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### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8am

Thurs: 5:30pm

### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm

Sunday 7:00-7:45am

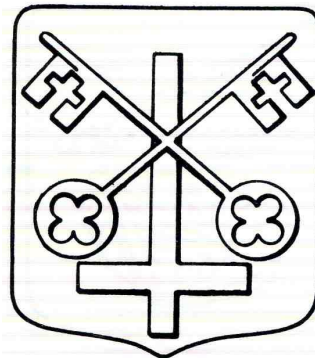
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## **Save the Date!**

Sunday, January 5th, 2025

Youth Group

7—9 pm, Corpus Christi

Tuesday, January 7th

Committee Meetings

6:30 pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall

Saturday, January 11th

Wine and Cheese after Mass

5:00 pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall

Sunday, January 12th

Wine and Cheese after Mass

1:00 pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall

5 JANUARY, 2025

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## From Father Jacob

### **Lord every nation on Earth will adore You!**

The word “epiphany” means appearance, and the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord originally celebrated the visit of the Magi, but also the baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana, all times when Jesus’s power and glory were “shown forth” to the world. Today we mostly focus on the visit of the Magi.

The visit of these wise men is important because it is the beginning of the fulfillment of God promise that His salvation is not just for one people, the Jewish people, but, through them, for all nations and peoples. The magi are not Jewish, but they recognize the coming of the Lord and come and lay their gifts before Him. God’s salvation is for the whole world, and this is the very beginning of announcing it.

The wise men bring gifts to present to the baby Jesus, and these are significant:

Gold is presented to a king. Jesus is the descendant of David, the new king of Israel. He is also the new Adam, the rightful ruler of all humanity and, as God, He is the king of the universe.

Frankincense is a kind of incense, which is burned as an offering to God. Jesus is God become a man, in whom “the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us”. The wise men also worshipped Jesus by prostrating themselves.

Myrrh is another kind of incense, one specifically used to embalm the dead. Here the wise men foretell that Jesus will die for us on the cross, and so destroy death and free us for eternal life with him. When Jesus died Nicodemus brought myrrh and other spices to embalm him (John 19:39). Some people think this is the same myrrh the wise men brought but nobody knows for sure.

### **Donuts and wine and cheese**

We are so lucky to have great coffee and donuts provided by the Knights of Columbus at the 8am and 10am Masses next weekend.

In an effort to expand our Parish fun and help our parishioners know each other better, the Parish life committee is hosting **wine and cheese (and crackers and lemonade) after the 4pm and noon Masses** next weekend, **January 11th and 12th**. Please stay after Masses to mix and mingle with your fellow parishioners.



### **Feed the Children**

St Peter’s Feed the Children food packing event will be Saturday, February 22nd from 9am to 1pm. Save the date and plan to sign up for a time next weekend!

This is a great opportunity to serve those in need in far-off places so I hope you and your family will take advantage!

### **Committee Meetings**

Our parish committees make everything tick here at St Peter’s. If you love our parish and want to help us continue to do good things for God, our families, and our neighbors, then a parish committee is right for you. They are meeting this **Tuesday, 1/7/25 at 6:30 in the Social Hall**. Please consider coming to join one of our great committees.

5 JANUARY, 2025

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

READINGS FOR: January 12, 2025  
1ST READING: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
2ND READING: Acts 10:34-38  
GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-16,21-22

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue 1/7 8:00 am Mary Claire Clark-RIP  
Wed 1/8 8:00 am Ivan & Susie Duff  
Thurs 1/9 5:30 pm Mass for the Repose of All Souls  
Fri 1/10 8:00 am Don & Mildred Goeser-RIP  
Sat 1/11 4:00 pm Teri Regan-RIP & Maxine Gotto-RIP  
Sun 1/12 8:00 am St. Peter's Parish  
10:00 am Disalvo & Dinges Family  
Noon Joan Bunten-RIP & William E Roarty-RIP

SATURDAY, 4PM January 11, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Nicholas & Emma Rodenburg, & Rowan Jackson  
LECTORS: Evelyn Duitsman, Richard Selken  
EUCH MINISTERS: Pat Shadden, Wayne Stangl, Toni Hansen  
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, Mark Assman

SUNDAY, 8 AM, January 12, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Noah & Dawson Smith, Audrey Garst  
LECTORS: Jean Coughlin, Joan Goeser  
EUCH MINISTERS: Norma Finn, Sheryl Garst, Nicole Juranek  
USHERS: Jeff Veit, Jim Havermann, Sue Brownlee, Russ Goeser

SUNDAY, 10 AM January 12, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Thomas Biederman, Leighton Finnegan, Abby Lighthipe  
LECTORS: Chris & Ed Fink  
EUCH MINISTERS: Patty Gantt, Jill Clevenger, Maureen Garrigan  
USHERS: Dan Lighthipe, Margine Henry, Dave Bristol, Bryan Carolus

SUNDAY, NOON January 12, 2025  
ALTAR SERVERS: Payton & Ben Johnson, 1 Altar Server needed  
LECTORS: Chris Maher, Natalie Veater  
EUCH MINISTERS: Janet Hogsed  
USHERS: Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich, Chris Olson, Mikey Donovan

Father's Thought for the Week

They prostrated themselves and did him homage.  
Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of  
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

We come to Mass today to prostrate ourselves and do him  
homage, too. What gifts do we have to offer him? How will I  
serve the Lord this week? How will I honor him? How will I  
let him rule in my heart, in my family, in my life more this  
week than last week? Let's come with gifts next week.

Risen Son Ministry for January: Sunday, January 5-Jon & Maureen Garrigan, Sunday, January 12:Jim & Liz Havermann, Sunday, January 19: Patti Ford, Sunday, January 26-Gene & CC Foral.

After 4 pm mass on Saturday, January 11 & after Noon mass on Sunday January 12 the Parish Life Committee invites you to stay for wine and Cheese, water, lemonade, crackers, and other light snacks. Free will offerings will be gratefully accepted.

Committee Meetings on Tuesday, January 7. No Parish Council Meeting.

Fully Alive Youth Group January 19 will be at St. Patrick's.

FEED THE CHILDREN-Again this year we will package meals for FEED THE CHILDREN. We will need a minimum of 100 people to volunteer. This event is scheduled for Saturday, February 22 in the Father Kottas Social Hall from approximately 9:00am to 1:00pm. There will be sign up sheets in church in the upcoming weeks.

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- Most stress is caused by three things: money, family, and family with no money.
- Forget beauty sleep—I want “look younger” sleep.
- Let's all take a moment to recognize the true heroes of the season—elastic waistbands.
- One thing about me is you should never believe me when I say I'm “just going to take a little nap.” I'm going to sleep for hours.
- I'm at a place in my life where errands are starting to count as going out.
- My wrinkles shows I laughed, my grey hair shows I cared, my scars showed I lived, and my stomach shows I really like biscuits and gravy.
- If you want to hide something from your husband, put it eye level in the refrigerator.
- Enjoy your day. If you feel like doing some work, sit down and wait until that feeling goes away.
- If you are having a bad day just remember that the airport in Vienna, Austria has a counter for people who thought they flew to Australia.
- I'm so old I remember when a hashtag was called a pound sign, and we played tic-tac-toe on top of it.
- There is absolutely no excuse for laziness. But if you find one, let me know.
- My Saturday was going really well until I realized it was Sunday.
- Why can't the house clean itself? It seems to get dirty by itself.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, January 5-7-9pm, Youth Group at Corpus Christi  
Wednesday, January 8-Rel Ed & Confirmation 6:15pm  
Thursday, January 9-RCIA 7pm in hall  
Sunday, January 12-Coffee & Rolls after 8 & 10pm

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