

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 8, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 7 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, January 8 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, January 8 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
Roy and Beverly Bushey by Cathy Bourn**

Sunday, January 8 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent

Wednesday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent

Thursday - 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, January 14 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, January 15 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

**Sunday, January 15 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's
Ric Tanzi by Jacqueline Johnson**

Sunday, January 15 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

January 1 weekly collection: \$715 Christmas Flowers: \$330

Christmas Offering: \$556 Solemnity of Mary: \$197

Second Collection this week is for Fuel

Special Collection this week is for Catholic University

PRAY FOR SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Philip Lefebvre, Thomas Lupaczyk, Mark Hanks, Kate Nicholson, Maryann Robinson, Marguerite Pouliot, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Marie Quader, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvete, Mary Amistadi, Dylan Murray, Anne Marie Beliveau, Alicia Wieszorek, Emma Blais, George Yackowski, Donald Leblanc... and all those affected by the Corona virus.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Come to church 30 minutes before Mass to join in praying the Rosary each Sunday.



WINTER WEEKDAY MASSES

When conditions warrant Delays or School cancellations, there will be NO MASS also. In that case, Mass intentions will be transferred to the next available Mass. We value the lives of our parishioners. Stay Safe!

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...

January 15, 2023 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

ISAIAH 49:3,6 • 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-3 • JOHN 1:29-34

MARCH FOR LIFE REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED!

Register now to attend the 50th annual March for Life in Washington, DC on Friday, Jan. 20, 2023! **Registration deadline extended to whenever buses are full.** If you want to register, email aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org.

The **National Prayer Vigil for Life** (modified) and the **March for Life** in Washington, DC will be broadcast on EWTN television and can be viewed online at www.ewtn.com. Learn more at www.marchforlife.org. The **Masses for the National Prayer Vigil for Life** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC will be broadcast on EWTN television and at www.ewtn.com and also at the Basilica's webpage.

PRO-LIFE MORNING OF REFLECTION AND ENRICHMENT

Theme: The Holy Eucharist: Source of LIFE and LOVE ... Saturday, January 14, 2023, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m at the Cathedral of St. Paul, 38 High St., Worcester

9 DAYS FOR LIFE: JANUARY 19 – 27, 2023

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Participants can receive the novena by subscribing to daily emails or text messages. A printable version is available online at www.9daysforlife.com.

WORD OF LIFE

"Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world." — *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary*

Eucharistic Adoration

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration while Fr. Patrick is away. It will resume when he returns.

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." — Mt 2: 1b-2



2023 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

Religious Art Calendars for 2023 are available in the vestibule. Please feel free to take one or more home with you. These calendars are graciously provided each year by Boucher Funeral Home.

120 CLUB

The 2022 round of the 120 Club has ended. Week 19 winner was #87 Julie Columbus, and Week 20 winner was #66 Linda Columbus.

The final two weekly drawings will be announced next week, followed by the Winners of the final "Big Drawing" are:

First Prize, \$500, #22 Rosalind Lupaczyk; Second, \$200, #69 Bob Columbus; Third, \$100, #38 Ruth/Jim Alie; Fourth and Fifth, \$50, #111 Steve White and #13 Bettye McCrillis; Sixth through Ninth, \$25, #16 Barbara LeBlanc, #29 Shirley Murray, #76 Linda LeBlanc, and #34 Shirley Murray.

A new 120 Club will begin soon ... and there are open numbers available. If you are interested in a ticket for this parish fund-raiser, please speak to Linda Columbus. The 120 Club benefits our Parish Improvement Fund.

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

The need continues year-round in our community. Donations of non-perishable foods may be brought to church any Sunday, and will be delivered to the pantry. **Current needs include sugar, pudding cups, juice boxes, and diapers. Grocery store gift cards and cash donations are always appreciated.** Thank you to all who continue to contribute to the Pantry to help our neighbors in need.

The Templeton Food Pantry is located at the rear of the Templeton Senior Community Center, off Bridge Street in Baldwinville. It's open from 9 am - noon on Tuesdays; noon - 3 pm and 5 - 7 pm on Thursdays; and from noon - 3 pm on Saturdays. Anyone in need of food is welcome to visit this community resource.

THANK YOU!

A sincere "thank you" from our entire parish to all who contributed to our moving midnight Mass and entire Christmas season — those who cleaned and decorated the church, provided beautiful music, served at the altar, and donated funds for the flowers.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vattelle at 978-870-5646 or visit <https://wwmema.org/>.

What better gift can you give your spouse for Christmas than to tell them you want to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience together: Mar 10-12, 2023 in Upton, MA.

K OF C FREE THROW CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Basketball Free Throw Contest on Saturday, January 28th at The Clark Memorial Community Center on Central St. in Winchendon. This event is open to all boys and girls ages 9 thru 14. Registration starts at 11:45 am. Winners of their respective groups will move on to district, regional and state competition. Parental permission is required.



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Rosary

30 minutes before Sunday Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

During this pandemic, please contact the rectory at Holy Cross Church, 978-632-2121, for an appointment

Sacrament of Christian Marriage

Plans may be made by contacting the Pastor at least one year prior to the intended wedding date.

Ministry to the Sick and Elderly

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit the confined person and offer the sacraments of the Church.

Parish Registration

If you are new to the area, we welcome you to join our parish family. Please introduce yourself after Mass and register in the parish. We want to know and serve you.