



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

SUN 1/03	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
MON 1/04	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
TUE 1/05	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44
WED 1/06	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
THR 1/07	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a
FRI 1/08	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16
SAT 1/09	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30
SUN 1/10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

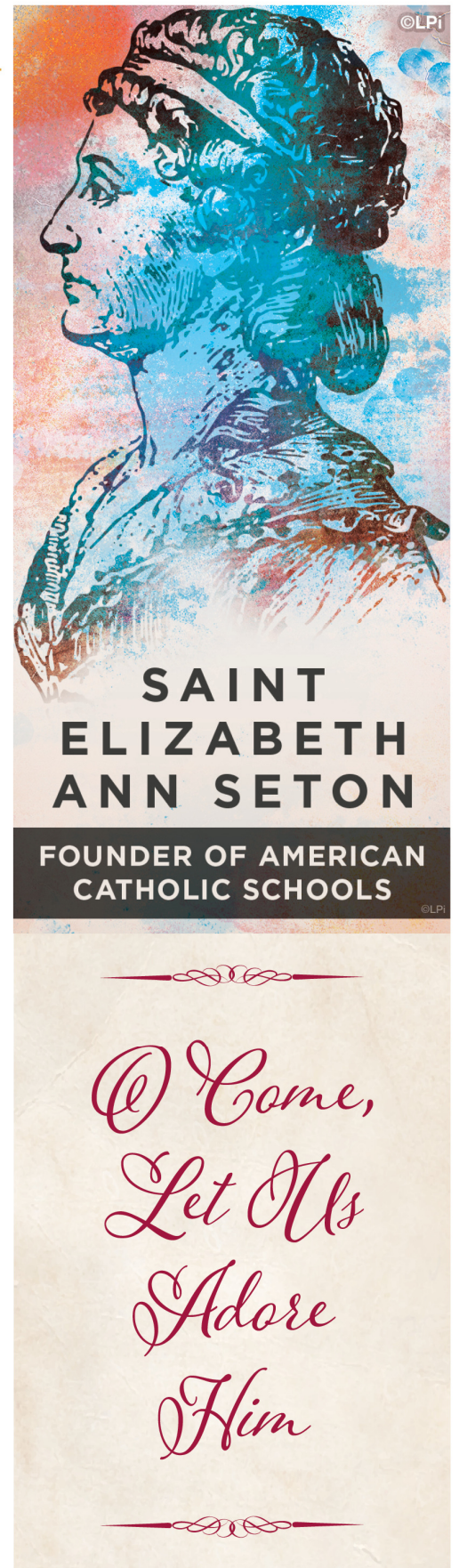
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Tuesday:	St. John Neumann, Bishop
Wednesday:	St. André Bessette, Religious
Thursday:	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Even the slightest flicker of a light helps to properly orient us when we find ourselves in total darkness. Being in darkness can be unsettling and even a bit unnerving. We lose our focus and struggle to find our bearings and achieve balance. On life's journey we may think we are walking in the light but are really lingering in darkness. We do not see the full picture, either because we are distracted, disinterested, or even apprehensive. Sometimes, we even choose to close our eyes when the light is readily available to illuminate our path. Do we really desire to know the truth of who we are? In Jesus Christ, a light has been given to those who dwell in darkness. God's revelation gives us the light to see where we come from, who we are and where we are going. It also tells us that this Good News is not meant for just a privileged few but is intended to go out to all the world. Is this something we want to see?



Masses For The Week**Monday - 1/4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton****No Mass****Tuesday - 1/5 - St. John Neumann****9:00 a.m. - Robert Maloney (Mary Lee Maloney)****Wednesday - 1/6 - (School Mass)****8:20 a.m. - Ed & Kathy Radel (Aurora & Les Waltz)****Thursday - 1/7****No Mass****Friday - 1/8****9:00 a.m. - Alan Runo (Mary & Bob Kring)****Saturday - 1/9****4:30 p.m. - Paul Malek (wife, Dianna)****Sunday - 1/10 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD****8:00 a.m. - People of Our Parish****10:30 a.m. - Antoinette Unklesbay (Dan & Susie)**

The Sanctuary Candle – is prayerfully lit in memory of Eleanor Hamel, from her loving husband, Jim.

200 Club Winner

Gary & Cathy Vogt (Ticket #162) - \$100.00

Did you know that you can have the tabernacle candle lit in honor of a loved one (either deceased or living). For \$10.00, the candle will be lit for an entire week for your intention. Please call Jennifer in the rectory office to schedule a week.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Come join us this new year for the Patriotic Rosary at St Barbara's on the east side of the church on Saturday, January 9th at 12noon. I would love to see some new faces. Let us pray for our nation and the world for an end to this pandemic and the pandemic of abortion and hatred in our world. Dear Mother Mary pray for us ,Help us. Any questions, contact Verla at **330-833-1125**

Vocations:

"They offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." Is God calling you to give the gold of your freedom, the incense of your prayer, and the myrrh of your love through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Father Scott Kopp at (330) 744-8451 or email skopp@youngstowndiocese.org.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

SATURDAY - 4:30 p.m. - **SUNDAY** - 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
HOLYDAY VIGIL - 7:00 p.m. - **HOLYDAY** - 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
WEEKDAY - Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 9:00 a.m.
 Wednesday, 8:20 a.m. (School Mass)
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY - 3:30 p.m.

December 26-27, 2020

Weekly Budget	\$ 12,621.00
Needy	\$ 318.00
Reg. Collection	\$ 3,162.00
Mail-in	\$ 9,994.66
On Line	\$ 3,180.00
Total	\$ 16,366.66
	\$ 3,745.66

Mass Attendance

179 - 4:30 - 45; 8:00 - 61; 10:30 - 73

Lectors - Saturday/Sunday

4:30 p.m. - 1/9 - S. Hall

8:00 a.m. - 1/10 - C. Anderson

10:30 a.m. - 1/10 - R. Bossler

Sacristans - Saturday/Sunday

4:30 p.m. - 1/9 - M. Kring

8:00 a.m. - 1/10 - C. or D. Anderson

10:30 a.m. - 1/10 - P. Martin

Bingo:

We are always looking for volunteers to help out at Bingo, which is currently the ONLY fundraiser we can have for the school and the parish. If you are able to volunteer, your help would be greatly appreciated! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! Areas to help could be anything from working the kitchen (taking money and serving food/coffee) to walking around selling instant tickets to players during the game and breaks (\$1.00 per ticket, you take the money and hand them the tickets). If you are able to help, please call either Jennifer at the parish office at (330) 833-6898 or Lisa at the schools office (330) 833-9510. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

**DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION
TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS**

The Catholic faithful who reside in the Diocese of Youngstown and all other Catholics in the diocese and especially those who are sick, or at high risk of becoming sick continue to be dispensed from their Sunday obligation until further notice. The Easter Duty obligation is extended for a period of one year from the end of the Easter Season 2020.

Mass Intentions:

Mass Intentions are available and may now be scheduled through June of 2021. If you would like to schedule a Mass for a loved one, please call the rectory office at (330) 833-6898 and speak with Jennifer.

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Dear Parishioners,

As we begin year 2021, I would like to share with you a reflection written by Charlotte Upah, titled: **Follow the Kings: LOOK UP.**

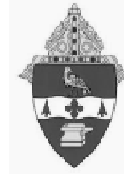
"Happy New Year! This is a great time to resolve a "New Attitude." An attitude that looks up, not down; the attitude that we are not alone, that God is around us in the people around us. An attitude that looks for the positives during negative times (the light in the darkness); the same wisdom that guided the three Kings to follow the star to seek the newborn Jesus in Bethlehem. And an attitude of thankfulness allowing us to look at our blessings so that we can share them with others (and God when loved ones leave us) just as the three Kings gave their gifts to Jesus—an attitude of gratitude.

The three wise men followed a star, God's light, to find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes. They would have missed the star if they had not "looked up." What difference would a positive attitude make in our life when things don't go our way? When the Kings looked up they saw a star put there to guide them on their journey. Who is being placed in our life here on earth to help guide us on our journey towards heaven? What sufferings are we being asked to bear so that our attitude towards life will change? A darkness so dark that we will seek the brightest of lights, God's light, instead of crying, whining, or complaining? God is the only one big enough, bright enough, comforting enough, to guide us out of the messes, struggles, or sorrows that have been placed in our life. Giving Him control and letting Him change us while we are suffering is to follow the light out of darkness.

The Kings were the leaders because they had the Wisdom to look up and seek God. Are we looking up for our wisdom? Or are we looking at what the world would say is right? And the Kings presented gifts, given with gratitude, for they knew that they had reached their destination in Jesus. They gave back to Jesus. Do we "look out" for God's other children? Or are we storing our blessings by using them to entertain ourselves and fulfill our own desires? Do we look up, give thanks and give back to God what He has given us; sharing our time, talent, or treasures with those who need lifted up in some way? If we look up we will find God waiting to take control of our lives. If we look up we will see God ready to guide us on our journey. If we look up we will see that God has placed someone in our life to help make the journey easier. If we look up we will see that there is someone around us who needs our time and treasures more than we do. **Christmas is not over, Christmas has just begun.**

The lights may have been taken off of our trees, but there is a much bigger light in our lives. The light of Scripture is our guiding star and the light of the new born Christ and His Church has been passed on to us through the generations to guide us on our life's journey. The gifts we received have been unwrapped and tucked away in closets. But we all have received gifts that need to be given; gifts of our time and talents, gifts not material. Blessings given to us by God, are we wise enough to share them? Look Up! And may the Christmas Spirit continue to lift you."

Have a blessed week,
Fr. Brian



~ A Prayer for Our New Bishop ~
BISHOP-ELECT REVEREND DAVID J. BONNAR
Almighty God, eternal shepherd and guide,
in your love for us,
You have blessed the Diocese of Youngstown
with a shepherd to lead us to be Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.

May Bishop-Elect Bonnar fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments
and the desire to build up your holy Church
so that "All May Be One."

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

In Memoriam: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Betty Baumgartner, sister of Laura Freidly and Bert Koehler, aunt of John (Kelly) Koehler and Todd (Holly) Freidly of our parish and of Lois (Vince) Drouhard of our parish, beloved parishioners who passed away. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and may they rest in peace.

On November 17th, 2020, Pope Francis appointed Reverend J. Bonnar the 6th Bishop of Youngstown. The Mass of Ordination and Installation will take place on Tuesday, January 12th, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Due to the limitations imposed by the current pandemic, the number of invitations has been severely restricted. You are invited to watch the ceremony via live stream on our diocesan website at doy.org/media/cathedral. A re-broadcast on ETC-Ecumenical Television Channel is scheduled for Thursday, January 14th, 2021 at 10:30 am and 8:00 pm.

NOTICE

Due to the rising number of cases of COVID-19, and in an effort to keep our staff and parishioners safe, the parish office will be closed to visitors. The staff will still be available to answer phone calls and assist with any questions. If you need to drop something off for a staff member, please do so in the locked mailbox next to the front door. We apologize for the inconvenience, but safety must be our priority during these uncertain times.

Office Hours:

Monday	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Thursday	CLOSED
Friday	10:00 am - 4:30 pm



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