

JANUARY 7, 2018
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every Wednesday 7:30am - 6:30pm
Every First Friday 7:00pm to 8:00pm
To schedule an hour with Our Lord
please contact MaryAnn or Phil Everett at
254-721-0931 or 254-721-8142 or
Helen Marie Kreitz at 254-773-6946.

*“Come to me all you who labor and are
burdened, and I will give you rest.”*

Matthew 11:28

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Thank you to our families; your prayers strengthen
those being called by God to live out their vocation.

Jan 14	K & R Oujezdsky	7:30am
Jan 21	K & J Bartz	9:15am

SECOND COLLECTION

This week's collection will benefit
our parish school. Thank you for
promoting Catholic education with
your generosity.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

For many years, pro-“choice” most significant and
basic argument has been that the so-called fetus is
not a human life. They also claim that the question
of when human life begins is uncertain and a
religious issue.

However, medical textbooks and scientific
reference works consistently agree that life begins
at conception, when a genetically distinct individual
is brought into existence. Some of the world's most
prominent scientists and physicians testified to a
U.S. Senate committee that human life begins at
conception. At these same hearings, pro-
abortionists, though invited to do so, failed to
produce even a single expert witness who would
testify that life begins at any point other than
conception.

From the moment of conception, the unborn fetus is
not simple, but very complex. The newly fertilized
egg contains a staggering amount of genetic infor-
mation, sufficient to control the individual's growth
and development for an entire lifetime. It is
scientifically inaccurate and untrue to say a fetus is
not a human being simply because he or she is at
an earlier stage of development than an infant.
The mother and the unborn child are two separate
individuals and half the time, they are not even the
same sex! The child has its own DNA, fingerprints
and blood type, distinct from the mother's. So,
when human life begins is not so much just a
religious issue as they would have us believe!
May you have a very Blessed new year.

Fr. Steve

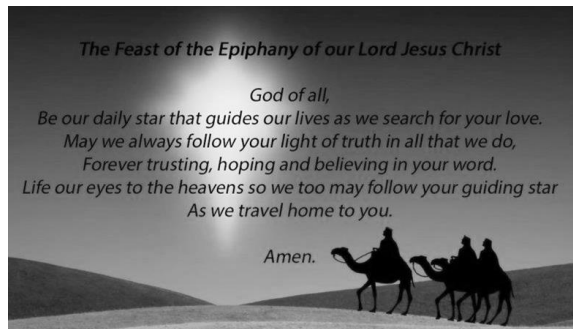


The Week Ahead

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

~EPIPHANY~

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?



YOUR GIFT TO GOD

December 31, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$	7,023.50
Feast of the Holy Family	\$	1,654.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	160.00
Building Fund	\$	160.00
School Fund	\$	111.00
Holy Christmas	\$	110.00
Helping Hands	\$	70.00
Children's Collection	\$	19.02
Total	\$	9,307.52

Note: totals include online giving

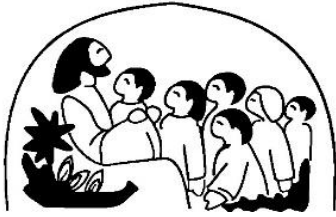
Date	Event	Location	Time
Mon Jan 8 th	Quilting Angels	Ave Maria Room	9:00am
Tues Jan 9 th	Knitting & Crocheting Group	Regina Caeli	10:00am
	Adult Bible Study	Regina Caeli	1:30pm 6:00pm
	Men of Joseph	O'Reilly Bldg.	7:00pm
Wed Jan 10 th	1 st Reconciliation Meeting	Parish Hall	6:30pm
	Adoration	Church	7:30am
Thurs Jan 11 th	St. Mary's School Awards	Church	2:00pm
	Boys Rec Basketball Practice	Parish Hall	6:00pm
	Pastoral & Finance Council Meeting	Conf. Room Office	6:30pm
	RCIA	Regina Caeli	7:00pm
Sat Jan 13 th	Basic Teachings of the Church "Scriptures"	Regina Caeli	9:00am
	St. Mary's School Alumni Fiesta	Parish Hall	6:00pm



Don't forget to bless your home!

How?

<http://www.carmelites.net/news/chalking-door-2017-epiphany-house-blessing/>



FOCUS ON FAITH FORMATION

The Epiphany of the Lord

At Christmas, the Light was seen by only a few around the crib: Mary and Joseph and the shepherds. The Feast of the Epiphany (Greek *epiphania*, the visit of a god to earth) lifts our eyes from the family celebrations and demands that we include in our vision “all the ends of the earth.” Like the Three Wise men, we need to have the courage to follow the light of the star (Jesus), however dangerous the journey. Our faith needs to be so strong that we are able to see and recognize our Lord in others and in any way He may present Himself to us. Through the adoration of the Three Magi, Christ is revealed to the whole world as the Son of God, calling all nations to Christianity. May the light of Christ continue to shine in your life giving you the courage and strength to share your faith and Christ’s love with others. Have a blessed 2018.
Patricia St. Amour, DFF

Religious Education classes for 2018 resume
Wednesday January 10th at 6:30 pm.

Sacrament Preparation/1st Reconciliation Parent &
Child Mtg. Wednesday Jan. 10th 6:30 pm

All other Faith Formation classes have resumed as normally scheduled. Check The Week Ahead for all information. It is not too late to join any of the classes.

Basic Faith Formation Classes

Saturdays Jan 13th – Mar. 3rd

9:00am – 3:00pm in Regina Caeli Room

Fr. Steve invites all catechists and those involved in other ministries to attend. Completion of all 5 Basic Classes earns Level I Catechist Certification. Call Patricia at the office to RSVP. Fee of \$30.00 pays for needed materials. You may pay at the door.



FALCON'S CORNER

Save the Date and Help Us Honor a Wonderful Supporter of Catholic Education!

The Office of Catholic Schools will hold its 2018 Celebrating Catholic Schools Dinner and Awards Ceremony on January 27, 2018, to recognize our Catholic schools and honor those who serve and support our schools. The purpose of this event is to recognize those individuals whose dedication enables schools to accomplish their missions and good works.

I am pleased to announce that this year’s nominee for St. Mary’s Catholic School will be Dr. Leslie Allen Barkis. Dr. Barkis has been a dedicated supporter of Catholic Education in Temple since 1996, when he and his wife, Dr. Penny Barkis, joined St. Luke Parish. He is a leader in his parish as well as in the Temple area medical community.

Dr. Barkis is a member of St. Mary’s Catholic School Trust Fund Board, where through his and other members tireless work, money is raised for the longevity of our fine school, in the area of tuition assistance and special projects. Dr. Barkis is also a member of Holy Trinity’s School Board, continuing the commitment to Catholic education Pre-K through 12th grade. Dr. Barkis has four wonderful children at St. Mary’s and Holy Trinity.

If you would like to join us to honor Dr. Barkis, for his dedication to Catholic Education, please call the school and make your reservation 254-778-8141.

Tickets are now on sale

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=3e3169>

As a kickoff to National Catholic Schools Week, the **10th Annual "Honor Roll" Awards Dinner** will be held on **Saturday, January 27, 2018**, at 6:00 p.m. at the *Hyatt at Town Lake* in Austin featuring **America's Next Top Model turned Role Model**, Leah Darrow. This annual semi-formal dinner honors the “unsung” heroes at each of our 22 Catholic schools and raises much needed funds for Catholic school families who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford a Catholic education for their child. Over \$900,000 has been returned to schools to increase accessibility to Catholic education for so many families. We are so appreciative of the generosity!! For more information please contact: Andrea Bizzanelli at (512) 949-2439 or andrea-bizzanelli@austindiocese.org

JAN 13th – JAN 14th, 2017

5:30 PM MASS

Lector: L. Chaffin
EM: C. & S. Guenat
Greeters: R. Beck, T. Mays
Altar Servers: A. Cantu, M. Cruz, L. Flores,
J. Naumann

7:30 AM MASS

Deacon: B. Rodriguez
Lector: M. Hoelscher
EM: R. & K. Oujezdsky
Greeters: H. Vavra, S. Motl, J. Edwards,
JT. & JR Maldonado
Altar Servers: A. & L. Federle, D. Nguyen

9:15 AM MASS

Lector: M. Guenat
EM: K. & J. Bartz
Greeters: B. & S. McAtee, T. Hodge,
D. Garza
Altar Servers: M. & D. Mikeska, G. Barbosa

11:00 AM MASS

Lector: R. Krumnow
EM: M. & K. Walters
Greeters: C. Wohleb, S. Rodriguez,
J. Oakes, D. Stolp
Altar Servers: S., K., J. & S. Jolly

Extraordinary Ministers to Homebound

Jan 14th, 2017

C/S Guenat, P/MA Everett, K/R Oujezdsky,
B. Richmond, K/J Bartz, Deacon Barney

JANUARY 8th TO JANUARY 14th

Monday **NO MASS**
Tuesday **12:10PM** Amadeo Castilleja
Wednesday **7:00AM †** Raymond Kubacak
Thursday **7:00AM †** Bob Kasberg
Friday **8:15AM** Sarah Jolly ~ Birthday
12:10PM † Steve Skaggs
Saturday **7:30AM** Marie Riley
4:00PM Confessions
5:30PM For the People
Sunday **7:30AM †** Rafael Rivera
9:15AM † Souls in Purgatory
11:00AM RJ Jolly ~ Birthday



Parish Job Opportunity ~ Christ the King

Full-time Parish Secretary:

Responsibilities include providing administrative support to the Pastor and the Director of Parish Operations, greeting visitors, handling phone calls, sorting mail and packages, and other front-line receptionist tasks. This position also prepares and manages the documentation requirements for the sacraments of baptism, marriage, funeral, as well as scheduling, recording and data entry. This position requires expertise in managing online facility and pastor calendars, publication software, and the full Microsoft Office suite. Spanish speaking required.

Director of Parish Operation:

Responsible for assisting the Pastor by managing parish finance, office, parish activities and their usage of the facilities of the parish in accordance with diocesan policies and guidelines.

Applicants should send resumes to fr.kim@ctkbelton.org.