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8 JANUARY, 2023

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

FROM FATHER CHUCK

E-Mail Hack

My e-mail has been hacked twice in the past two weeks. The e-mail from a g-mail account which I do not use. Please remember that if you get an email from me with a gmail count it is not me. These e-mails ask for money or gift cards and you are very aware that I would never ask you to do anything like that. When this happens it is always a pain in the neck. So please be watchful if you receive e-mails from me. My best advice is to not open them.

Feast the Epiphany.

One of the important things to do is remind ourselves to ask God for his special blessing upon our homes. This is the formula for writing with chalk above the door way to the entrance of your home. You will write:

20 + C + M + B + 2023. This is a beautiful way to always be reminded that we seek the Lord's blessing of our home every day.

This blessing is one of many beautiful ways to live our Catholic faith in our homes.

Year End Contribution Statements.

We will be mailing out our contribution statements in the next weeks. If you have any questions about your contributions to the year 2022 please contact me at the office. Your generosity has been tremendous. Thank you for your generous support of Saint Peters. I know that this year has been a challenge financially and hope for better times this coming year.

Confirmation Ceremony.

This a simple reminder that the ceremony for confirmation will be on Saturday February 18 at 6:00 p.m. I hope that we have a large congregation to celebrate this special sacrament.

Finances.

I wish to thank you for your generosity to the Christmas collection. The Christmas collection totaled over \$31,000.00. I have written before that we were running over a \$20,000.00 deficit for the year. We do have a surplus of over \$22,000.00 which will help us meet our budget. Thank you for your generosity and please stay current with you tithing. This year is the biggest challenge we have ever had financially.

Ignite

We have had pledges of over \$360,000.00 to the Ignite campaign. I want to end this campaign in two weeks. I hope and pray that we reach \$400,000.00 as this would be about sixty percent of our goal. If you have not made your pledge please do so as it will help the diocese continue to support many ministries in the coming years.

Wonderful Family.

This years Christmas Eve a wonderful time for me. My Sister, Mary Jo and her husband Don, my niece Anne and husband Robert and my two great nephews Trey and Blake visited and attended the 3:45 p.m. mass. They remarked that they wished that their parish had Eucharistic celebrations like Saint Peters. My two great nephews, Trey and Blake, were very impressed with something that I will not tell you, but you can imagine what two young men would be very impressed with.

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Readings for January 15, 2023
1st Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Gospel: John 1:29-34

Don't forget Women's Prayer Group, Tuesday, January 10 at 6:30pm
in the Father Kottas Social Hall

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue	1/10	8:00 am	Eileen Taylor & Bernadine Nicholson
Wed	1/11	8:00 am	Alvera Hill
Thur	1/12	5:30 pm	Jacquie Rallis
Fri	1/13	8:00 am	Marilyn Ryan
Sat	1/14	4:00 pm	Karen Sommer
Sun	1/15	8:00 am	Nancy Prososki
Sun		10:00 am	Mary Jo Dressel
Sun		Noon	Virginia Carberry

SATURDAY, 4PM January 14, 2023
ALTAR SERVERS: Ava & Ella Bussey, Nicholas Moses
LECTORS: Wally Bussey, Jim Beck
EUCH MINISTER: Pat Shadden
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben

SUNDAY, 8 AM, January 15, 2023
ALTAR SERVERS: Oliver & Owen Juranek, George & Audrey Garst
LECTORS: Sean Dunphy, Kara Dunphy
EUCH MINISTER: Nicole Juranek
USHERS: Sue Brownlee, Dennis Coughlin, Steven Evezic, Andy Juranek

SUNDAY, 10 AM January 15, 2023
ALTAR SERVERS: Alyssa & Kyla Brockelsby, Abby Lighthipe
LECTORS: Devin Menges, John Ross Biedermann
EUCH MINISTER: Barb Nielsen
USHERS: Paul Schmitz, Andrea Nelson, Dave Bristol, Mike Nielsen

SUNDAY, NOON January 15, 2023
ALTAR SERVERS: Edna Thomas, Jean Thomas, Aubree Brandau
LECTORS: Anne Rohling, MiKayla Yanovich
EUCH MINISTER: Mike Thomas
USHERS: Chris Olson, Rob Peters, Adam Thomas, Trevor Yanovich

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- Becoming an adult is the dumbest thing I've ever done.
 - When you get a headache, take two aspirin and keep away from children just the like the bottle says.
 - Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo.
 - Marriage tip: Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she's mowing the lawn or shoveling the snow.
 - Even duct tape can't fix stupid but is sure does muffle the sound.
 - I can multitask. I can listen, ignore, and forget all at the same time.
 - Coffee is always a good idea.
 - I'm sorry I slapped you but you didn't seem like you would ever stop talking and I panicked.
 - They said don't give up on your dreams so I went back to sleep.
 - Relax...We're all crazy. It's not a competition,
 - You can't make everyone happy. You're not chocolate.
 - That's a terrible idea...I'm in
 - All our visitors bring happiness and joy. Some by coming, others by leaving.
 - If money can't buy happiness, explain coffee and chocolate.
 - Life is too short to be serious all the time so if you can't laugh at yourself, call me. I'll laugh at you.
 - I think I made too many New Year's resolutions this year. It took me almost a full day to break them all.
 - Yelling at a dog to stop barking does not work well. The dog just thinks, "Awesome! Now we're both barking."
 - I swear if my memory was any worse, I could plan my own surprise party.
 - I am proud to announce that I completed the 1st item on my bucket list. I have the bucket.
 - To everyone that received a book from me for Christmas, they're due back at the library next Friday.
- Have a great week, stay safe, be nice to each other

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

I always seem to find ideas to enrich our lives. Here is my idea. Take the time to write a loving or appreciative letter to someone. I don't mean to send an e-mail or text or what ever. Sit down with a paper and pen and write the letter and mail it. You will be amazed how wonderful you will feel and how wonderful the person you send the letter to will be uplifted.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, January 8-Coffee & Rolls after 8 & 10 masses
Tuesday, January 10-Women's Prayer Group 6:30 pm
Wednesday, January 11-Rel Ed & Confirmation
Monday, January 16-Knights of Columbus meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday, January 18-Rel Ed & Confirmation
Sunday, January 29-Knights of Columbus Catholic Schools
Breakfast 8am—Noon, Social Hall

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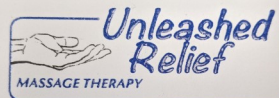
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