

Come let us  
*Adore*  
Him



January 2, 2022

**Epiphany of the Lord**

Wed.	Jan. 5 <sup>th</sup>	11:30am	St. John
Thur.	Jan. 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	St. John
(Adoration following Mass until 4:00pm)			
Sat.	Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup>	4:00pm	St. John
Sun.	Jan. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	Jan. 9 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am	St. Columbkille

Confessions for this Week

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John  
Thursdays after 7pm Mass St Columbkille  
Saturday 3:15pm before Mass St. John's

Readings for the Week

Monday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>

1 John 3:22, 4:6 Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>

1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>

1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52

Thursday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>

1 John 4:19, 5:4 Luke: 4:14-22

Friday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>

1 John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16

Saturday, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>

1 John 5:14-21 John 3:22-30

Sunday, Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7  
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22



Rosaries

At 3:30 @ St. John Church  
At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior  
to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$ 3602.00  
Loose - \$ 300.00  
Building Fund - \$100.00  
Christmas Collection - \$ 5776.00  
Loose - \$1809.00  
122 Envelope used  
650 Parish Families  
(297 Family envelope holders)  
92 Envelope used

Mass Intentions for the Week of:  
December 26- January 2, 2022

Saturday St. John: + Joseph Rudy  
Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners  
Sunday St. Columbkille: + Meinard Guza

Mass Intentions for the Week of:  
January 3-9, 2022

Friday St. John: Greg Guza  
Saturday St. John: Good Shepherd Parishioners  
Sunday St. Joseph: + June Burns  
Sunday St. Columbkille: + Eugene Gorkowski 1-8-2014 & Agnes Gorkowski 1-8-2011. Anniversary of our parents passing

In This Sunday's Readings:

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."

Matthew 2:11

The magi were the first to present the Christ child with gifts. What gifts do we give the Lord? While gift giving of all sorts is top of mind leading up to Christmas and into the new year, it is important that we share our gifts year-round. When we share our time, monetary wealth and talents with others, we are giving to the Lord through our actions and generosity.

ADORATION

This coming Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 there will be adoration following 9:00a.m Mass until 4:00pm. @ St. John.

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## Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together on Tuesday,  
Wednesdays and Sunday.

Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Argyle: 6-7:30pm (Jan. 11, 18, 25)

Ubly: 6-7:30pm (Jan 5, 12, 19, 26)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26)

We will be having our family gathering Jan 5, 2022  
at the Parish Center starting at 5:30pm with a meal.

## Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:30pm at  
the Parish Center on Wed. Jan. 12. We are always  
looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-  
553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in  
need, located in Ubly. This is completely confidential  
and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff  
Maurer Grand Knight of Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

## RCIA Meetings

"Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings will be held on  
Sunday, Jan. 9 and Sunday, Jan. 23 at 4:00 pm at St.  
Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have  
any questions, please call Dana Irion at 9895530585 or  
Fr. Nate at 9896588145."

## Mark Your Calendar

January 16, 2022

2:00pm - Mini March

2:30pm - Prayer Service Holy Family Parish  
St. Joseph Catholic Church Hall in Sadusky.

There have been more than 61 million abortions  
performed in the U.S. since the infamous Roe v. Wade  
and Doe v. Bolton court decisions were handed down by  
the U.S. Supreme Court in 1973. That action legalized  
abortion in all 50 states through all nine months of  
pregnancy. The most recent statistics show that 29,669  
abortions were performed using the abortion pill  
method 51.9%. We know that unborn children are  
human beings who deserve protection.

## Ruth K of C Euchre Party

Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup> 2022

Starts at 1:00 @ Ruth K of C Hall

Cash Prizes & Hot Lunch Included

Admission \$6:00 Come Join Us!

## VOLUNTEERS' SCHEDULE:

### Counters:

Jan. 3: Shirley Piontkowski, Jeanene Schmidt, Judy  
Messing

Jan. 10: Kathy Beaver, Carol Beaudin, Charlotte Baker

Tuesday, Jan. 18: Rose Maikrzek, Luci Kubacki, Ann  
Ypma

4:00pm Saturday Mass Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> St. John

Lector: Jerry Sorenson

EMHC: Jerry Sorenson

Altar Server: Maze Guza

Ushers: Bob Brahmer, John Guigar, Dennis Smalley,  
Richard Trepkowski

8:30am Sunday Mass Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph

Lector: Paul Guza

EMHC: Paul Guza

Greeter: Edie Izydorek

Ushers: Kevin Hessling, Bill Izydorek, Chuck Izydorek

10:30am Sunday Mass Jan 9<sup>th</sup> St Columbkille

Lector: Kevin Romzek

EMHC: Kevin Romzek & Jerry Sweeney

Altar Servers: Luke Roth, Paige Sweeney

Greeters: Rawlings Family

Gift Bearers: Clare & Beth Roth, Laura Romzek

Ushers: Dennis Sweeney, Terry Sweeney, Todd  
Gingrich

## Sew What Day!!

Come learn to sew or bring to finish. Do something with  
new friends, starting up in Argyle, St. Joseph's Hall Jan.  
8<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am. Bring a dish to pass & your sewing stuff call  
Edie for more info (810)404-9887.

## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA CARD PARTIES:

New location **Bad Axe Senior Center** 150 Nugent Rd,  
in Bad Axe. Mark your 2022 calendar January 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
February 6<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Card games begin at  
1:00pm \$6:00 to play includes lite lunch afterwards.

Come join in the fellowship.



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# Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

*Will you quench His thirst?*

--- Fr. Nate's Update ---

Dear Reader, fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Merry **CHRISTMAS!** Happy Belated Feast of **MARY, MOTHER OF GOD** (Jan. 1)! Happy Feast of the **EPIPHANY OF THE LORD** (Jan. 2)!

**First, some holy humor:** After two hours of meeting, the chair of the Committee on Church Growth was ready to call it a night. "Unless anybody has another idea besides calling every service Easter or Christmas," she said, "I'll accept a motion to adjourn."



**Praise Report (How God Is Working To Save His People):** Someone emailed me: "This Sunday I overheard a conversation [at St. Columbkille Church] that made me feel oh so uplifted. A man was proud of his Catholic faith. He announced that this Easter he ("hoped") will be admitted fully into the Church. He was excited to proclaim this news. It was in his voice resounding with joy as he talked about finally being able to receive the Eucharist. An evangelist and I bet he wasn't even aware of it."

**THANK YOU...** to all of you who sent me Christmas cards and gifts! I thank God for you!

**When does the Christmas Season end?** It ends on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which this year is Sunday January 9. You are invited to help take down church Christmas decorations after Mass. Some Christians continue the season until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 2, as this was the end of the Christmas Season in the pre-Vatican II (and thus now obsolete) Liturgical Calendar for the Latin Rite of the Catholic Church, making the season 40 days to echo the 40 days of Lent. (Most Catholics of the western world are Latin Rite). I put up and decorated my tree (above), which I got the Guzas at Hilltop Nursery, on Christmas Day. Talk about last minute, huh! Consider keeping your tree up, singing Christmas Carols, meditating on Christmas passages in the Gospels, till the season's end.

## **Selections from "URBI ET ORBI" MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS- CHRISTMAS 2021**

*(find entire text online by googling "urbi et orbi 2021")*

"...Indeed, even as the message of the birth of the Saviour, the source of true peace, resounds in our hearts and in the whole world, we continue to witness a great number of conflicts, crises and disagreements. These never seem to end; by now we hardly even notice them. We have become so used to them that immense tragedies are now being passed over in silence; we risk not hearing the cry of pain and distress of so many of our brothers and sisters...

...Yet, in the heart of the night, look! The sign of hope! Today, "the Love that moves the sun and the other stars" (Paradiso, XXXIII, 145), as Dante says, became flesh. He came in human form, he shared in our plight and he broke down the wall of our indifference. In the cold of the night, he stretches out his tiny arms towards us: he is in need of everything, yet he comes to give us everything. Let us ask him for the strength to be open to dialogue. On this festive day, let us implore him to stir up in the hearts of everyone a yearning for reconciliation and fraternity. Let us now turn to him in prayer.

*Baby Jesus, grant peace and concord to the Middle East and the whole world. Sustain all those who*



*provide humanitarian aid to peoples forced to flee from their homelands; comfort the Afghan people, who for more than forty years have been sorely tested by conflicts that have driven many to leave the country.*

*King of all peoples, help political authorities bring peace to societies roiled by tension and conflict. Sustain the people of Myanmar, where intolerance and violence not infrequently target the Christian community and its places of worship, clouding the peaceful countenance of that people.*

*Be a source of light and support for all those who believe in and strive, despite all obstacles, to advance encounter and dialogue. In Ukraine, prevent fresh outbreaks of a long-festering conflict.*

*Prince of Peace, help Ethiopia to find once again the path of reconciliation and peace through a forthright encounter that places the needs of the people above all else. Listen to the plea of those living in the Sahel region, who experience the violence of international terrorism. Turn your gaze to the peoples of the countries of North Africa, tormented by divisions, unemployment and economic inequality. Alleviate the pain of our many brothers and sisters who suffer from internal conflicts in Sudan and South Sudan.*

*Grant that, through dialogue, mutual respect and recognition of the rights and cultural values of every human being, the values of solidarity, reconciliation and peaceful coexistence may prevail in the hearts of the peoples of the Americas.*

*Son of God, comfort the victims of violence against women, which has increased in this time of pandemic. Offer hope to young children and adolescents suffering from bullying and abuse. Show consolation and warmth to the elderly, especially those who feel most alone. Give serenity and unity to families, the first educators of their children and the basis of the fabric of society.*

*God-with-us, grant health to the infirm and inspire all men and women of good will to seek the best ways possible to overcome the current health crisis and its effects... Open hearts to ensure that necessary medical care – and vaccines in particular – are provided to those peoples who need them most. Repay those who generously devote themselves to caring for family members, the sick and the most vulnerable in our midst.*

*Child of Bethlehem, grant that the many military and civilian prisoners of war and recent conflicts, and all those imprisoned for political reasons, may soon return home. Do not leave us indifferent before the tragic situation of migrants, displaced persons and refugees. Their eyes beg us not to look the other way, ignoring our common humanity, but instead to make their stories our own and to be mindful of their plight. [1]*

*Eternal Word become flesh, make us attentive to our common home, which is suffering from the carelessness with which we so often treat it. Inspire political leaders to reach effective agreements, so that future generations can live in an environment respectful of life.*

*Dear brothers and sisters, amid all the many problems of our time, hope prevails, “for to us a child is born” (Is 9:6). He is the word of God, who became an infant, capable only of crying, and in need of help for everything. He wished to learn how to speak, like every other child, so that we might learn to listen to God, our Father, to listen to one another and to dialogue as brothers and sisters. O Christ, born for our sake, teach us to walk beside you on the paths of peace. Happy Christmas to all!”*

***Let Us Pray:*** *(Pope's JANUARY Intention): “...for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.”*

*(Sheen's Spiritual Adoption Prayer): “Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [baby's name], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”*

*God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg*



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# The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6 | Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 | Mt 2:1-12

## GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

My husband is a bird watcher by day and a stargazer by night. I confess it drives me a little bonkers on our evening dog walks. I tend to want to keep moving; between him and our dog (who seems to want to sniff every mailbox), it's the pedestrian equivalent of stop-and-go traffic. Hearing about the journey of the Magi, however, reminds me to pause and look, too. Just as they saw the star rising and followed it to Jesus, we, too, can seek God in our surroundings, our relationships, and the beauty of creation – the next step is to follow where God leads us. As Pope Benedict XVI wrote, the Magi represent “the journeying of humanity toward Christ.” (*Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives*) We may falter from the path from time to time, but Isaiah’s prophecy reminds us of our destination: “You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow.”

## GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The Epiphany is early this year, falling right on the heels of New Year’s Day. If we haven’t made our New Year’s resolutions yet, now is a good time to do so. In addition to typical resolutions such as reducing clutter or getting fit, we can set some spiritual goals as well. The definition of epiphany (lower case) is “a moment in which you suddenly see or understand something in a new or very clear way.” As we reflect on today’s readings, let us ask the Holy Spirit to provide us an epiphany – into how we can grow closer to Jesus during this year ahead. Just as their encounter with the infant Jesus caused the Magi to be transformed from outsiders to faithful believers, and to take a different route home, our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist is meant to transform all of us, and set us on a new path to light and life.

**RESOLVE** New Year’s resolutions are great! Why not add a couple of spiritual resolutions to the list – perhaps to pray the rosary more often, spend time in eucharistic adoration, or go on that retreat you have been meaning to attend. Ask the Holy Spirit for inspiration and see where it leads.





# MARCH FOR LIFE 2022

**WHEN**  
**JANUARY 20-22, 2022**

**WHERE**  
**WASHINGTON, DC**

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## **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

**Thursday, January 20th**

**6:00am Departure from Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church-Emmett, MI**

**6:00pm Hotel Check In**

**Friday, January 21st**

**Morning Free Time**

**Noon-Participate in the March for Life**

**Evening Free Time**

**Saturday, January 22nd**

**6:00am Depart from Hotel**

**6:00pm Arrive at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church-Emmett, MI**

## **RATES**

**\$195/person for QUAD (4/room)**

**\$225/person for TRIPLE (3/room)**

**\$275/person for DOUBLE (2/room)**

**\$425/person for PRIVATE ROOM**

## **MISC INFO**

**\*Rates include travel and lodging**

**\*Meals are not provided**

**\*Space is limited and spots will be filled in the order in which forms and payment are received**

**\*Waivers will need to be signed prior to departure**

**\*Minors must be accompanied by a parent or authorized adult chaperone**

## **QUESTIONS?**

**Call 810-531-4746 or 989-280-6148**

