#### Welcome to ST. JOHN THE **EVANGELIST CHURCH**

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> Pastor - Rev. Dennis Walsh frdenniswalsh@delphosstjohns.org

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> RECONCILIATION Friday 7:30 a.m. • Saturday 3:30 p.m. May be scheduled by appointment

#### BAPTISM

First Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Please contact the Ministry Center to schedule pre-baptismal instructions.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** 

Sacrament may be administered by request.

#### MATRIMONY

Please contact the Ministry Center at least six months in advance to schedule your preparation and celebration.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** Monday by 7:00 p.m., to be published the following weekend email: bulletin@delphosstjohns.org

### CHRISTMAS 2022

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. JOHN 1:14

Celebration of Holy EUCHARIST

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

Weekend Masses Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 7:30, 9:15 and 11:30 a.m.

#### LITURGICAL UPDATES

#### **DELPHOS ST. JOHN PARISH**

Business Manager Jane Keirns jkeirns@delphosstjohns.org

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Music Director Lynn Bockey lbockey@delphosstjohns.org

#### **DELPHOS ST. JOHN SCHOOL**

#### **Elementary Principal**

Nathan Stant stant@delphosstjohns.org Elementary School 419-692-8561

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#### LITURGY READINGS

*January 15, 2023* Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 John 1:29-34

#### **OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

January 1, 2023		
Adult Offering	\$	9,011.25
Anonymous Offering	\$	536.00
Student Offering	<u>\$</u>	79.14
Total	\$	9,626.39

Thank you for your support!

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Addison Kate, daughter of Taylor and Tyler Hayson



#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 9, 2023 8:00 a.m. + Collin Wieging

Wednesday, January 11, 2023 8:00 a.m. + Agnes Ditto 12:15 p.m. + Arthur Miller Saturday, January 14, 2023 4:30 p.m. + Kermit Minnig

#### Sunday, January 15, 2023

7:30 a.m. <sup>+</sup> Bill and Marie Swick 9:15 a.m. <sup>+</sup> Gloria Wrasman 11:30 a.m. <sup>+</sup> Gary Maas

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

*The Sick:* Helen Ardner, Sophia Becker, Ken Blankemeyer, Tracey Boberg, James Bodnar, Doris Buettner, James "Cat" Calvelage, Madalyn Donaldson, Janice Etzkorn, Carolyn Fisher, Debbie Franklin, Rosie and Elmer Fortener, Jim Friemoth, June Gable, Susan Gamad, Herb Gerdeman, David Gonyea, Carol Graham, Mary Grothouse, Tom Hickey, Sharon Hines, Angela Hoehn, Madelyn Jones, Steve Kemper, Helen Kimmet, Shelly Klausing, Braden Knebel, Rosie Kohorst, Laura Krietemeyer, Gerald Kroeger, Sue Laudick, Sharon Lawrence, Terry Martin, Dave Merschman, Linda Miller, Millie Minnig, Minnie Moenter, Mary Mullen, Amy Musser, Cecilia Nartker, John Phillips, Alissa Rice, Becky Richardson, Tracy Rowland, Winifred Siefker, Tina Vance, Donna Vogt, Darrell Wieging, Ken Wieging, Mel Williams

The Recently Deceased

*Those in the Armed Forces:* Jorden Boone, Mahlon Haunhorst, Brian Huysman, Troy Trombly, Samantha Wehri

#### **OUR PARISH/SCHOOL**

#### PARKING IN FRONT OF CHURCH

On November 14, ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) rerouted State Route 66 through Franklin Street. The traffic for Route 66 passes directly in front of the Church. This detour will last approximately 210 days. This will result in increased traffic in front of the Church. As a safety precaution, the city has asked that pull-in parking along Franklin Street be eliminated. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

#### **CANONICAL BANNS**

In Anticipation of Ordination to the Diaconate for the Diocese of Toledo. After significant formation and discernment, the following seminarians are requesting to be considered for Ordination as Deacon:

#### Jacob Livecchi Christopher Turner

Before these candidates are called to Holy Orders by Bishop Daniel Thomas, the People of God are to be asked about their worthiness. Therefore, if you are aware of a reason why they should not be ordained, please contact

> Very Reverend Philip Smith Office for Diocesan Priestly Vocations 1933 Spielbusch Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43604 psmith@toledodiocese.org

#### **SEMINARIAN'S TAKE**

#### Merry Christmas!

Today, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord which marks the end of the Christmas Season. So today we celebrate the end of Christmas. Ever wonder why we celebrate the Epiphany? Or what the three kings are about?

Honestly, the three kings seem like an add-on at the end of the story of the Nativity, almost like an afterthought. There are the three kings no one has heard of showing up in the story and then they are never heard about or seen again; when they leave, what are they about?

The word "Epiphany" means *manifestation*, coming from the Greek word meaning "to show" or "to display." So, what is being manifested on the Epiphany? The Epiphany is about the manifestation of Jesus as the Messiah of all nations. This is really the key that explains the three kings.

There is not much known about the three kings or as they are also called, the three Magi. Magi could mean a member of the Persian priestly class or a wise philosopher. We do know that they were gentiles, which means they were not members of the Israelites or believers in the One God. While we don't know precisely who they were, we do know that the three kings represent other religions and philosophies of the world. Who they are is not as important as what they do.

These three men from different religions and worldly wisdom come and give homage to a child. Now, all of this is connected with the idea of the manifestation of Jesus as the Christ. When these three men come and worship the Christ Child, it is the first moment that Jesus is shown or manifested as the king of all nations, as the head of all religions, and as the author of wisdom. The Epiphany is the celebration in which the world sees Jesus as Messiah and Savior. These three kings represent religions and worldly wisdom and when they bow in worship before the Christ Child they show to the world the Messiah. It shows that all other religions must bow before the One True God; there is only one religion and one God who is to be worshiped. When they bow before the simple Christ Child, they show that all worldly wisdom and philosophy are nothing compared to the splendor of the God who is Truth itself; all worldly wisdom must bow before God, the author of wisdom.

Furthermore, when the three kings are depicted they are traditionally pictured as men of three different races, also men ranging in age from young to old. This is to show that the Christ Child is the Messiah and Savior of all races; He came for the salvation of all. The varying in age of the three kings shows that the Christ Child is King of all the ages.

The Epiphany, then, is about the Christ being made known as the King over all time, races, religions, and philosophies. As always, the question must be asked: What does that mean to me today?

This feast is about Jesus being shown as king. We must follow the example of the three kings. First, we must bow down in homage and worship the Christ Child as King. Secondly, like the Kings, we must offer gifts to the Child King. We don't need to offer Him gold and frankincense, but rather offer Him the gift that will show Him that you recognize Him as the king of your life. This gift could be an offering of your heart or it could be an offering of that one thing that you secretly hold as most important in your life. Whatever it is, the goal is that your offering becomes "a little" epiphany, that your gift to the Child King shows the world that Jesus is the Messiah.

#### **CHANGE IN MINISTRY CENTER HOURS**

The Ministry Center will be open until 6:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month for those who are not able to make it in during regular office hours. During this time, you would be able to speak to Jane Keirns, the Business Manager, about tuition or donations, buy candles, buy Scrip, schedule a Mass Intention, etc. During the School year, the Ministry Center closes at 4:00 p.m. except on the first Tuesday of the month. Jane Keirns is also available by appointment. Please call 419-695-4050 to make an appointment.

#### 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PATRIOTISM ESSAY CONTEST

The 4th Degree K of C is accepting patriotism essays from High School Seniors. Applications are available from the high school guidance counselor or from the Church office. Essay deadline is February 1, 2023.

THIS WEEK IN PARISH HISTORY By: Jack Bockey



The old Nativity scene is now used in the school. It was donated by Dr. Okuley, a parishioner at the time. When he bought it for the parish, he purchased a smaller one just like it for him & his family!



#### PARISH CALENDAR: JANUARY 8-15

Sunday, January 8, 2023 – The Epiphany of the Lord 7:30 a.m. – Mass – Church 8:45 a.m. – Rosary – Church 9:15 a.m. – Mass – Church 10:20 a.m. – PSR – Elementary School 11:30 a.m. – Mass – Church 1:30 p.m. – Spanish Mass – Church 5:30 p.m. – Mass – Landeck

#### Monday, January 9, 2023 – The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. – Mass – Church 8:30 a.m. – Rosary for the Respect for All Life 7:00 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) 7:00 p.m. – Band Boosters – Band Room 7:00 p.m. – Maintenance Committee Meeting – Ministry Center

#### Tuesday, January 10, 2023 -

Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. – Mass – Church 3:00 p.m. – RCIC – Ministry Center 7:00 p.m. – Cantors – Church 7:45 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft

#### Wednesday, January 11, 2023 -

Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. – Mass – Church 12:15 p.m. – Mass – Church 5:20 p.m. – Shepherds of Christ Prayer Group – Vancrest 7:00 p.m. – School Council Meeting – Ministry Center

#### Thursday, January 12, 2023 -

Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. – Mass (K-6th Grade) – Church 3:30 p.m. – Mass – The Meadows 6:00 p.m. – RCIA – Ministry Center

Friday, January 13, 2023 – Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time No School – Teacher Inservice 6:30 a.m. – Men's Prayer Group – Ministry Center 7:30 a.m. – Reconciliation – Church 8:00 a.m. – Mass – Church

#### Saturday, January 14, 2023 -

Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. – Mass – Church 3:30 p.m. – Reconciliation – Church 4:30 p.m. – Mass – Church

Sunday, January 15, 2023 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 a.m. – Mass – Church 8:45 a.m. – Rosary – Church 9:15 a.m. – Mass – Church 10:20 a.m. – PSR – Elementary School 11:30 a.m. – Mass – Church 3:00 p.m. – Baptism Class – Church 5:30 p.m. – Mass – Landeck

#### COMMUNITY

#### 2023 MARCH FOR LIFE

Interested in attending the 2023 National



March for Life in Washington, D.C.? Join the Diocese of Toledo pilgrimage to the first ever nationwide celebration of preborn lives in a post-*Roe* world! The trip is only \$275.00 per person, and partial scholarships are available upon request!

Our pilgrimage includes two nights in the Residence Inn by Marriott in Downtown Washington, D.C., as well as free time to tour the city. We depart from St. Thomas More University Parish in Bowling Green on Thursday, January 19th, at 11:00 a.m. and will stop in Norwalk to allow those from the eastern region of the Diocese to hop on our five charter buses. We will attend Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. David Kidd in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Friday morning, then attend the Rally and March for Life! This would have been the 50th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision making abortion the law of the land, so it will be an even more exciting experience knowing that Roe has been reversed and each state now has the chance to protect preborn lives at a more local level! On Saturday morning, we will attend the National Pro-Life Summit hosted by Students for Life of America. This is the largest pro-life conference in the world, and for the first time, the Diocese of Toledo has been awarded a national grant to allow everyone in our pilgrimage to attend COMPLETELY FREE (\$150.00 value per person). To learn more about the summit, go to www.prolifesummit.com.

To register, go to www.tinyurl.com/DCMarch2023 or email Students for Life Coordinator, Allison Stump, at astump@ toledodiocese.org. Registration is now open to anyone in the Diocese—students, young adults, and the young at heart! All minors must be accompanied at all times by a parent or legal guardian. For questions, call Allison Stump at xxx-xxxx.

#### SERRA CLUB OF LIMA

The Serra Club of Lima Area, which exists to promote and support vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, will be holding their next meeting on Thursday, January 12 at Lima Central Catholic High School. Mass will begin at 5:45 p.m. in the chapel, followed by dinner and a program. Guests are invited to attend. If interested in attending, please call Kathy McGraw at xxx-xxxx 2023 by January 10. The program for this meeting will be Deacon Gene Honigford and Deacon Fred Herold speaking on "Deacon Formation."

#### DOMINICAN SISTERS OF PEACE

Have you ever wanted to serve alongside Sisters and get a taste of what community life might be like in a religious congregation? Join the Dominican Sisters of Peace, January 13-15, 2023 for a FREE service-oriented and faith-filled program via Zoom or in-person at one of these three locations: Columbus, Ohio; Great Bend, Kansas; or New Haven, Connecticut. Visit our website at oppeace.org to learn more about this Mission for Peace program and to register.

## THE EPIPHANY AND BAPTISM OF JESUS

This week we celebrate both the Epiphany of our Lord and His baptism in the Jordan river. Today (Sunday) is the Epiphany, which is the day that we remember the wise men from far away in the East coming to worship the newborn baby Jesus. God let them know that His Son was coming and gave them a special star in the sky to follow to find Him. When they found Jesus with His mother Mary they knelt down and gave Him their precious treasures of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Tomorrow (Monday) we celebrate the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan river. Jesus went to Saint John the Baptist, who was baptizing people and helping them repent from their sins. John knew that Jesus hadn't sinned but Jesus asked him to baptize Him anyway. This was the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Until this time He had been living a life hidden from the rest of the world.



Like the wise men, we can give Jesus our best treasure: ourselves! If we decide to live our lives for Jesus then we will show the love of Jesus by our love for others.

Answers to True or False: 1.false 2.false 3.true 4.true 5.true 6.true 7.false

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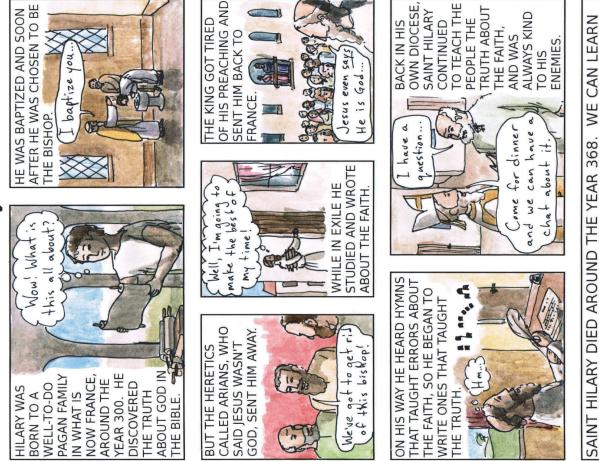
Epiphany Sunday January 8th, 2023 Baptism of the Lord January 9th, 2023





What did Saint John the Baptist see that showed him that Jesus was the Son of God? Connect the dots to find out!

## Saint Hilary of Poitiers January 13



SAINT HILARY DIED AROUND THE YEAR 368. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM THAT IT IS GOOD TO STUDY THE FAITH AND LEARN ABOUT GOD IN HARD TIMES. WE CAN ALSO FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE BY SPEAKING THE TRUTH EVEN WHEN PEOPLE BOTHER OR PERSECUTE US BECAUSE OF IT.

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## Epiphany: True or False? How well do you know the story of the wise men?

Which of these are true and which are false? 1. Wise men came from the West to find the Baby

Jesus. True or false?

2. The wise men went and asked King Caesar where the Messiah would be born. True or false? 3. The king told them to come back and tell him where the Baby was once they had found Him so that he could go and worship Him. True or false?

4. When the wise men found the Child and His mother they bowed down and gave Him gifts. True or false?

5. The gifts they gave were gold, frankincense and myrrh. True or false?

6. When they were going to go back and tell the king where the Baby was, they had a dream that told them not to. True or false? 7. The wise men went back to their land by the same road that they had come on. True or false?



MINISTRY SCHEDULE: JANUARY 14-15			
	SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 – 4:30 p.m.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – 7:30 a.m.	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Jackie Deitering, Marjorie Pohlman, Kathy Pugh, Elaine Schimmoeller, Robert Weinandy, Ann Wrasman, Cory Werts – Back Paten, Dianne Will – Dishes	Dani Duncan, Jason Hageman, Jean Mueller, Steve Recker, Nate Stant, Jean Weber, Sandy Hellman – Dishes	
SERVERS	Kaili Gillespie, Brian Lochard, Rachel Rahrig	Emma Lindeman, Eli Stant, Kennedy Sterling	
LECTOR	Josh Gillespie	Charlie Rohrbacher	
GREETERS	Barb Armstrong, Alivia Hines, Alex Kessen, Aubrey Metzger, Mike Schimmoeller, Tim Werts	Jason Bockey, Ted Hanf, Art Klausing, Charlie Luersman, Paul Pohlman, Jay Winhover	
CANTOR	Kelly Schroeder	Archie Metcalfe	
	SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – 9:15 a.m.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – 11:30 a.m.	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Sandy Harr, Joyce Holdgreve, Linda Noonan, Tricia Patton, Nikki Rode, Camden Schafer, Mark Bockey – Dishes	Dave Clark, Marjorie Jacobs, Nicole Pohlman, Michelle Reigle, Erica Vorst, Jeff Will, Dawn Ledyard – Dishes	
SERVERS	Cameron Elwer, Andrew Elwer, Jacob Moenter	Trayce Brickner, Faith Cross, Kaylie Sunderhaus	
LECTOR	Rosie Hedrick	Clara Hanf	
GREETERS	Luke Bockey, Olivia Bockey, Alena Fuerst, Allan Kerns, Kelly Krites, Avery Mueller	Annette Brown, Maddy Conley (sub req.), Kevin Dukes, Avery Suever, Callie Wieging, Emma Will	
CANTOR	Katie Honigford	Clarissa Case	



