

## ST. JOSEPH

### PARISH

Vanderburgh County

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*A community of joyful, active,  
faith-filled people who give thanks to  
God by generously sharing their  
individual gifts and talents to serve the  
needs of all.*

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—5 PM

Sunday—8 & 10:30 AM

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## JANUARY 3, 2010 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Dear friends,

It is the day after Christmas as I write this letter. I am surrounded by cards and gifts that you have showered upon me. I thank you for all of them and for the many ways that you “gift” my life. I feel very fortunate to be able to share the journey of life with you!

Thanks also to all of you for your special financial generosity this Christmas! You helped us to almost catch up to where we need to be with our finances. May we continue to be blessed by your example of stewardship!

I also want to say a special thanks to all of our bulletin/newsletter advertisers. The generosity of these fifty-five area businesses enable us to publish our bulletin each week and publish and mail our newsletter each month. This year we welcome four new advertisers: Salad World West, Leisure Living Apartments, Parkview Nursing Home and West Side Pet Hospital.

This is a great time to say “thanks” to all of them and to support them by taking advantage of the services they offer!

Blessings on your week and throughout the new year!

*Fr. Gene Schroeder*

### SENIOR CITIZENS WILL MEET THIS FRIDAY JAN. 8 12 NOON AT ST. JOE IN 1 PM CAFETERIA

IT'S TIME TO  
WRAP UP OUR  
LOTTERY SALES  
FOR THIS YEAR?  
Is your name  
in the pot?



We have had a few tickets returned to us that have not been sold. Call the parish office and we'll deliver the tickets to you!

**MEMORIAL/MATER DEI LOTTERY  
TICKETS ALSO STILL AVAILABLE.**

...Call the Parish Office if you have not yet had the chance to buy your ticket.

# Lottery News

## Life as Sacred Journey

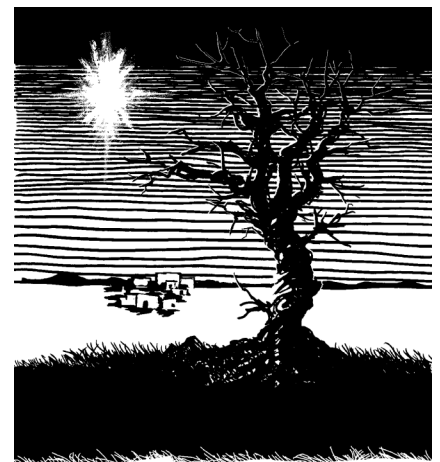
*by David Thomas*

Today we read about wise men who traveled to see Jesus. Finding him, they offered him gifts as the Lord of the Universe. Epiphany means *appearance*. This feast celebrated God appearing as Jesus to the *whole* world.

The guest list of those invited to celebrate the birth of Jesus contained a most interesting mix. Besides the animals, the first to arrive were shepherds. You could hardly find a more ordinary group.

On the other hand, the second group of invitees was much different. They were foreigners “from the East.” Visiting dignitaries we might call them. They were highly educated and well versed in astronomy. A new star had appeared in the heavens. They were curious, and as they pursued its meaning, they ended up coming to Jesus. Little did they suspect (or did they?) that Jesus himself was the power that created all the stars.

“Being led by a star” is a wonderfully poetic way of thinking how each of us has been led to Jesus. We, who are educated, somewhat sophisticated and with at least average intelligence, come before a child to see in him the presence of God. With our heart and eyes enlightened by faith, we believe that the divine mystery lies beneath the appearance of this newborn. Here in this child is God who threw the stars to the corners of the Universe. Yet this God still knows and cherishes each one of us. So great is his love! So deep is this mystery!





**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**JANUARY 3, 2010**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE SATURDAY, JANUARY 2 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**5:00 PM** Dolores Niemeier, Sam Featherstone, Kaysie McGehee, Edward & Helen Loehr, Marty & Buddy Dissinger, Drexel Sr. & Jerry Brothers, Charles, Benjamin & Makenzie Mossberger, Catharina Weiss (1929), Susanna Schneider (1930), Peter

Schenk (1944), Mary Hoefling (1967), Albert Gries (1990)

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**8:00 AM** Joseph Reiter, Alice Keil, Mark Mcguire, Catherine Hoefling

**10:30 AM** Art Logel, Jeanne Kuester, Catherine Hillenbrand (1963), Frank Voelker (1968), Blanche Rives (1978), Clara Baumgart (1998)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 4**

**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton**

**6:30 PM** Adolphus Fahrney (1902), Louise Macke (1953), Melvin Garvin (2009)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 5**

**Saint John Neumann**

**7:30 AM** Syl & Alveria Gries, Barthel Bender (1914), Alfred Kibby (1981), Katherine Quinlin (1984), Sr. Conradine Will O.S.F. (2002)

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6**

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

**7:30 AM** Elisabeth (1871), Christina Benendes (1955)

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 7**

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

**NO MASS** John Buchart (1880), Rosina Buchart (1880), Friedric Roeleke (1892), Joseph Ritter (1960), Sylvester Schnepfer (1967)

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 8**

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

**8:15 AM** Catharine Kissel (1887), Bettye Maurer (2008)

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 9**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**5:00 PM** Gilbert and Alberta Fehrenbacher, Henry Tenbarge (1907), Mary Hillenbrand (1975)

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 10**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**8:00 AM** Herb Langner, Bettye and Boobie Maurer, Alice Keil, Charlotte Huett, Catherine Hoefling

**10:30 AM** Sr. Ivo O.S.F. Jeanne Kuester (Philomena Weigand, 1900), Henry Storssen (1919), Victor Brugger (1968)



Please remember in your prayers *Catherine Hoefling*, the aunt of Dennis, Mike, and Norb niemeir, *Charlotte Huett*, the mother of Cindi Klueh, and *Jeanne Kuester*, the mother of Randy Kuester and Carolyn Lipper, who died this past week. May they know the fullness of eternal life with God and may his peace be with their family and friends.



**Do you have Christmas decorations you no longer need? Save them for our rummage sale.**



**STEWARDSHIP: *The Lord's Way***

*The three kings tin today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?*



DECEMBER 27, 2009	\$ 28,796.88
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 17,500.00
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$277,431.75
BUDGET TO DATE	\$297,500.00
CHILDRENS COLLECTION	\$ 34.26
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION	\$ 10.00

**YOUNG STEWARDS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE COLLECTION LAST WEEK:** Allyson & Nicholas Angermeier, Matt & Melissa Blythe, Trevor & Joshua Clem, Paige, Kurt & Trent Denning, Adam & Abby Elpers, Gabe, Ben & Danielle Gries, Jenna Klueh, Dillon & Madison Mossberger, Eric, Zachary & Matthew Ondash, Nicholas & Brianna Rogge, Issac, Catherine, Zackery, & Mariah Schneider, Nathan & Brandon Werner, Christiana Wolfe

**RAISING THE ROOF FUND**

DECEMBER 27, 2009	\$ 5,944.00
TOTAL TO DATE	\$ 255,921.51

**MISSION OUTREACH**

HAITI	\$ 20.00
HAITI STUDENTS	\$ 300.00
HAITI SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$ 805.00
NEEDY FUND	\$ 669.93

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES**

DEACONESS: *Stella Ubelhor, Madeline Rexing*  
 PINE HAVEN: *Betty Will, Brenda Koester, Charles Baylor*  
 SOLARBRON TERRACE: *Valeria Elpers, Clarence & Catherine Miller, Clarence and Mildred Rexing*  
 NORTH PARK NURSING CENTER: *Norm Moutoux*  
 ATRIA ASSISTED LIVING: *Bernadette Jean*  
 STERLING HOUSE ASSISTED LIVING: *Avila Fehrenbacher, Joan Roberts*  
 CYPRUS REHABILITATION CENTER: *Larry Hoefling*  
*Congratulations to Jenny and Matt Bishop on the birth of their daughter Elllie*

**January 3:** Brooke Hohler, Katie Parker, Matt Parker, Carolyn Wargel

**January 4:** Katie Barnes, Haley Elpers, Alan Blankenberger, Delores Strupp, Amy Tenbarge

**January 5:** Michelle Duncan, Joe Happe, Ethan Kissel, Tyler Weinzapfel

**January 6:** Clay Allison, Brian Elpers, Dick Klausmeier, Dawson Matherly, Charlotte Schlichting

**January 7:** Nathan Egler, Sandy Eickhoff, Keith Fehrenbacher

**January 8:** Terry Fehrenbacher, Mary McIntosh, Glenn Shane

**January 9:** Laney Fehrenbacher, Kylie Lincoln Paul Hasselbrinck, Taylor Holweger,

**January 3:** Brent & Laura Symon

**January 4:** Bryan & Angie Will

**January 5:** Wilbur & Marian Fehrenbacher, Mike & Eran Happe

**January 6:** Todd & Sheri Powers

**January 7:** Norb & Madonna Niemeier, Ron & Lisa Schneider

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

(EM=Eucharistic Minister, S=Servers, L=Lector, GB=Giftbearers, G=Greeters)

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JANUARY 9 & 10**

**5:00 PM** Kathy Cook, Butch & Linda Feulner, Jeanne & Pat Freeman (EM), Missy Singer (L), Lee & Toni Askins (GB), Ed & Betty Hartz (G)

**8:00 AM** Delores Folz, Richard & Imogene Baehl, Denise & Greg Lehman (EM), Kim Spaetti (L), Troy Meyer Family (GB), Chick & Jean Duncan (G)

**10:30 AM** Jane Scheller, June Beverly, Kitty Deig, Becky Doshier, Dick Griese (EM), Mandy Elpers (L), Mike & Julie Forcum Family (GB), Harold & Esther Niemeier (G)

**DECEMBER ST. JOE LOTTERY WINNERS:** \$750-Rob Grasso; \$300- Ron and Donna Miller; \$200-Rich Harpenau; \$100-Laquita Popham **MATER DEI TREASURE THE TRADITION DECEMBER WINNERS:** \$10,000- Lynn Wagner; \$1,500-Marcia Patterson; \$1,000- Tom and Kim Haines; \$500-Sam Clifford

**THANKS....**We want to express our gratitude for all the kind words, cards and goodies that were sent our way at the passing of our mother, Agnes Reising Willem. Thank you and God's blessings to you.

*~Esther Kelley, Evelyn Pope & our families*

**A PENNY A DAY CAN PROVIDE LIFEGIVING VITAMINS FOR CHILDREN IN HAITI**

We're starting a campaign to provide daily vitamins for the 750 children in the grade school and high school of St. James Parish in Haiti. Providing them with vitamins will be one of the simplest and most effective ways we can help them fight off the many diseases they face.

We can purchase children's chewable multivitamins wholesale for \$11 per bottle of 1,000 which is substantially below most retail pricing. To meet our goal we need a total of 150,000 vitamins.

Here's how you can help:

- A penny a day (\$3.65/year) can purchase enough vitamins for one child for more than a year
- \$11 can purchase 1000 vitamins, enough to provide for vitamins for 5 children
- \$55 can purchase 5000 vitamins, enough for 25 children
- \$110 can purchase 10,000 vitamins, enough for 50 children.



Our goal is to purchase the vitamins and send them via Parish Twinning Program of the Americas in March, If you would like to help you can send your donations to the parish office. Be sure to mark it "Haiti Vitamins."

If you would like more information or you want to arrange for someone to pick up your donation, contact Cecilia Koch (963-9257) or Susie head (963-8126).

**Save that extra change, pick up that penny that others leave behind. make your donation today to keep the children of Haiti healthy!**

**2010-2011 TUITION GRANT APPLICATION FOR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**



The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is announcing that applications for tuition assistance for the 2010-2011 school year are available at the offices of Mater Dei High School. They are also available at our school office as well as the parish office.

To download, type and print an application from Mater Dei High School website, [www.materdeiwildcats.com](http://www.materdeiwildcats.com), select "About MD" tab, then "Tuition and Fees".

Students wishing to attend Mater Dei High School may apply. CEF tuition awards are based entirely on financial need. Complete confidentiality is assured. Deadline for applying is March 12, 2010. Most of the grant funds will be awarded to those who apply on time. Appeals and late applications will be accepted until July 1, 2010 provided funding remains available.

Beginning early in 2010, a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) will be established under the leadership of the Diocese of Evansville to allow "school choice", or tuition assistance for students who qualify financially, and who wish to transfer from public school to private school. Parents can also apply to an SGO for tuition assistance for a child who will be entering kindergarten. Businesses and individuals are allowed a fifty percent Indiana tax credit in addition to the usual federal deduction for contributions made to an SGO. It is recommended that qualified parents of high school students apply to an SGO first, then to CEF if additional funding is needed.

For more information please call Margaret Angermeier: 402-6700 Ext. 302. Email: [cef@evdio.org](mailto:cef@evdio.org)

**Come view the story of Fatima....**



**THE 13TH DAY**

Wednesday, January 22--2 PM

Showplace Cinema North

Tickets \$5 Limited Seating

*Special benefit presentation with 100% of the proceeds going to support Fr. Myron Effing's missionary work in Eastern Russia*

Group tickets can be purchased from Marilyn Wassmer (985-3261) or email her at [donalwassmer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:donalwassmer@sbcglobal.net) Tickets may also be purchased at the door on Jan. 22.

**Pilates Tuesdays & Thursdays  
Jan. 19--Feb. 25 6:45-7:30 pm  
Cost \$40 Call Melissa 454-0571**



**WHO WILL BE PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS THIS WEEK**

Sign up to pray for vocations.

Sign up sheet is at the front doors of the church.

