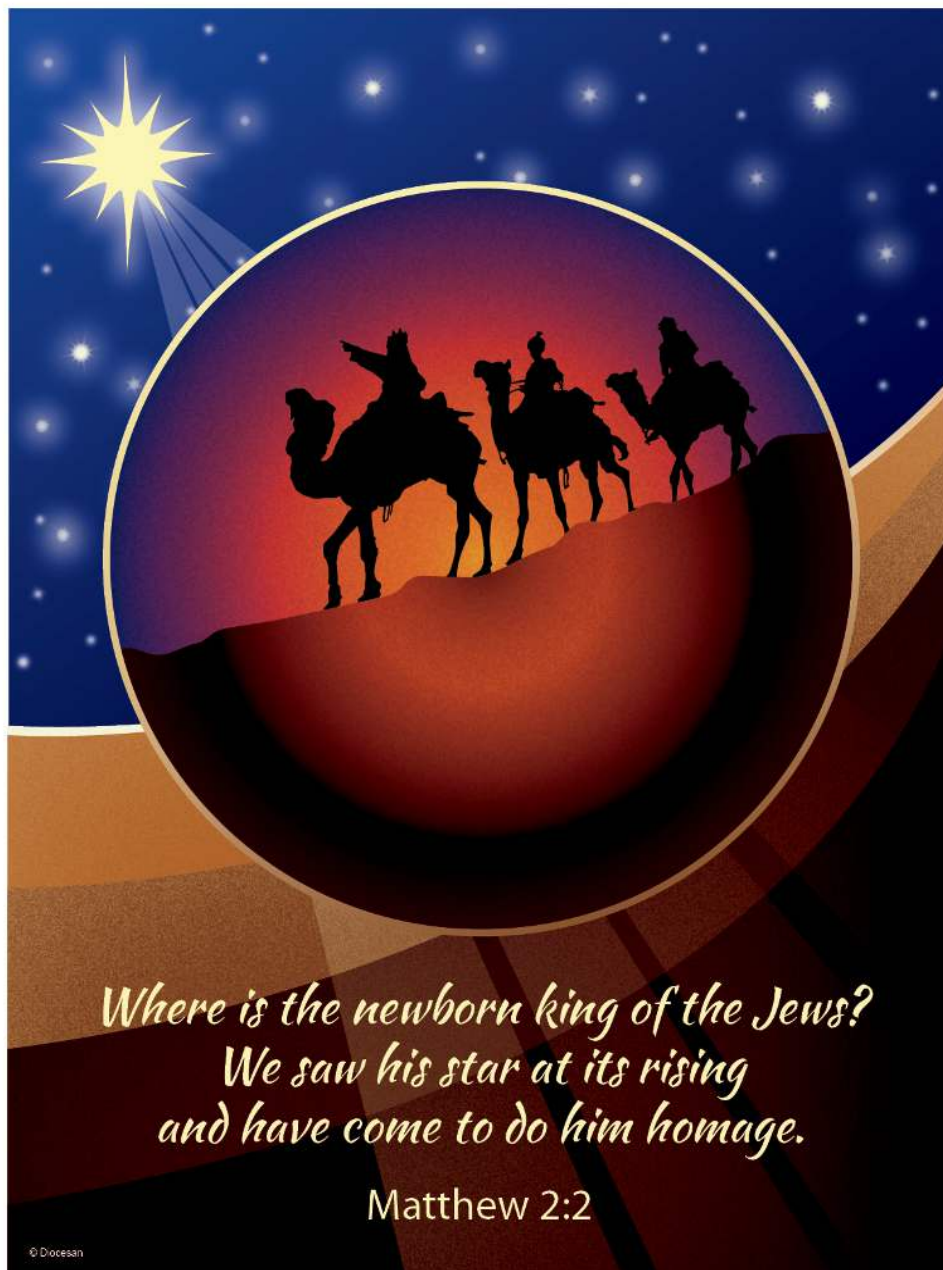




CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS



*Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.*

Matthew 2:2

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January 4, 2026

Liturgical Schedule: Weekdays: Mon, Tues, Wed 6:30am | Thurs, Fri, Sat 8:00am

Weekends: Sat. 4:00pm and Sunday 8:00 & 10:30am

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CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30am—4:30pm
Friday 8:30am—3:00pm
Saturday 9:00am - 12:00pm

St. Raymond Grade School

608 N. Raynor Ave, Joliet, IL • 815-722-6626

Sacramental Information

Anointing of the Sick

To arrange a pastoral visit or for those that would like their name added to the bulletin please call the parish office.

Baptism of Children

Please call the parish office to make arrangements or visit our website to complete a Baptism Request Form. First time parents will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Workshop. In order to serve as a Catholic Godparent, one must be a practicing Catholic who has been confirmed.

Marriage

Couples requesting a wedding must be registered for a minimum of six months before the date can be reserved. Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Contact us for further information regarding the instruction for those discerning whether to become members of our Catholic community and how to begin the process.

Join Us For Prayer!

St. Peregrine Devotion

Join us in praying for those who suffer with cancer or incurable disease or condition **Monday, January 19 at 7:00pm** or every third Monday for St. Peregrine Devotion in the Cathedral.

Prayer Connection

Have a special need for prayer? The Cathedral Prayer connection will assist by praying for your intention. Please call Yvonne Callans 815-723-4495 with your requests or your desire to join the prayer ministry.

Welcome! We are truly blessed by your presence with us today. *United by baptism, our parish family gathers together for worship and support. Empowered by the spirit of God's Love, we will preach, teach and live the Good News of Jesus Christ.* If you are new to the parish, we invite you to register by calling us at 815-722-6653 or visiting our website straymond.net.

Sign up for our weekly Flocknote email blast for information about upcoming events within our parish community and ministries by texting CSRN to 845-76 from your smartphone or visit csrn.flocknote.com to subscribe.

Like us on Facebook @ CathedralofStRaymond.

Download Our Parish App text APP to phone number 55321 or visit myparishapp.com to download.

Explore our Parish Website straymond.net for sacramental preparation, ministry opportunities and contact information.

Parish Directory Our online password-protected directory can be accessed anytime, any where; upload or change your information within minutes. To access you will need to create a login using your email address on file. <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/signup>



- Jan. 4 Religious Education Classes—School—9:00—10:15am
Youth Ministry—Gym—9:00— 10:15am
Family Mass—Cathedral—10:30am
OCIA / AC—Tower—6:00pm
- Jan. 5 Grade School Classes Resume
GS Musical Rehearsal—Commons a/c—3:00—5:00pm
Basketball Practice—Gym—4:15—9:15pm
- Jan. 6 Epiphany
- Jan. 7 Youth Choir Rehearsal—Cathedral—3:15pm
Basketball Games—Gym—5:00—9:00pm
- Jan. 8 GS Mass
GS Confirmation Speaker
GS Confirmation Sponsor / Candidate Speaker
- Jan. 9 Basketball Practice—Gym—4:15pm
Rehearsal—Cathedral—6:00pm
- Jan. 10 Adoration—Cathedral—8:30am
Wedding—Cathedral—1:30pm
CSRN @ Daybreak—5:00pm
- Jan. 11 CSRN @ Daybreak—5:00am
Baptisms—Cathedral—11:00am
Mass with Bishop Hicks—Cathedral—2:00pm
OCIA / AC—Tower—6:00pm
- Jan. 12 GS Musical
Basketball Games—Gym—5:00pm



Starting January 2026

New Hours for prayer, confession & adoration

CATHEDRAL OPEN

Monday & Tuesday 6:30am-4:30pm
Wednesday 6:30am-2:30pm
Thursday & Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm
Saturday 8:00am - 5:00pm
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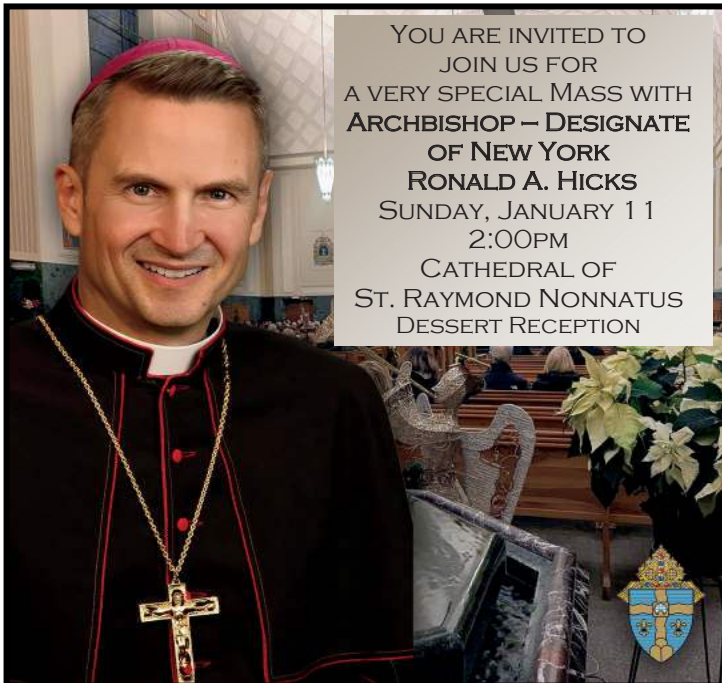
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+Epiphany Blessing Of A Home+

All: make the Sign of the Cross.

Head of Household: "Peace be to this house and to who dwell here,
in the name of the Lord.

All: Blessed be God forever.

Reader:

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things come to be through Him, and without Him nothing came to be..... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1-3.14)

Using chalk, write on the outside of your house, above or next to an entrance:

(write the first half of the current year)

20+

(C)hristus+

(M)ansionem+

(B)enedicat+

26

(write the other half of the year)



These words mean. "May Christ bless this house".

20 + C + M + B + 26

or optionally you may use the names of the Magi

(write the first half of the current year)

20+

(C)aspar+

(M)elchior+

(B)althazar+

26

(write the other half of the year)

(Each word could be written by a different member of the household.)

All: Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

To request your annual contribution statement, send an email to danielle@straymond.net or call the parish office at 815-722-6653. Statements can be mailed, emailed or picked up Monday-Friday during regular office hours. Donors using our online giving program who wish to pull their own statements in the **OSV Online Giving Portal** can log into their online account and click on "My Online Giving History".

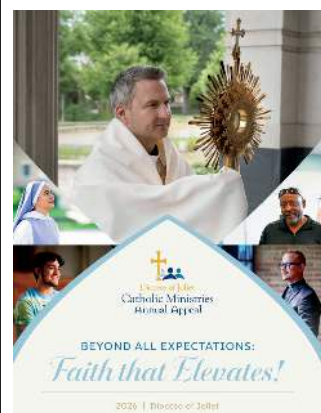
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past year!



The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

The Diocese of Joliet invites all parishioners to support the 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Together, we can make a profound difference.

This year's theme is Beyond all Expectations: Faith that Elevates! Through the CMAA, we ensure Christ's mission and ministries reach everyone. We provide shelter for the homeless, feed the hungry, support



vocations, and educate the next generation of Catholics. Our parish cannot accomplish this alone. As a diocese, we can do so much more.

Our parish goal is \$ 90,700. We receive 70% of any amount raised over goal to use within our parish. Please review your mailing from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office.

Thank you!



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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28
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Daybreak Center operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, providing emergency housing and supportive services to individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness. Participants stay in a safe and clean environment while receiving comprehensive case management.

Winter is an especially busy time at the shelter, which also operates as a warming center during cold weather. As such, the shelter (and the soup kitchen located within the shelter) is often operating at capacity.

Ready to get started? Visit cnoy.com/location/joliet
Questions? Contact Derek Schultz at dschultz@cc-doj.org or 815-724-1160

**TEAM UP, FUNDRAISE, WALK, AND TAKE A MOMENT TO LOOK CLOSER...
BECAUSE IT'S COLD OUT THERE**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.




If you should be closely supervised just buttering toast, and maybe don't even have a particularly pleasant personality, please get involved with us serving meals at **DAYBREAK**. The experience will change your life.

If you are a masterful meal planner, top chef, and capable kitchen team leader, please get involved with us serving meals at **DAYBREAK**. You have skills, and we need you to work with the guy mentioned in the paragraph above.

If your personality and skill set are somewhere between those two aforementioned characters, get involved.

Feed The HUNGRY



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**Feed the hungry.
Give drink to the thirsty.**

These two Corporal Works of Mercy are clear and simple statements without much elaboration from Jesus. Just do them. It is both useful and meaningful to serve others this way, and although it can be challenging, it is usually also enjoyable.

There are dozens of ways to serve, and we'll probably figure out one more way when you call or email me, and say, "Jesus loves me, so I'm signing up to serve at **DAYBREAK**."



Each month we provide:
2nd Saturday dinners
2nd Sunday breakfasts
4th Sunday breakfasts
4th Monday lunches
and occasionally, 5th Mondays or Wednesday lunches



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Don't forget about our parish directory!

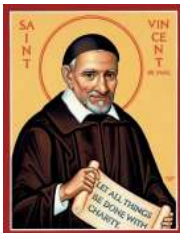
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The Society of Saint Vincent DePaul is a worldwide organization who helps to serve those in need. The St. Raymond conference consists of 14 active members, 11 associate members and YOU!

We cannot carry out this ministry without you! Your contributions have allowed us to help hundreds of families in need in our community, through rental or utility emergencies, and miscellaneous needs such as food, clothing, shelter and transportation.

Our conference is always looking for dedicated members to assist us in serving our community. If you are interested in joining the group or simply have questions please call the parish office.

Please donate by placing a specially marked envelope in the Sunday collection, using provided monthly envelope or online at straymond.net.


In need of assistance, or know someone who is, please call SVDP at 815.773.4167. A volunteer will return your call within 48 hours. For security purposes, return calls are made from a "private/blocked" line not recognized by caller ID's.




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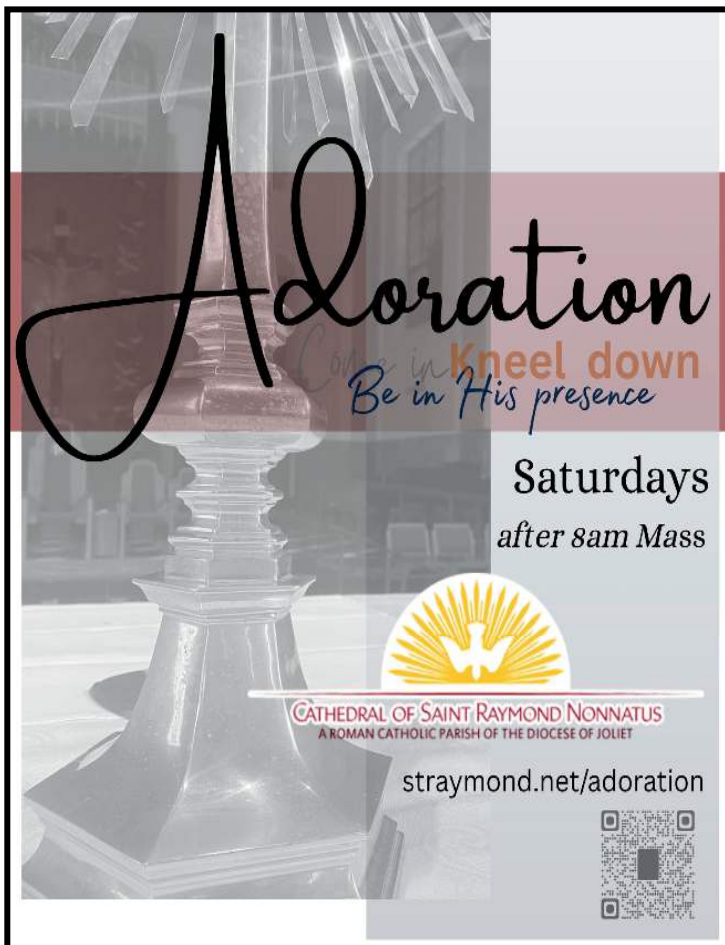
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AGE REQUIREMENTS: 18 - 39 (must be 18 by July 1, 2027)

For more information or to be added to the list of future participants, contact:
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Adoration

once in a while
Be in His presence

Saturdays
after 8am Mass

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Season 12

The Creed (Part 2):
 The Son, Jesus Christ

FEBRUARY 13 - MAY 13, 2026

REGISTRATION OPENS:
 JANUARY 5, 2026

Register online at:
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Be Formed has proven to be a very popular program. You can jump in on this 12th season with parishioners of the Cathedral of St. Raymond, other parishes around the diocese, and some meeting virtually as well. Check out the options on the Be Formed website.

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St. Raymond Men's Club

Chili

COOK OFF

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16TH
 7PM IN THE PARISH COMMONS

Bring a crockpot of chili!

**FREE TO ENTER!
 PRIZE AWARDED
 TO THE WINNER!**

**Stir the pot...
 Cast your vote...
 Crown the Chili King!**

NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

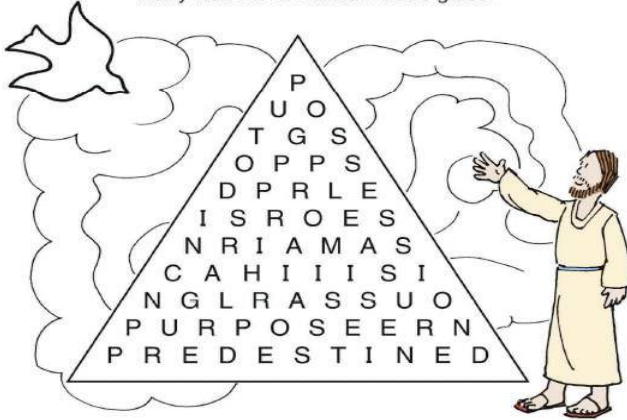




God the Father chose us,
Jesus redeemed us,
and God's Spirit sealed us.

In the triangle, circle the 8 words from the paragraph which begin with the letter P. Write the remaining letters in order on the blanks.

God has a great PLAN and works things out in conformity with the PURPOSE of His will, according to His good PLEASURE. God will, in time, PUT all things under Christ as head. We are PREDESTINED to be God's children. Those who believe are God's POSSESSION. The Holy Spirit gives us the PROMISE of an eternal inheritance. We have many reasons to PRAISE God's grace!



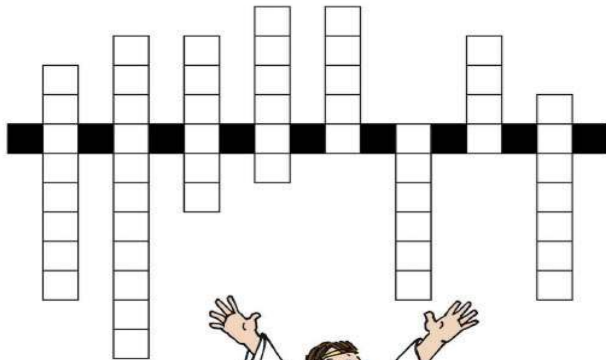
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Paul praised God for all the spiritual blessings
He gives those who are redeemed.

Fit the blessings into the squares vertically.

adopted	forgiven	inheritance	marked
chosen	grace	love	wisdom



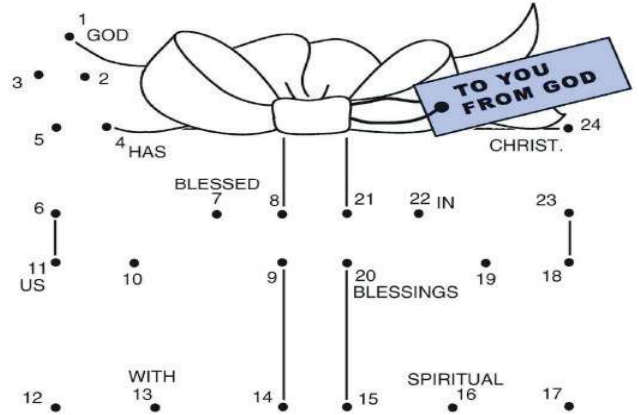
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January 4, 2026 • Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessings in Christ

Through Jesus, we have received
many wonderful gifts from God.

Connect the dots. Read the words in order as you come to them.



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God freely gives many good things to us
that we don't deserve.

Write the name of each object. The circled letters should spell a word
which means "God's gift of good things we don't deserve."













Mass Intentions

Monday, January 5, 2026

6:30 AM Stephen J. Pershey (anv), req. by Family

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

6:30 AM Mrs. Beverly Jean Bellos, req. by Foley Family

Wednesday, January 7, 2026

6:30 AM Helen Gremling, req by Ann Hintze

Thursday, January 8, 2026

8:00 AM Irene Jevitz, req. by wife Donna & Family

Friday, January 9, 2026

8:00 AM "Penny" Rutkowski, req. Kelly & Larry Alt

Saturday, January 10, 2026

8:00 AM Joseph Kovic, req. by Family

4:00 PM Most Rev. Romeo Blanchette (anv) req. Natalie Bayci

Sunday, January 11, 2026

8:00 AM Dorothy A. Brown, Req. Mary Meader

10:30 AM Roger Rommel (anv)

Please Pray For...

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Matthew George Adler	Leo Nicholas Andrade
Agustin Nicolas Mata	Mackenzie Rose Metzler
John Jeffrey Stammen	Kevin Owen Bedolla
Carlie Mary Engwall	Colton Bradley Warnecke

OUR SICK

Megan Arnold	Edward Gannon	Sharon Slabicek
Silvie Belue	Robert Greenly	Ruth Smego
Patricia Buchwald	Ernest Hankins	Joseph Spiech
Tyler Centorbi	Aurelie Hagstrom	Katherine Spiech
Colleen Cler	David Hampton	Bernie Spieler
Mari Condon	Ross Karraker	Chuck Sroka
Arlene Day	Maria Masterson	Colleen & Tom Stonis
Judy Delaney	Patricia McShaffrey	Tom & Kathy Wise
Sharon DelRose	Lydia O'Donnell	
Ken Deluc	Lillianna Peylo	
Patrocino Fernandez	Bonnie Salamon	

OUR MILITARY

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Brandon Vasquez, PFC	LTC Donald Erickson
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2nd Lieutenant Isabel Izquierdo	Midshipman Leo Anastopoulos
Midshipman Victor Izquierdo	Ryan Wilhelm
Adrianna Soltis SPC	

Liturgical Ministers of the Mass

Saturday, January 10 • 4:00pm

Lector: TBD

EM: Diane Dow, Larry Ryan, Grady Smith, JoAnn McDonald

Servers: TBD

Sunday, January 11 • 8:00am

Lector: TBD

EM: Maryann Cockcream, Alex Flood, Kathy Delrose, Ava Pritz

Servers: TBD

Sunday, January 11 • 10:30am

Lector: TBD

EM: McCune Family, Mary Lawson, Nina Doom

Servers: TBD



Stewardship

Due to early bulletin transmittal dates, the stewardship totals for December 21, 28 and January 4 will be published in the January 4 bulletin.



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from Our Sunday Visitor

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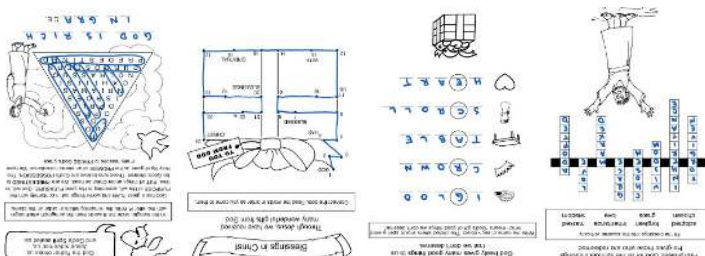
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