



January 6, 2008
Epiphany of the Lord

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Fr. Buersmeyer's weekly column appears on page 6.

SECOND TIME AROUND CHRISTMAS GARAGE SALE

When you begin to pack away your Christmas items, think ahead to our Christmas garage sale. See page 4.

POTLUCK DINNER & GAME NIGHT

Friday, January 18, 2008
 from 6:30-10:00 p.m. See page 4.

REGISTRATION WEEKEND

January 19-20, 2008 after all the Masses. See page 4.

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See what's "New and Noteworthy", read past issues of our bulletin, find links to other sites. Go online and see for yourself—www.ssjohnandpaul.org. Please visit our website weekly to keep abreast of what's new and noteworthy.

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JANUARY 6, 8, 9, 11
6:00-8:30 p.m.

Catechetical Area:
Identifying with Catholic Tradition
(Church History and Vatican II)

Specific Theme:
The Gift of Authority?
How is Church Authority Structured and Why?
Is it a Gift or a Hindrance?
What Does Infallibility Mean?
Much More

Connecting the theme to an event:
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Menu: **Tacos and salad**

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	<i>Catechetical Area:</i> Living a Catholic Moral Life
	<i>Specific Theme:</i> Sin: Alive and Well? How Do We Understand It Today?
	<i>Connecting the theme to an event:</i> Celebrating the "Scrutiny Sundays" during Lent

Our parish formation program is for ALL ages. If you are a new member of the parish—call the Religious Formation office for more information. If you haven't registered yet, forms can be found in the literature racks in the hallway just outside the Parish Office.

Here's what's happening this week!

Monday, January 7:

- *Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- *11:30 a.m. Senior cards
- *7:45 Adult Bells

Tuesday, January 8:

- *Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- *6:00-8:30 p.m. G.R.A.C.E.

Wednesday, January 9:

- *9:00 a.m. Mass
- *6:00-8:30 p.m. G.R.A.C.E.

Thursday, January 10:

- *7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

Friday, January 11:

- *6:00-8:30 p.m. G.R.A.C.E.

Saturday, January 12:

- *3:00 p.m. Confessions
- *3:30 p.m. Teen Bells

Regular Parish Office Hours

- Mon. - Wed. — 9 :00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday—12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday — 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



G.R.A.C.E.

*These people are all in roles of authority.
Can you match up the person
with the role they play?*

Priest	Coach	President	Bishop
Parents	Deacon	Sister	Boy Scout
	Principal	Teacher	

- _____ A member of a religious order or community who has taken sacred vows and leads a life of ministry in the church.
- _____ An ordained man who leads a diocese through his teaching and pastoral care and who is a successor of the Apostles.
- _____ A person who lives in the White House and is an elected official to our country.
- _____ A couple in charge of raising a healthy, happy, and safe child.
- _____ A ordained person who presides over the celebration of Mass and is in a leadership role of a parish.
- _____ A person who is responsible for order and discipline in a school.
- _____ A person who is the leader of a sports team.
- _____ An instructor in a classroom at a school or college.
- _____ A person in the ministry of service in the Church. He receives the sacrament of Holy Orders and can be married with a family.
- _____ A person that is part of an organization that stresses character, citizenship, outdoor life & service to others.

How about the names of the cardinals of Detroit with the years they were in leadership in Detroit...

Adam Joseph Maida	1937-1958
John Francis Dearden	1958-1980
Edward Francis Mooney	1981-1988
Edmund Casimer Szoka	1990—

Finally...can you match the names of these Popes with the years they were in that role.



Benedict XVI	32-67
John Paul II	1958-1963
John Paul I	1963-1978
St. Peter	1978
John XXIII	1978-2005
Paul VI	2005—

**2007-2008
Religious
Formation
Program
September — May**

G.R.A.C.E.
Parish Formation Program
For All ages

Next Session: January 6, 8, 9, 11
6:00-8:30 p.m.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

3-1/2 to 5 yrs. old

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

No session: Jan. 6

Sessions: Jan. 13, 20, 27

For information on either program above, or for any other adult formation or preparation for sacraments, please call the Formation Office 586.781.9488

**Grades 1-6 Age Specific
Winter Sessions:**

**Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5
4:45-6:00 / 6:30-7:45 p.m.**

If you have signed your children up for the fall session, you are already signed up for the winter session as well for the same time.

If your child was not signed up for the fall session and did not attend, you must sign up NOW by coming into the office or calling Ms. Bauer at 586.781.9488.

G.R.A.C.E. monthly sessions help enable families to put their faith in practice during everyday life. The Grades 1-6 Age Specific Sessions introduce scripture, prayer, words and concepts of our Catholic expression of faith so that our children will come to understand our doctrines and traditions, and why we consciously choose to live out these beliefs in everyday life.

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**Eucharist Parent/Child Session #2
Tuesday, January 15 Or Thursday,
January 17 at 6:30 p.m.**

This session is for both parents and child. Please call the office to let us know which night you are attending and the ingredient for stone soup that you are bringing.

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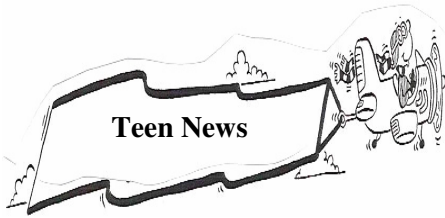
Mark your calendars!

**Lenten "Coffee House"
Evening of Reflection**

**February 1, 2008
7:00 p.m.**

Bring your favorite mug and a dessert to pass.





Attention all 9-12 Graders


- ◆ Don't forget to register for the G.R.A.C.E. sessions for January. You can attend this session with or without your parents. Please join us for activities and discussion on "Church Authority".
- ◆ There will be a regular teen meeting on January 20. This session will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Please give Mrs. Peters a call at 586.781.9488 if you have any questions.

7th & 8th Grade Lock-In

- ◆ A Lock-In for Grade 7-8 will be held on January 26 here at SS. John & Paul Parish. We will gather together for the 5:00 Mass, then we will have dinner and our lock-in will begin. Please make sure your son/daughter has their permission slip along with the medical release form completed and turned into the office before January 18. Attendance will be taken for this age appropriate session, so please don't miss it. Due to the lack of space, we are asking only our registered 7th & 8th graders attend this lock-in. Any questions, call Mrs. Peters at 586.781.9488.



Attention 2007-08 Seniors

- ◆ SS. John & Paul has been asked to pass along information regarding the James F. and Virginia M. Coughlin Scholarship Fund . This fund will provide one or more scholarships of at least \$1500.00 to High School Seniors who have commitment to youth service. If you would like more information regarding this scholarship fund please pick up a packet from the Parish Office. All applications must be postmarked by February 28th.



**Friday, January 18, 2008
from 6:30-10:00 p.m.**

Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dish to pass that will serve from 10-12 people. Bring a board game or a card game to share.

Tickets are \$5 per person and will go on sale after each mass on the weekends of January 5-6 and January 12-13. This will cover the cost of the chicken, beverages, and bartender. All adults are welcome.

"Second Time Around" Christmas Garage Sale

Begin now to pack away Christmas items that are clean and in good condition and mark them for SS. John and Paul. We will have our sale next November but cannot store items until then because of lack of space. Please store them at home in an easily accessible place so that you can get to them early next year. We will begin collecting items the end of October, 2008.

All proceeds from the donated items will go to the parish MCREST fund for our second year of outreach to the homeless in December, 2008.

REMEMBER: Items must be in good, clean condition and must be stored in your home until the end of October, 2008. We cannot accept donations until then.

If you would like to be on the committee, please call the parish office at 586.781.9010.

**Registration Weekend
January 19-20 After All Masses**

Take this opportunity to register in the parish and receive a welcome packet plus important information on our parish

Enjoy refreshments while taking a few minutes to officially become a member of our parish family

Meet parishioners/staff/members of our Hospitality Committee





Recap Meeting for all Volunteers January 24, 2008

Please join us on Thursday, January 24, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. for a MCREST "Recap Meeting". We would love to hear your input in reference to how things went during our MCREST week, what worked and what could be improved upon. Your comments and suggestions will serve as a valuable guidepost in planning for next year. All volunteers are welcome!

Recycling to Start in the New Year

Please notice the new bins next to all garbage cans in all the activity building rooms. They are labeled for paper, plastic, and can recycling. Remember to use these as we are implementing a recycling program. Examples of things that can be recycled are: empty water bottles, cardboard, all paper to include catalogs and newspaper, empty cans, etc. Sacristans and Eucharistic Ministers, there will also be a recycling box in the sacristy for empty wine bottles. Thank you for your participation.

Men's Club

SS. John & Paul Parish would like to start a Men's Club. Its purpose is to socialize, play cards, games, etc. This club would meet monthly. The first meeting will be on Tuesday, January 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the Activities Center.

If you are interested, please join us for this meeting. If you are unable to attend but would still like to join, just call the parish office at 781.9010 and leave your name and phone number.



Health Notes

5 Steps to Healthier Winter Skin

Cold, dry air, friction from heavy clothing, and indoor heating can turn your skin dry, itchy and prone to cracks. Here's how to keep from drying out this winter:

1. Add humidity.

Place a water-filled bowl near a heating vent or radiator, or use a humidifier. The device should have a humidistat that shuts the humidifier off when the preset humidity level is reached.

2. Shun long, hot showers and baths.

Hot water washes away the skin's natural oils, so limit bathing to 10 minutes, use warm rather than hot water, and keep the bathroom door closed to lock in humidity. Skip antibacterial, deodorant, and perfumed soaps, which tend to be drying, in favor of a mild, moisturizing, scent-free cleanser.

3. Moisturize early and often.

Smooth on moisturizer—preferably with glycerin, fatty acids, ceramide, or cholesterol—after bathing, while your skin is damp. Reapply throughout the day, if necessary. Use a facial moisturizer or sunscreen with a sun-protection factor of at least 30, especially on sunny days spent out in the snow.

4. Pamper problem spots.

Lips chap easily because they lack sweat and oil glands. But don't lick your lips, since evaporation makes the chapping worse. Petroleum jelly works well, though lip balm or lipstick can help. Put on lotion after you wash your hands, and wear cotton-lined plastic or rubber gloves when cleaning dishes. If necessary, apply a heavy lotion at night and wear cotton gloves. Treat cracked heels with moisturizers containing lactic acid or urea. For severe cases, see a dermatologist.

5. Wear soft clothing.

Avoid wool and other rough fabrics. Wear cotton or silk next to your skin. Switch to an unscented fabric softener to avoid drying perfumes and chemicals. Finally, leave your electric blankets in storage—they can suck moisture from your skin as you sleep.

This article came from consumerreports.org.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Petriches, RN, OTR



Income Tax Preparation

Starting the end of January through early April, Samaritan House will offer Federal and Michigan Income Tax preparation to individuals with a gross income of \$20,000 or less and families with a gross income of \$38,000 or less. This is a cooperative effort between the IRS and Accounting Aid Society. We presently will see people by appointment only. For additional information, please call 586-677-7590.

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*Epiphany

Traditionally the “twelfth day of Christmas,” sometimes called “little Christmas,” Epiphany is yet another feast that draws out the reality of the Incarnation—God’s Word made flesh in Jesus. In faith we receive it and understand the Incarnation not just as a fulfillment of the Old Testament promises for a new covenant but as a fulfillment for what all humanity longs for and, by the grace of God, is meant for: union with God. To take the gifts of our heritages and backgrounds, to follow our instincts for truth and goodness, leads us, as it did the magi, on a search that can never be satisfied or ended with something of our own creation. Rather, we are led ever farther, ever deeper into the mystery of God’s expression of Godself and, by faith, to the definitive, unsurpassable heart of that expression, Jesus of Nazareth.

*The Elijah Cup

At our G.R.A.C.E. sessions this week and at the weekend Masses next week we will be asking families to sign up for the parish’s “Elijah Cup.” The Vocations’ Committee has prepared a box which contains a chalice we use at Mass, a suggested prayer and reflection questions, and a journal. The Elijah Cup is a way for individual households to focus on vocations and pray for vocations. We pray for vocations to priesthood, religious life and service in the Church. But we also pray for all of our vocations in life—how to live our lives each day as baptized Christians. What is God calling us to do?

That is the meaning of a vocation: to see our lives as a call from God, whatever we are doing and whatever situations we are in. If we develop a whole environment of vocation awareness, then those who are called specifically to service for the Church will be able to hear that call. But for that to happen, we all are invited to see our own lives as a vocation. How are you living out that vocation? Please be willing to accept the Elijah Cup for a week in your home and pray for all vocations, write some thoughts in the journal and then pass it on to another household.

*Church Authority?

We put a question mark by this month’s intergenerational G.R.A.C.E. session because the entire idea of authority is a tangled one in today’s Church and world. We won’t be able to cover all aspects of it, but as part of our faith formation we want to explore a proper and fully Catholic understanding of Church authority and structure in light of Vatican II. Too often people connect Church authority to the teaching authority of the pope and bishops alone, as though it is only a top-down reality. But the second Vatican Council forty-five years ago deliberately avoided precisely that view. Instead the council decided to begin with a more basic reality that the whole people of God—laity, religious, ordained, pope, bishops and all—share in the authority of Christ because of baptism. We all have a share in Christ’s kingly, prophetic, and priestly mission.

A favored term by the council was “hierarchical communion.” Notice that “hierarchical” is the adjective. The core reality is “communion” (or sometimes theologians will use the Latin word “*communio*” here to indicate that it is a special understanding of community). The adjective serves the noun. Hierarchy is only authoritative when it truly serves the total communion of the Church.

In that sense the second Vatican Council, without overturning any of the privileges and role of a strong papacy, recovered a bit of the earlier sense of Church authority. Authority is not just about the teaching of doctrine, though it includes that. It is about everything that the Church is and does to live out the mission and ministry of Jesus in an authentic way. It includes the pastoral dimension of building community and serving the needs of others (the ‘kingly’ role we all have a stake in). It includes the sacramental dimension of coming together in Eucharist and worship and prayer (the ‘priestly’ role we all share in). It includes the preaching and sharing of God’s Word and the teaching and formation of faith (the ‘prophetic’ dimension each of us is asked to embrace).

Therefore, in the first instance, the Church’s authority or *magisterium* (the Latin word for authority, more on that below) is something all the baptized contribute to, not just pope and bishops.

In fact, in the middle ages the Church made a distinction between the “teaching magisterium” and the “pastoral magisterium”. The teaching magisterium included the pope and bishops, especially when they gathered for councils, but was used mainly for theologians and teachers who spent their lives trying to unfold the meaning of the faith. The “pastoral magisterium” was the preferred language for the daily authority of pope, bishops, and clergy who served the Church in those roles. Their authority was not that they had all the truth and others had to simply obey. Rather, they were called to serve the good of the whole Church. In their ministry, their authority was authenticated.

Thus the play on the words ‘*magisterium*’ and ‘*ministerium*’. The ‘*magister*,’ from Latin for the ‘greater’ was the teacher from whom someone learned. Disciples would sit at the feet of the *magister* and learn from him and then continue his ideas when he died. The ‘*minister*,’ from the Latin for the ‘lesser’ was the servant who did not lord it over others but put their life in service of others. In that sense, at least in theory, the deepest and most authoritative teacher was thought to come from the most authentic minister, thus capturing the gospel idea of authority (“*Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant;*” *Matthew 20:26*).

The other way that Vatican II modified the then current understanding of authority was to strengthen the understanding of what a bishop was. For several centuries there had been a growing tendency to think of bishops as extensions of the pope. In modern terms, they were seen as ‘branch managers’ of a central office. This was not and is not an authentic Catholic understanding. Although each candidate for bishop, for the sake of unity in the Church, is usually agreed upon beforehand by the pope, they receive their authority not from the pope but directly from Christ, all being equal successors to the apostles, with the bishop of Rome (the pope) as “the first among equals.” Vatican II renewed this understanding by talking about the college of bishops united with the bishop of Rome.

In other words, each bishop is, like the pope, in Catholic understanding

a “vicar of Christ.” The pope receives his authority in and through being the bishop of Rome. The other bishops receive their authority in and through becoming ordained as bishops. Their authority flows from serving the unity of the local Church (diocese) or universal Church. It is not something that resides in them apart from the Church but always on behalf of the Church.

***The Structure: a Pyramid?**

The most common mistake made about authority in the Catholic Church (sometimes!) is to image the structure of the Church as a pyramid. Because of the decidedly hierarchical structure in the Catholic Church, we might be tempted to use that image. At the top is the pope, immediately underneath are his cardinal advisors, then bishops who aren’t cardinals, monsignor priests, priests, religious men and women who aren’t priests, deacons, and the laity. Or however we would rank the different levels.

In reality the structure of the Church is more like a collection of circles—representing the local (diocesan) Churches such as the diocese of Detroit, Grand Rapids, Paris, Hong Kong and the like)—with the local bishop at the center of that circle, rather than as its apex. Within this whole collection of circles stands the Church of Rome with the bishop of Rome (pope) at the center. The role of the bishop is to maintain unity with the apostolic faith within their diocese. The role of the pope is to maintain unity within the diocese of Rome and within the universal church.

***Is the Pope Infallible?**

If I were to answer that question with a “No,” you might send my name in to the archbishop for investigation! Yet, it isn’t really so simple as a yes or no, answer. And therein lies an important lesson in understanding authority in the Church. It is first of all the Church as a whole which is infallible. That infallibility is exercised in different ways and can include, in our Catholic understanding, the pope defining something in faith or morals that is to be held as true. The most common way infallibility is exercised, however, is by the universal Church in holding to a key dogma of faith or practicing an essential reality of being Church. An example of

such a dogma would be that Jesus died to save all humanity. An example of such a practice would be the celebration of baptism as essential for initiation into the Church. No pope defined these as infallibly true but they are part of the infallible teaching of the Church.

A second way that infallibility is exercised, from the Catholic point of view, is when the bishops gather in ecumenical council under the leadership/acceptance of the bishop of Rome and pronounce solemnly on some aspect of faith. An example of this would be the council of Chalcedon in 451 which affirmed that Jesus has both a fully human nature and a fully divine nature. With that council that dogma became something we teach as infallible true.

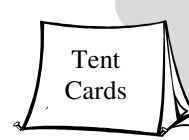
A third and quite rare way that the infallibility of the Church is exercised is by the pope alone, but on behalf of the universal Church. It needs to be something that is true and that is a matter essential to faith or morals. The pope must publicly acknowledge that he is intending such a statement to be infallible and it has to be something that represents not just the pope’s personal faith but the universal and apostolic faith of the Church. The only time the pope has done such a pronouncement is when Pope Pius XII solemnly defined the doctrine of the Assumption of Mary into heaven to be held as definitively true.

Thus the Catholic belief that Jesus Christ has endowed his Church with the charism of infallibility when necessary has rarely been exercised. Except for the one instance of Pius XII, everything the popes have written or spoken about or taught has been done not with the charism of infallibility but as part of the authentic pastoral magisterium, trying to serve the unity of the apostolic faith. The pope’s insights are not blindly followed and can be questioned, if we do not agree or understand. His pastoral decisions are not guaranteed to be infallibly true. In other words, Catholic belief in infallibility does not mean that we wait for the pope to say something then follow it without further thought.

But given the above, we also don’t simply dismiss the pope when he talks/speaks/teaches. We look for ways that such teaching strengthens the unity of the Church and its apostolic faith. We

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TEACH



Matthew 3:15-17



After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him, and a voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

*Jesus is the Beloved Son of God...
we are the beloved sons
and daughters of God.*

*Jesus was chosen by God to
‘bring forth justice to the nations’...
we are chosen by God
to continue Jesus’ mission
of justice and love.*

*The Spirit came upon Jesus...
The Holy Spirit was poured
upon us at our baptism.*



God, you have given to us your servant, Jesus. His coming to dwell among us opened our eyes to the light of justice, peace, and salvation. Just as you anointed him with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, where he received the gift of authority to preach and witness to all your ways of love and forgiveness, we, too, have been anointed in baptism and given that same gift of authority.

Response: Help us to use our gift of authority wisely.

- In our daily dealings with family...
- In our work place or school setting...
- In our parish ...
- In my relationships with friends...
- In my responsibility to spread the Good News...

Help us to hear and heed your word and to use the authority given to us by you to continue the mission of Jesus in the world. We ask this in Jesus’ name, through the same Holy Spirit. Amen.

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open our minds and hearts to understand his guidance and do our best to be open to following it. In that dialogue with the pastoral magisterium we form our consciences, evaluate our actions, and shape our understanding. But always in full freedom and mature responsibility for our own lives.

Please come to one of the G.R.A.C.E. sessions this week (Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday—all have openings) and join in the learning and the discussion!

***Authority and the Baptism of the Lord**

One last item. As did many of the medieval theologians, we always need to root magisterium—authority—in the ministry and mission of Jesus. The exemplar of all authority is the one who gave his life to free us all, the one who was passionate about doing the will of the Father, the one who was obedient unto death but who taught with authority. Where did that come from? For Jesus his baptism in the Jordan River—the feast we celebrate next week—was the key. In that event everything in his life came into a clarified whole. His vocation was confirmed and affirmed. Because he knew himself to be the beloved Son of God, he could face all trials and temptations, anything life would throw at him. [It is not happenstance that after his baptism he undergoes his trial in the desert for forty days.] He would obey the will of his Father, no matter how difficult it would be for him personally.

At the same time, because he knew what it meant to be so beloved, Jesus exercised authority out of love. When he heals and preaches and teaches and banishes demons, it is out of love. When he chastises and gets angry it is out of love. He wants everyone else to know how near that kingdom of God is, how immense the reality to know oneself to be so beloved by God.

That is, then, how we are to exercise authority and obey authority. Search for ways that authority, no matter how bothersome or imperfect, is opening up a way to live out our vocations as sons and daughters of God. At the same time, whenever we exercise authority, let us always do so by seeing the one we exercise authority toward as a beloved child of God.

May we be unafraid to be given authority. May we be humble in accepting the authority of others. May we live as sons and daughters of God.

Fr. Buersmeyer

Pray for our sick

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| Mary Angelosante | Karen Mehlick |
| Rita Bayer | Trudy Mehlick |
| Suzanne Bawol | Adele Miller |
| Mary Burcar | Jean (Roman)Noga |
| Bill Cauley | Larry Newsom |
| Ralph Cleary | Lori Newsom |
| Chris Del Pappa | Denise Olejniczak |
| Lauren DeNio | Leo Osantoske, Sr. |
| Art Donovan | John Pakledinaz |
| Antoinette Errante | Carl Pallas |
| Alojzy Filipowicz | Alex Polzin |
| Mark Formanczyk | Dorothy Puffpaff |
| Jack Gehrholz | Marie Richard |
| Krystyna Green | Hank Roman |
| Lora Hardin | Theresa Romero |
| Helen Hardy | Mary Ruppert |
| Ruth Hunsucker | Albert Sabbe |
| Janet Johnson | Sylvia Schult |
| Yolanda Kaufman | Jeff Simpson |
| Molly Keffalo | Camille Smith |
| John Kerr | Michelle Smith |
| Hayden Kroll | Tommasina Smith |
| John LaCroix | Cecelia Smith |
| Fred LaRose | Mary Sorrow |
| Mrs. Fred LaRose | Steven St. John |
| Vito Loconte | Betty Staller |
| Jacob Main | Ken Stempien |
| Bernice Mayer | Barbara Supina |
| Antoinette McBain | Richard Waluk |
| Agnes Mehlick | Betty Waligore |

Pray for our military



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| Noel & Greg Ales | Chris Krusinski |
| Nick Bassett | Paul McGowan |
| David Benn | David Newberry |
| Augie Biache III | Ryan Ribant |
| Mike Boback | Thomas Schmidt |
| Eric Eppens | Chris Staniszwski |
| Tony Gentilia | Vincent Titeriga |
| Michael Kaminski | Daniel Trendell |
| David Krzycki | |
| Jonathon Krusinski | |

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December 29-30, 2007

Unavailable at time of publication. Figures for December 23, 30, Christmas and January 6 will be published next week.

Today we remember the three wise men from the East who came to pay homage to the infant Jesus, bringing Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The gifts we bring—our time, service and some share of what we earn for the work we do—are equally precious in His sight.

Readings for the Week of January 6, 2008

Sunday, January 6:
 Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday, :
 1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Ps 2; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January :
 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, January :
 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January :
 1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Ps 72; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January :
 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, January :
 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday, January :
 Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17



Eucharistic Prayer Requests

Saturday and Sunday January 5-6, 2008

Andrew VanDamme by Wife
 Mary Mahac by Daughter
 Rudy Keller by S. Keller
 John Agosta by Family
 Mary Kish by Daughter

Monday, January 7, 2008

Thomas Hunsucker by Greenway Fam.

Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Ryan Gilginas by T. Klakulak Family

Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Gerald Hatcher by Shoup Family

Saturday and Sunday

January 12-13, 2008

Dorothy & Tim Cronenwett by Family
 Wanda Banaszek by Family
 Gerald Hock by Gielow Family
 Eugene Lubonski by Mulvaine Family
 Edward F. Mohrbach by Brekosky Fam.

Liturgical appointments for January 12-13, 2008				
Mass	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Sayes	Fr. Sayes	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer
Lectors	N. Peters M. Klakulak	P. Dobbs A. Loyson	J. Reaume J. Reaume	M. Greenway T. McBride
Eucharistic Ministers *Captain	D. Peters* D. Peters K. Peters A. Peters T. Klakulak	P. Loyson* M. Schimmel M. Schimmel R. Schultz J. Sobetski	S. Pospiech* D. Zabkowski L. Zabkowski L. Zellen S. Zellen P. Quayhackx B. Quayhackx	L. Hester* E. Goble S. Brunet M. Catalano S. Catalano
Altar Servers	T. Culver	—Open—	O. Cali K. Crabtree N. Skelly	G. Ellis F. Theodoroff
Greeters	D. Picklo O. Picklo	L. Weathers M. Weathers	A. Sebastian K. Sebastian	C. Sittenauer C. Winde
Ushers	Team #1 B. Diebboll L. Foltran R. Pewinski J. Wright	Team #3 B. Dale E. Fannon S. Krajewski A. Sova R. Chapman	Team #5 L. Monfils M. Bayer B. Janowiak K. Partyka L. Keast	Team #7 B. Cauley R. Kopera L. LePage J. Martino B. Jiannuzzi M. Bytner J. Gehrholz
Collection Counters	Sharon Bourgeois, Mike Adkins, Donald Byrne, Pat Orczykowski, Pat Fields, Len & Jacqueline Monfils, Dick & Pat Podolski			