**Sunday, December 30th**  
*Feast of the Holy Family*  
9:00 am  St. John Nepomucene Parish  
11:00 am  St. John Nepomucene Class of 1946

**Monday, December 31st**  
*Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary*  
4:00 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Kocab & Tallarovic Families

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019**  
*Solemnity of Mary*  
9:00 am All Souls  
11:00 am Special Intention

**Wednesday, January 2nd**  
No Morning Mass

**Thursday, January 3rd**  
No Morning Mass

**Friday, January 4th**  
No Morning Mass

**Saturday, January 5th**  
4:00 pm Megan Wagner

**Sunday, January 6th**  
9:00 am Eleanor Bednarz  
11:00 am St. John Nepomucene Class of 1946

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**Sanctuary Guild Volunteers**  
January 2nd thru January 15th  
Barbara Nieszczur & Toni Suchy

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**Sick Calls** – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

**Weddings** – Parishioners are asked to call the rectory office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with Father Jasany.

**Baptisms** – The 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm. Parents are required to attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the date of baptism. Before parents baptize their child, Diocesan and parish policy requires you to complete a Baptism Preparation Class. **The next class will be on Sunday, January 6, 2019 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 11:15 am.** Please call 216-641-2829 to register.

**Godparent and Sponsor Certificate** – Sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Church, attending weekly and Holy Day Masses for a minimum of 3 months prior to the celebration of the Sacraments for which they have requested the certificate. Please note individuals 18 years of age and older, no longer in school, need to register.

**Pre-Cana Program** for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at the Jesuit Retreat House on Sunday, January 13, 2018 at 12:45 pm. Program satisfies the requirement for marriage preparation as stipulated by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Register at 440-884-9300 or www.jrhcleve@att.net
Dear Parishioners,

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were two inspiring moments in the life of our parish. I am grateful to everyone who worked on the details of these celebrations. I also thank everyone who attended our Christmas Masses.

Our church looked wonderful. I thank Jim Armbruster, Our Pastoral Council and our volunteers who beautifully decorated our church. I am also grateful to our parish staff members who helped in various ways – Pauline Kowalski, Judy Lasecki, Anthony Laboy, Jan Vitt, Armontey Lucas and Sue McDonough. I wish to thank all our liturgical ministers – Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Musicians.

We thank Buck McDaniel, our organist and director for the music at our 4 pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass as well as our visiting musicians and singers – Kristine Caswelch, Hanna Landrum, Preston Masters, Van Parker and Chelsea Polk. We express our gratitude to Ralph Bednarz and our Schola for the music at the 10 pm Christmas Eve Mass and the 9 am Christmas Day Mass. We thank Sandy Yody, Terry Weiss and the members of our contemporary music ministry for the music at our 11 am Mass on Christmas Day.

All the musicians and singers did a wonderful job at our four Masses and shared the joy of Our Savior’s Birth through their music and singing.

We thank our Holy Name Society members for purchasing the outdoor Nativity Set by the flagpole near the school. We are grateful also to the Southeast Council #3222 of the Knights of Columbus who gave a $5000.00 donation to our parish for Christmas. Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

This year, January 1, 2019 is a Holy Day of Obligation. It is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. Everyone is required to go to Mass for the Holy Day. We have a 4 pm Vigil Mass on New Year’s Eve, December 31st. We have two Masses at 9 am and 11 am on New Year’s Day, January 1, 2019.

We have church calendars at our church entrances for you to take home. Please take extra calendars to give to people you know. The calendars were donated by Bican Brothers & Fortuna Funeral Homes. We also have 2019 monthly planner calendars which are a gifts from our parish for you to take home. These are also by our church entrances.

The Christmas Season extends to the Baptism of Our Lord, which is January 13, 2019. So, you can still say Merry Christmas! to everyone.

In regards to our Christmas celebrations, I am grateful to all of you for making these celebrations a beautiful moment in the life of our parish.

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

Father Jasany
Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, December 23rd $4442.13
Christmas Flowers 47.50
Christmas Crib 4.00
Memorials 395.00
St. Vincent de Paul 600.00

Our Christmas Season collection will be posted in our January 6th Bulletin.
Thank you for your continued Generosity!
May Our Lord continue to bless you.

Readings for the week of December 30th

Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/
Lk 2:41-52
Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96: 1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/Jn 1:29-34
Friday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
[2a]/Jn 1:43-51
Next Sunday: 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

Monday, December 31st
Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 4 pm

Tuesday, January 1, 2019
Solemnity of Mary; A Holy Day of Obligation - Mass at 9 am and 11 am

Wednesday, January 2nd
Liga Morska Meeting – 11 am

Saturday, January 5th
First Saturday Devotions 3:15 pm

Sunday, January 6th
The Epiphany of the Lord
Throughout Germany at this time of year, you will find most main doorways inscribed with: 20+C+M+B+16. Children known as Sternsinger (star singers) dress up and go door to door, requesting candy for themselves and money for the Church. As they leave, the house is blessed and the inscription written chalk. The 20 and 16 refer to the year, the CMB are said to represent either Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar, the Magi; or the Latin Christus Mansionem Benedicat, which means, “Christ, bless this Home.” Today, we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, in which we remember the adoration of the newborn Christ by three wise men from the East. This should leave no doubt in anyone’s mind just how far and wide the promise of a Savior had spread. These representatives of pagan religions from other lands were determined to pay their respects. It was as if they were born to do this, to acknowledge in some way the beginning of the greatest reign of the greatest king of all. The Epiphany is the third manifestation of the mystery of the Incarnation, following the Annunciation and the Birth of Christ. Today is truly the beginning of the paschal mystery.
The rectory will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 31st & January 1st. We will be back on Wednesday, January 2nd. Happy New Year!


For the Men and Women serving in the military, especially those from our parish and their families.

For Our Loved Ones who have died that they rest in eternal peace in heaven.

Remember to recycle all of your holiday paper this Season. Wrapping paper, packing, boxes, holiday cards & catalogs. We received a check from River Valley paper for $31.84 for our November recycling.