

THE GOOD NEWS

PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 5, 2020

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD



We may walk many roads when we search for God, and He leads us all the while. The men we honor today were not Jews. The Messiah wasn't coming for *them*, not in the minds of Jesus' contemporaries. These men were astrologers. They were adept at reading portents in the sky, a practice condemned in the Mosaic covenant. Still, to the best of their knowledge and awareness, they were seeking the truth. This truth led them to journey from their own homeland to honor a king they'd never met, one they couldn't be sure truly existed. "*We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.*" Who do you know seeks God so tenaciously?

"*Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem,*" the Gospel tells us. Who are the seekers in your own life? Maybe it's your cautiously curious co-worker, the neighbor who unexpectedly found peace on a yoga retreat, or your desperately angry child who has chosen, for now, to go their own way. Perhaps they're not overtly headed for Jesus now, not yet. But they may well be seekers of truth in ways we didn't expect. Our invitation is to listen, inquire, and give directions when appropriate.

The magi and modern-day seekers can inspire us as well. When is the last time you sought God's truth so tenaciously? As believers, it can perhaps be easy to become desensitized to the Christmas season and to the miraculous reality we recently celebrated. Mass may have been lovely, but so was the succulent roast beef, the crisp smell of evergreen, and the warm glow of family. Consider asking yourself, "God, do I know you as well as I should? Would I journey as far as the magi to meet You, if I could? Do I journey to meet You daily in prayer? What do those answer say about me, and about our relationship?" Perhaps we, like the magi, can once again be "*overjoyed*" at seeing the Light of the World.

Presentation Our Lady of Victory Church is an urban parish that strives to proclaim the Good News of Christ and the beliefs of the Roman Catholic faith, focuses on increasing our love for God through worship; serves as stewards in the community and continues the ministry of Jesus Christ through prayer and evangelization.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 7

Communion Service / 50 & Over Meet 12:00pm

Thursday, January 9

Bible Study 1:00 pm

Friday, January 10

Just For Christ Support Group (Convent) 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 12

The Baptism of the Lord

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Chapel) 10:45 am

Prayer Gathering (Chapel) 10:45 am

Celebration of Mass (Chapel) 11:30 am

Vicariate Confirmation 2:30 pm



Lector

Jonathan Sanders

Altar Servers

Devin Busby

Isaac Propson

Rhea Sanders

Ministers of Holy Communion

Belinda Danzy

Rolanda Heard

Ushers

Willy Davis

Verita Morris

Coffee & Donuts

St. Vincent dePaul

Counters ~ January 13th

Robert Danzy

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The weekend of **December 29, 2019**

we received a total of **\$1,512.00**

Thank you for your continued support!!!

WE WELCOME YOU

Are you looking for a new place to
worship on Sunday?

Would you like to know more about us?

Do you want to become a member,
or need contribution envelopes?

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Please complete the attached form
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2020 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2020 Mass book is now available for
you to reserve a Mass. Call soon to get your
preferred date while many dates are open.

We also have a few Sundays available
for 2019 if you wish to have a Mass said.

If you would like to request a date,
please contact the Parish Office to sched-
ule your date at 313.255.9000.

FAITH FORMATION

† WELCOME TO 2020 †



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Saturday, January 18th @ 10:30 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Saturday, January 18th @ 12:00 pm

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 19th @ 12:30 pm at Parish Office

Sunday, January 12th @ 2:30 - 4:30 pm at St. Christopher

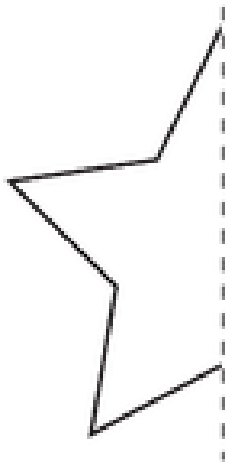
YOUTH SUNDAY

January 19th



Puzzle

Can you draw the second half of this star?



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Mission for the Week

Ask your family if you can visit a planetarium, or look through a special telescope, so you can see the stars God made.

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Growing with the
GOSPEL



Matthew 2: 1-12 ■ Epiphany of the Lord

CYCLE A

Read the Gospel and Color



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WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday, January 5
The Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

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

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

Wednesday, January 8
1 Jn 4:11-18
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January 9
1 Jn 4:19—5:4
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January 10
1 Jn 5:5-13
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, January 11
1 Jn 5:14-21
Jn 3:22-30

Sunday, January 12
The Baptism of the Lord
Is 42:1-4, 6-7
Acts 10:34-38
Mt 3:13-17

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTION

January 12, 2020



*Special prayers
for our Parish
family & friends
during the new year.*

† PRAYER LIST †

AT HOME

*Lindsay Bond, Cynthia Carter,
Donald & Barbara Carter, Theora Carter,
Sarah & Thomas Diggs, Ruth Donaldson,
Wesley Duggan, Emily McGhee, Doris Robinson,
Deacon Sanders, Alexander Stubbs Jr.,
June Sutton, Janice Wilson*

OTHER

Wayne Bradley, Mary Elizabeth Robinson

Please help us keep our information
up-to-date by calling the Parish Office
at 313.255.9000



Prayer to Unleash the Gospel

God our Father, you have called us to be witnesses to Jesus and have commissioned us to lead all people to encounter him. Send your Holy Spirit to enlighten our minds so that your will may be clear to us and that we may accept it. Dwell within our souls and make our hearts your own. Transform us into a band of joyful missionary disciples embracing the fruits of Synod 16 so as to share the good news of Jesus Christ in Southeast Michigan through joyful evangelization and service. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Amen.



Take the time to visit the Trinity Vicariate website

www.trinityvicariatedetroit.org



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A quick moment to say thanks to all who participated in the Christmas Cookie Exchange.

Truth be told that includes everyone in our church family. This holiday treat would not be possible without the effort of all.

There are those who shared their home baked goods, those who shared purchased treats, those who helped set up, those who helped clean up and even those who stored the cookies for the following week's enjoyment. To all of you.....THANK YOU SO MUCH.

And of course a great big thank you to those who came to enjoy the goodies and fellowship with the Church family.



We also thank Belinda Danzy for her efforts in coordinating this great Cookie Exchange!!!

CANONIZATION PRAYER

O God, I adore You. I give myself to You. May I be the person You want me to be, and May Your will be done in my life today. I thank You for the gifts You gave Father Solanus.

If it is Your Will, bless us with the Canonization of Father Solanus so that others may imitate and carry on his love for all the poor and suffering of our world.

As he joyfully accepted Your divine plans, I ask You, according to Your Will, to hear my prayer for... (your intention) through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"Blessed be God in all His Designs."

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Sunday at 10:45 am



† BLOOD DRIVE †

St. Scholastica Church

Monday, January 20, 2020

12:00 pm ~ 6:00 pm

To schedule an appointment, call Mary Ann Stella at 248.979.5917 or log onto Red-CrossBlood.org (sponsor code: stscholastica)

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Tolton Prayer

*God, *we give you thanks for your servant and priest, Father Augustus Tolton, *who labored among us in times of contradiction, *times that were both beautiful and paradoxical. *His ministry helped lay the foundation for a truly Catholic gathering in faith in our time.*

**We stand in the shadow of his ministry. *May his life continue to inspire us *and imbue us with that confidence and hope *that will forge a new evangelization for the Church we love.*

*Father in heaven, *Father Tolton's suffering service sheds light upon our sorrows; *we see them through the prism of your Son's passion and death. *If it be your Will, O God, *glorify your servant, Father Tolton,*

**by granting the favor I now request through his intercession *(mention your request) *so that all may know the goodness of this priest *whose memory looms large in the Church he loved.*

*Complete what you have begun in us *that we might work for the fulfillment of your kingdom. *Not to us the glory, *but glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, your Son *and our Lord; *Father, Son and Holy Spirit, *you are our God, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen*



Let's Save the Earth One K-Cup at a time!

I believe it's true when I say, that most of us love a good cup of coffee at some point during the day. And with the help of a Keurig coffeemaker, making that cup is pretty easy. But have we really thought.....**AT WHAT COST?**

"It is said that all of the K-cups sold in 2013 (8.3 billion) would wrap around earth 10.5 times". In 2014, it shot up to 9.8 billion. Whoa.....that made me stop and think..... "no more throwing them in the garbage".

I hope you'll join me on a quest to make our earth a beautiful place for all generations. **How can you help?** Start by saving all of your used K-cups. Put them in a bag (preferably paper) and dispose of them in the container located at the entrance every Sunday. I will personally prepare them to be recycled. If you wish to be a part of this endeavor, please call me at 313.255.9000. Thank you in advance for caring about this awesome gift given us.

MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others – no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. In addition, the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or by email ataginvestigations@michigan.gov. More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

Join Msgr. Daniel Trapp & Fr. Stephen Burr
on Pilgrimage

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST THROUGH THE HOLY LAND June 22 ~ July 1, 2020

ITINERARY

Monday, June 22 •

Departure from USA

Tuesday, June 23 •

Arrival in Israel | Galilee | Tiberias

Wednesday, June 24 •

Mount of Transfiguration | Cana | Tiberias

Thursday, June 25 •

Mount of Beatitudes | Tabgha | Tiberias

Friday, June 26 •

Sea of Galilee | Capernaum | Jerusalem

Saturday, June 27 •

Bethlehem | Jerusalem

Sunday, June 28 •

Via Dolorosa | Calvary | Mt. Zion | Jerusalem

Monday, June 29 •

Gethsemane | Western Wall | Jerusalem

Tuesday, June 30 • Free Day

Optional Dead Sea Excursion | Jerusalem

See Fr. Burr for more information or to get a flyer with detailed information.

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

Helping every soul within our reach to attain eternal life in Jesus Christ.

Powered by prayer and the Holy Spirit, with roots dating back to 1701, the Archdiocese of Detroit forms disciples and builds Catholic community in southeast Michigan. We administer Roman Catholic parishes and schools within the city of Detroit as well as Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, St. Clair, Monroe and Lapeer counties. We serve with a spirit of gratitude and joy, going forth with apostolic boldness to *Unleash the Gospel*.

The archdiocese is under the care of the Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron, Archbishop of Detroit.

Permanent Diaconate

Men discerning a call to the permanent diaconate can attend an information night at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit on Tuesday, January 7.

Permanent deacons play an important role in the life of the Church and in parishes across the Archdiocese of Detroit. Attendees will learn about the application process and requirements for entering formation for the permanent diaconate.

The CSA supports men studying for the permanent diaconate at Sacred Heart Major Seminary and funds the work of the archdiocesan Office for Clergy and Consecrated Life and the Permanent Deacon Formation Team, which coordinate diaconal ministry and formation.

For more information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to aod.org.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

The Epiphany of the Lord

Today, on this Solemnity of the Epiphany of our Lord, a common theme emerges in the Scripture readings from the Prophet Isaiah, St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesian community, and St. Matthew's Gospel: Jesus, through the Church, warmly welcomes all people to the faith. In a true spirit of evangelization and hospitality, is our parish as inviting and welcoming as Christ? We can help people in their journey to the Truth through Eucharistic worship, evangelization prayer gatherings, and participation in faith formation programs, like RCIA, Bible studies, or other means that open our hearts to a personal relationship with Christ.



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Stacey Dick, Jesse Goodwin, Belinda Danzy, Thomas Diggs, Monika Uriel

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SACRAMENTS**Reconciliation:** One half hour before Sunday Mass or by appointment**Baptism:** Please contact the Parish Office **Marriage:** Weddings must be arranged at least six months in advance**First Referral Network***The Global Real Estate Professional***Buy • Sell • Rent****Homes • Condos • Apartments • Buildings**

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