

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY JANUARY 4 4:00 PM
+ DONNA KAY WILDER
SUNDAY JANUARY 5 8:30AM
+ JOSEPH JOHNSON
11:00 AM
+ GEORGE MOORE

TUESDAY JANUARY 7 8:00 PM
KAY MARSH & CIINDY HALL & GREG SPECIAL INTENTIONS
11:30AM
USA PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL CHAPEL
MARY ANN KEITH SPECIAL INTENTIONS

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8 8:00AM
MCGILL FAMILY INTENTIONS

THURSDAY JANUARY 9 8:00 AM
BEASLEY FAMILY SPECIAL INTENTIONS

FRIDAY JANUARY 10 8:00 AM
BEASLEY FAMILY SPECIAL INTENTIONS

SATURDAY JANUARY 11 4:00 PM
+ DN. BOB KIRBY
SUNDAY JANUARY 12 8:30AM
VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE IN OUR CITY

11:00 AM
+ BRAD WELLS

Collection details :

**December 29 2024
January 1 2025**

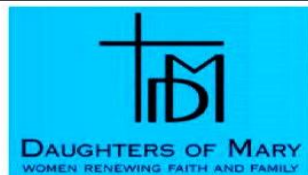
1st Collection \$ 4374 Candles \$ 12
Solemnity of Mary \$ 643 Parish Projects \$ 465
Total Deposit— \$ 5494



KNIGHTS OF COLUBUS -AND- LADIES AUXILIARY #8740

Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy

In the beginning



**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall
Tuesday at 6PM**

Bulkheads • Boathouses • Dredging • Boatlifts



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WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday 5
Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12 The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday 6
1 John 3:22-4:6
Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
Monday after Epiphany

Tuesday 7
1 John 4:7-10
Mark 6:34-44
Tuesday after Epiphany

Wednesday 8
1 John 4:11-18
Mark 6:45-52
Wednesday after Epiphany

Thursday 9
1 John 4:19-5:4
Luke 4:14-22
Thursday after Epiphany

Friday 10
1 John 5:5-13
Luke 5:12-16
Friday after Epiphany

Saturday 11
1 John 5:14-21
John 3:22-30
Saturday after Epiphany



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Catholic Parish

REV. PRABHU AROCKIASAMY, PASTOR



January 5 2025
The Epiphany of the Lord

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS SCHEDULES

**SATURDAY 3:15PM
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION
3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY
4:00 PM – HOLY MASS**

**SUNDAY 8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
8:30AM- HOLY MASS
10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
11:00AM- HOLY MASS**

REGULAR WEEKDAYS TUESDAY–FRIDAY 8:00 AM – HOLY MASS

2025– Catholic Charities Appeal

This weekend (January 4th & 5th) we will have the introduction to annual catholic charities Appeal.

Next weekend (January 11th & 12th, 2025), we will have the guest speaker Dn. Curt Crider (Deacon, Volunteer) to speak for Catholic Charities.

January 25th/26th Catholic Charities Appeal Sunday

This month we will not have monthly breakfast by knights and Ladies Auxiliary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will not have Eucharistic adoration until Epiphany Sunday (January 5, 2025)

FR. PRABHU BRINGS COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND ON JANURAY 9, 2025 & JANUARY 23, 2025. IF YOU KNOW ANY OF OUR PARISHINORS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND, WILLING TO MAKE CONFESSION & RECEIVE COMMUNION, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OR FR. PRABHU. HE WILL BE VERY HAPPY TO SEE THEM AND ADMINISTER SACRAMENTS.

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**ENCYCLICAL LETTER FRATELLI TUTTI
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON FRATERNITY
AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP**

164. Charity, on the other hand, unites both dimensions – the abstract and the institutional – since it calls for an effective process of historical change that embraces everything: institutions, law, technology, experience, professional expertise, scientific analysis, administrative procedures, and so forth. For that matter, “private life cannot exist unless it is protected by public order. A domestic hearth has no real warmth unless it is safeguarded by law, by a state of tranquillity founded on law, and enjoys a minimum of wellbeing ensured by the division of labour, commercial exchange, social justice and political citizenship”.[139]

Foot Note : Encyclical Letter Laudato Si’ (24 May 2015), 191: AAS 107 (2015), 923.

165. True charity is capable of incorporating all these elements in its concern for others. In the case of personal encounters, including those involving a distant or forgotten brother or sister, it can do so by employing all the resources that the institutions of an organized, free and creative society are capable of generating. Even the Good Samaritan, for example, needed to have a nearby inn that could provide the help that he was personally unable to offer. Love of neighbour is concrete and squanders none of the resources needed to bring about historical change that can benefit the poor and disadvantaged. At times, however, leftist ideologies or social doctrines linked to individualistic ways of acting and ineffective procedures affect only a few, while the majority of those left behind remain dependent on the goodwill of others. This demonstrates the need for a greater spirit of fraternity, but also a more efficient worldwide organization to help resolve the problems plaguing the abandoned who are suffering and dying in poor countries. It also shows that there is no one solution, no single acceptable methodology, no economic recipe that can be applied indiscriminately to all. Even the most rigorous scientific studies can propose different courses of action.

Foot Note : PIUS XI, Address to the Italian Catholic Federation of University Students (18 December 1927): L’Osservatore Romano, 23 December 1927, p. 3.

166. Everything, then, depends on our ability to see the need for a change of heart, attitudes and lifestyles. Otherwise, political propaganda, the media and the shapers of public opinion will continue to promote an individualistic and uncritical culture subservient to unregulated economic

interests and societal institutions at the service of those who already enjoy too much power. My criticism of the technocratic paradigm involves more than simply thinking that if we control its excesses everything will be fine. The bigger risk does not come from specific objects, material realities or institutions, but from the way that they are

used. It has to do with human weakness, the proclivity to selfishness that is part of what the Christian tradition refers to as “concupiscence”: the human inclination to be concerned only with myself, my group, my own petty interests. Concupiscence is not a flaw limited to our own day. It has been present from the beginning of humanity, and has simply changed and taken on different forms down the ages, using whatever means each moment of history can provide. Concupiscence, however, can be overcome with the help of God.

Foot Note : Cf. ID., Encyclical Letter Quadragesimo Anno (15 May 1931): AAS 23 (1931), 206-207.

167. Education and upbringing, concern for others, a well-integrated view of life and spiritual growth: all these are essential

for quality human relationships and for enabling society itself to react against injustices, aberrations and abuses of economic, technological, political and media power. Some liberal approaches ignore this factor of human weakness; they envisage a world that follows a determined order and is capable by itself of ensuring a bright future and providing solutions for every problem.

Foot Note : Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium (24 November 2013), 205: AAS 105 (2013), 1106

168. The marketplace, by itself, cannot resolve every problem, however much we are asked to believe this dogma of neoliberal faith. Whatever the challenge, this impoverished and repetitive school of thought always offers the same recipes. Neoliberalism simply reproduces itself by resorting to the magic theories of “spillover” or “trickle” – without using the name – as the only solution to societal problems. There is little appreciation of the fact that the alleged “spillover” does not resolve the inequality that gives rise to new forms of violence threatening the fabric of society. It is imperative to have a proactive economic policy directed at “promoting an economy that favours productive diversity and business creativity”[140] and makes it possible for jobs to be created and not cut. Financial speculation

fundamentally aimed at quick profit continues to wreak havoc. Indeed, “without internal forms of solidarity and mutual trust, the market cannot completely fulfil its proper economic function. And today this trust has ceased to exist”.[141] The story did not end the way it was meant to, and the dogmatic formulae of prevailing economic theory proved not to be infallible. The fragility of world systems in the face of the pandemic has demonstrated that not everything can be resolved by market freedom. It has also shown that, in addition to recovering a sound political life that is not subject to the dictates of finance, “we must put human dignity back at the centre and on that pillar build the alternative social structures we

Foot Note : Benedict XVI, Encyclical Letter Caritas in Veritate (29 June 2009), 2: AAS 101 (2009), 642.

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family’s flight into Egypt. Matthew’s Gospel tells a version of Jesus’ birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, “When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . .” The story of the census is found only in Luke’s Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew’s Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew’s Gospel, they represent the Gentiles’ search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus. We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus’ role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus’ kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus’ death.

The word Epiphany means “manifestation” or “showing forth.” Historically several moments in Christ’s early life and ministry have been celebrated as “epiphanies,” including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Announcement

January 11, 2025 at 9:00am so, please come and help remove decorations. Thanks for your dedicated volunteer help. You’re Awesome.

PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Tony Lemon, Mary Ann Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Elaine Moore, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Damian, Tanya, John, and Catherine, Meg, Patricia, Mary, William, Eddie, Boot, Ryan, and Elyse, George Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor, Jowe, Jean Stanley, Colleen O’Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett, Ted Beasley, Mark Tranier, Barbara Tranier, Linda Davis, Pat Carlson, Laura Huff, Linda Nowosielski, Mike Bell Jr., John, Jane wigley, Darlene O’Rourke, Arlette cooper, Tony Robertson, Linda Oblak, Blair Elizabeth Reusser, Bernadette Mctagette, June King

MASS OPENING
February – 2025 February

06—Opening February 07—

Opening February 08 —

Opening

February 09 — 11:00am

Opening February 11—

Opening February 13—

Opening February 14—

Opening February 15—

Opening

All masses for Wednesdays for the year 2025 are taken.