish library shelves and also on the diocesan web site (www.rcdok.org/safe).

#### **CURSILLO**

In this Year of Encounter please consider making a Cursillo Weekend at Mount Saint Joseph: March 1-4 (Men); March 8-11 (Women) Cost is \$ 160 (financial assistance available). For more information Please contact Fr. Tom Buckman, Spiritual Director,270-684-4745-<a href="mailto:frtom@stpiustenthparish.org">frtom@stpiustenthparish.org</a>; Scott Elliott, Men's Coordinator, 270-302-5660, <a href="mailto:cursillofe5930@gmail.com">cursillofe5930@gmail.com</a>; Kim Haire, Women's Coordinator; 270-314-5876, <a href="mailto:kim.haire@pastoral.org">kim.haire@pastoral.org</a>.

#### **Stanley Food Pantry**

The Stanley Baptist Church Food Pantry is open on Saturdays from 9-12. Anyone in need is invited to come. Anyone wanting to donate non-perishable items are welcome also. For info Bobby Goatee (270-993-9500).

# Marriage Help

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped thousands of couples who are disillusioned or even experiencing misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on January 12, 2018, call the Family Life office at 270-852-8346, or 270-929-1524 or email: felliott3232@yahoo.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org

#### **Catholic Men's Conference**

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Conference will be held Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at the Riverpark Center in Owensboro. The conference includes the following well known Catholic speakers: Christopher West and Doug Berry. For more information go to www.kycatholic.com

#### **Faith Formation Class Schedule**



January 7	10:30am
January 14	10:30am
January 21	10:30am
January 28	10:30am
February 5	10:30am
February 12	10:30am
February 19	10:30am
February 26	10:30am
March 5	10:30am
March 12	10:30am
March 19	10:30am
March 26	10:30am
April 2	no class

# **Up Coming Events**

Jan 7 Breakfast Pot Luck - SA

\*\*SA - St. Augustine \*\*SP - St. Peter

### Let's Pray For Our Country!

A group of people are meeting each Saturday morning at 8:00am at St. Augustine Parish to pray the Patriotic Rosary for the United States of America. You are invited to attend--every Saturday or any Saturday that you can. This is important work!

### **Daycare Custodian**

St. Pius X Daycare is seeking a part-time custodian, 6-8 hours per week, early morning or late afternoon. High School diploma or equivalent required, experience a plus. Apply at the St. Pius Church Office.

# **Special Collections**

Jan 14 Opportunities for Life

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#### Sacrament of Marriage

A couple wishing to marry must contact the priest at least six months before the desired wedding date. According to the guidelines of our diocese, you should not make absolute plans for a specific wedding date until after meeting with the pastor. The couple will be required to attend a marriage preparation course which will include at least one formal program such as an Engaged Encounter weekend or the Sponsor Couple Program.

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is administered upon request. Parents and Godparents must attend an evening class on Baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact the pastor and set up an appointment for this class at least a month in advance. At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic for their child to be baptized in the Catholic Church. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, and at least one must be a practicing Catholic.

#### Sacraments to the Home-Bound

Please inform the pastor or the parish office if you know of anyone who is home-bound, so that we can insure that they are afforded ample opportunities to receive the Sacraments. We would rather be notified by several people than to not be notified at all, so please don't presume that someone else has already notified us.

# St. Augustine Ministries January 14th

#### Servers:

01/14 8am Claire Boeglin & Gabe McFarland

#### Lector:

01/14 8am Dee Anna Booker

#### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

01/14 8am Larry Schwartz & Dee Anna Booker

#### Gifts:

01/14 8am Ben Blair Family

#### **Ushers:**

Jimmy Davis & Kathy Wolfe

#### **Church Cleaners:**

Shelley Payne (Jan 14-27)

# January is the month to Pray for All Unborn Children

"Let the little children come to me, do not stop them."

Church Cleaners: Cleaning the Church is an act of your love and gratitude to God for our Church. If for some reason you are unable to clean when it is your turn, please Herschel contact Smith 270-302-0601 and for a fee of \$30.00 he will clean for your two weeks. If you are physically unable clean, to please contact Herschel so other arrangements can be made.



# WEEKLY SCHEDULE January 7-14

### Sunday - Epiphany of the Lord

-8am Mass @ St. Augustine - Jack & Martha Crabtree 9.00am @ St. Augustine-Breakfast potluck -9:30am Mass @ St. Peter - People of the Parishes 10.30am Faith Formation

# Monday - Baptism of the Lord

Office Closed

-8am Mass @ St. Peter-David Cecil

**Tuesday -** First week in Ordinary Time -8am Mass @ St. Peter - Nannie Mae Aull

Wednesday - First week in Ordinary Time

-8am Mass @ St. Peter - Shirley Dunn

Thursday - First week in Ordinary Time

-8am Mass @ St. Peter - Jeff Millary

Friday - First Friday in Ordinary Time
7:30am Adoration & Confession @ St. Peter
-8am Mass @ St. Peter - Clifford Hall

### Saturday -

-8am @ St. Augustine the Patriotic Rosary

-3pm Confessions @ St. Peter

-4pm Mass @ St. Peter - Bobby Edelen

**Sunday -** The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph -8am Mass @ St. Augustine - Jack & Bonnie Crabtree

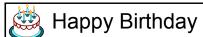
-9:30am Mass @ St. Peter - People of the Parishes

-10:30am Faith Formation Classes

# Happy Anniversary



Bless all Married Couples



Olivia Miller 01/12

# An Accounting of Your Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Budget \$1,403.85

Actual Collection: December 31

Sunday Collection, \$2,565.00

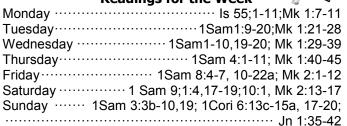
St. Vincent De Paul...........\$85.00

First Offering ............\$05.00

# Please continue to pray for the following Parishioners & Friends:

Sophia Blair, Dee Anna Booker, Sr. Michael Bridget, Rethia Bumgardner, Shelia Byrne, Betty Cecil, Barbara Connor, Tonya Crabtree, Richard DeMar, Alan Ebelhar, Mark Embrey, Stella Fogle, Delbert Fulkerson, Robin Hardesty, Mason Jackson, Nicholas Jackson, Fr. Jegin, Mack Lacer, Leslie LeClure, Paula Mayfield, David Medley, Margie Merimee, Anita Mitchell, Ralph Mitchell, Angie Park, Kenny Pendleton, Fr. Pike Powell, Steve Raley, Randall Schwartz, Lee Ann Schrecker, Chris Settles, Barbara Smith, Juanita Spalding, Betty Wathen, Lori Winstead, Sam Winstead, Bill Young, Lillian Young

#### **Readings for the Week**



#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated upon request, and at least four times a year during the weekend Masses. Please notify the pastor or call the parish office if you know of anyone who might need this sacrament, but may not be able to notify the pastor personally. Please inform the pastor or someone in the parish office if you or any of your family is in the hospital or going into the hospital. If your doctor is willing we can also have a blessing for him/her at the time of your anointing.

#### **Bulletin Information**

Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitted to St. Peter's office by **Wednesday**. 270-764-1983 or lschrecker@stpeterofalcantara.com.