

Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2018

Saturday	4pm	January 6	Ernest & Sophie Deslauriers: The family
Sunday	8am	January 7	Michelle McCrystal Provost: Jeri Vadnais & family
Sunday	10pm	January 7	Rachel Rucki: Her husband & family
Sunday	5:30pm	January 7	Richard Maynard: Father Piotr
Monday	7am	January 8	19 th Ann. Agnes Piche: Harold & Patti
Tuesday	7am	January 9	RoseAlma Dansereau & Estelle L. Butcher : their family
Wednesday	7am	January 10	
Thursday	7am	January 11	Mary Powers: Father Piotr
Friday	6pm	January 12	12 th Ann. Jaqueline Szczypanek: her sons
Saturday	4pm	January 13	Edwin & Mary Teczar: their children
Sunday	8am	January 14	Melissa Soja, Rip & Mamie Soja & Lailyn Soja: their family
Sunday	10am	January 14	Francis & Dorien Bouchard, Frank & Lucienne Anair: Fran & Bonnie Anair
Sunday	5:30pm	January 14	Craig Robidoux: his family

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for the Coming Week : Jan 13th & 14th

Saturday 4pm

Lector: Nancy Talbot
E.M: H Garceau, J Cascio
S Butcher, P Antaya, C Cascio

Sunday 8am

Miranda Lacoste
R. Boivin, B Rolla
A Humpel

Sunday 10am

John Desmond
C. Kobis, S Rutherford
D Kenyon, J Lussier

Sunday 5:30

Jim Young

Last Weekend's Collection: \$4704 – Thank you!

CCD corner: Grades K-6 classes resume this Sunday at 8:45 am - Parish Hall

Grades 7 and 8 - Next class: March 12 at 7 pm - Lenten Penance Service

Grades 9 - 11; Next Class: January 28; Class Time: 10:45 - 11:45 AM: Place: St. Mary's Parish Hall - South Street.

CCD cancelation due to the weather condition during winter time: please check our parish website: <https://allsaintsware.org>

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process through which adults learn about the teachings of Jesus as the Catholic Church has handed them on and put these teachings into practice by living as part of the Catholic community, serving others and praying. RCIA is for three groups of people: Those who have never been baptized in any faith, people who were baptized in another Christian faith, and Baptized Catholics who have never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. For more information please speak to Fr. Piotr after Mass or call the parish office. **ASAP**

Christmas Concert Next Sunday at St. Stanislaw Basilica 566 Front St. Chicopee, MA- To close out our celebration of the Christmas season our parish choirs will host a Christmas Concert on Sunday, January 7, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Upper Basilica. January 7 will be the Feast of the Epiphany (Three Kings). All three parish choirs are preparing a very nice program for our enjoyment. There will also be some light refreshments afterwards in the vestibule. There is no cost to attend and is open to everyone. Join us as we wrap up the Christmas season.



Epiphany, the Feast of The Three Kings



Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after Christmas on 6th January and is the time when Christians remember the Wise Men (also sometimes called the Three Kings) who visited Jesus. Epiphany means 'revelation' and both the visit of the Wise Men and his Baptism are important times when Jesus was 'revealed' to be very important. **In Spain** on Epiphany morning you might go to the local bakers and buy a special cake/pastry called a 'Roscón' (meaning a ring shaped roll). They are normally filled with cream or chocolate and are decorated with a paper crown. **In Mexico** where Epiphany is known as 'El Dia de los Reyes' (the day of The Three Kings). It's traditional to eat a special cake called 'Rosca de Reyes' (Three Kings Cake). A figure of Baby Jesus is hidden inside the cake. Whoever has the baby Jesus in their piece of cake is the 'Godparent' of Jesus for that year. **In Italy**, some children also get their presents on Epiphany. But they believe that an old lady called 'Befana' brings them. Children put stockings up by the fireplace for Befana to fill. **In Austria and Poland** at Epiphany, some people write a special sign in chalk over their front door. It's a reminder of the Wise Men that visited the baby Jesus. It's made from the year split in two with initials of the names that are sometimes given to 'the three wise men', Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, in the middle. So 2018 would be: 20*C*M*B*18. The sign is meant to protect the house for the coming year. **At Epiphany in Belgium and Poland** children dress up as the three wise men and go from door to door to sing songs and people give them money or sweets, kind of like Trick or Treating on Halloween. **In Ireland**, Epiphany is also sometimes called 'Nollaig na mBean' or Women's Christmas. Traditionally the women get the day off and men do the housework and cooking! It is becoming more popular and many Irish women now get together on the Sunday nearest Epiphany and have tea and cakes! Epiphany Eve marks the end of the traditional Christmas celebrations and is the time when you were meant to take Christmas decorations down - although some people leave them up until Candlemas.

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