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January 7, 2024 The Epiphany of the Lord

# Taking the Journey TOGETHER

## Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. -Ps. 72

Worship online at https://bit.ly/37n4LAu

### From the Church | January 7, 2024



**Increased reports of flu, cold, and COVID-19.** There are not many reports here at HT, but please be prudent when deciding whether to receive from the cup this season.



**Baptism Class.** If you want to baptize your child at Holy Trinity, please attend Baptism Class! The next class is on January 22, at 6 p.m. in the media center. Contact Mercedies at <u>mercediess@holytrinitydm.org</u> to register.



**New Opportunity.** The HT Faith Formation Committee will institute a new program in 2024 to provide meals for St. Joseph and Catholic Charities Family Shelter on the fourth Saturday of each month.

The first service opportunity is January 27. Prayerfully consider participating, and recruit friends and family to help! Register at <u>tinyurl.com/htstjoe</u> and contact Nick Bigelow at <u>bigelow.nick@gmail.com</u> for details.



#### Job and Volunteer Opportunities

**Parish Administrative Assistant** - Looking for a positive, dedicated, and service-oriented individual to be the first face of Holy Trinity Parish, provide administrative support to the parish office team, and complete various tasks in a fast-paced environment. Successful candidates can multi-task and work through multiple interruptions. Contact Mary Gisler at <u>maryg@holytrinitydm.org</u> to apply.

*Physical Education Teacher* - Do you have a strong educational background, solid organizational skills, superior communication skills, and leadership abilities? Submit a letter of interest, resume, three letters of recommendation, and copies of teaching licenses to Monica Morrison at <u>mmorrison@htschool.org</u>.

**Become a Kids Connection Team Associate!** Are you optimistic, energetic, and responsible? This is a flexible position with a competitive wage, great for education majors. Please contact Jenith Burry at 515.255.3162 ext. 127 or <u>iburry@htschool.org</u> for details.

#### Learn about all job opportunities on our website!

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Financial Blessings Ending Week of December 29, 2023				
Budget July 2023 through June 2024	\$958 <i>,</i> 558	YTD Surplus (Deficit)	(\$5,869)	
YTD Actual Tithing	\$469,641	Tithing for the Week	\$12,374	
YTD Budget	\$475,510	Number of Donations Received	55	



### From the Diocese & Community | January 7, 2024

**Man-Up West.** Ryland Jones, Army veteran and Dowling *Ut Fidem* Male Coordinator, joins Man-Up West Power Lunch in January.

Ryland will discuss his role with the young men at DCHS and his personal journey to the Catholic Church. Discover how Ryland and the *Ut Fidem* program are helping young men keep and grow their faith in high school and beyond.

Enjoy free lunch from Chick-fil-A on Friday, January 12, at Noon. Man-Up West is at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Visit <u>www.iowacatholicradio.com</u> to register.



Asking For Help Is Not Easy. Juggling work and home life is a chaotic hustle. Many people handle everything alone, take on every burden, expect others to read their minds, and know they desperately need help.

There is help and hope available! *Nourish for Caregivers* is for anyone juggling life, health, and career while caring for a disabled child, an aging parent, grandparent, or spouse. Find practical and emotional supports, shared experiences, and useful tools, all with a Christ-centered view.

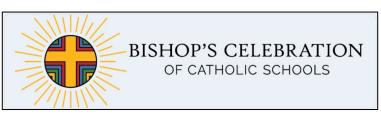
Discover the blessings of caring on Thursday, January 25, at 6 p.m. Come to the Archangels Meeting Room at St. Pius X. Use the east driveway off Douglas and enter the lower level east doors.

Contact Deacons Dan Maxcy (<u>danm@holytrintydm.org</u>) and Jim Houston (<u>jhouston@saintpiuschrurch.org</u>) for details.





**Game Night.** Join Young Catholic Singles for *Game Night* on Friday, January 26, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Sacred Heart. Play hard and enjoy pizza, snacks, and drinks. Learn more on Facebook at <u>https://bit.ly/3HbWnBX</u> or email <u>ycdmcatholicsingles@gmail.com</u> for details.



**Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools.** Nominate an outstanding teacher, administrator, and school volunteer! Nominations are due January 22, and the winners will be announced during Catholic Schools Week, January 29 through February 2. Spread the love and nominate someone special today at <u>https://bit.ly/3NbRYCE</u>.



### Epiphany of the Lord

**Christmas** - During the Christmas season from December 24th until the Sunday after Epiphany, we reflect upon the mystery of love that is made visible in the birth and early childhood of Christ.

#### Reading I : Isaiah 60:1-6 - Your light has come!

- The showing forth of God's glory is apparent in today's passage from Isaiah.
- All nations will walk by Jerusalem's light, the glory of God within it.
- The prophet announces to the people that even in the midst of darkness, they will forever be enlightened by the presence of God.

Reading II : Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 - We all share the same promise!

- The earliest Christians, mostly Jews, struggled with the realization that even Gentiles are included in God's plan of salvation.
- Today's letter points out that people in former ages did not understand that God's mercy extended to all people.
- Gentiles and Jews are one body in Christ.

**Gospel : Matthew 2:1-12** - They opened their coffers and presented him with gifts.

- Matthew's Gospel clearly demonstrates that all the prophecies of old have come to fulfillment in Christ.
- As promised, Gentile wise men recognize Jesus as Messiah even when the Jerusalem sages do not.
- The official priests and scribes quote the messianic prophecies that identify Bethlehem, the city of David's birth, as the birthplace of the Messiah. However, they do not follow their own wisdom.

Question for Children - In your life, who helps you to see Jesus in other people such as a classmate or a friend?

**Question for Youth** - The star guided the Magi to Jesus. What are the people or events who have guided you in your relationship with Jesus?

Question for Adults - How this past week did you demonstrate God's love at home and at work?

#### Saint of the Week - John Neumann, Bishop

After attending a diocesan seminary, John Neumann came to the United States from the Czech Republic. Soon after his arrival he was ordained a priest and served European immigrants on the frontier. He joined the Redemptorist Order and established many schools. Later, John was named bishop of Philadelphia. He encouraged religious orders to settle in the area. He also built a number of new parishes and began building a cathedral. His feast day is January 5.

John Neumann's goal was to have a school in every Catholic parish. This was very nearly realized by the middle of the twentieth century. While the numbers of schools has fallen in the years since, the need for educating our children in their faith remains as strong as ever.

Consider how you could use your talents in the Faith Formation program in your parish. Could you teach a grade? Be a classroom helper? Coordinate instruction schedules?



Visit lifelongcatechesis.osv.com for more information!

Parish Calendar   January 7, 2024							
	<b>Sunday</b> [1/7]	<b>Monday</b> [1/8]	Tuesday [1/9]	Wednesday [1/10]	Thursday [1/11]	<b>Friday</b> [1/12]	Saturday [1/13]
School				School Mass hosted by 5th Grade 8:30AM			Reminder: No School 1/15
Faith Formation			First Eucharist Meeting (SR) 6PM	First Eucharist Meeting (SR) 6PM FF & Edge Class 6:30PM			Sunday Reading Groups Men (MC) 7:30AM Women (CH) 8:30AM
Adult Faith Formation	Mass 8:30AM & 10:30AM	No Communion Service	Mass 8:30AM RCIA (CH) 6:30PM	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 8AM Adoration 2-9PM Rosary 4:05PM	Mass 8:30AM	Reconciliation 3-3:45PM Mass 4:30PM
More			SFO Meeting (MC) 6PM				
CH: Church   101-106: Classrooms   DC: Day Chapel   K: Kitchen   MC: Media Center   PO: Parish Office   SR: Social Room							

Upcoming Mass Schedule, Liturgy Schedule, and Intentions					
[1/7]	8:30AM	Mass	Michael Timmons		
	10:30AM	Mass	Tim Sheaff		
[1/9]	8:30AM	Mass	Father Al McCoy		
[1/10]	8:30AM	Mass	Ruth & Jim Wright		
[1/11]	8AM	Mass	Martin McGrane		
	2-9PM	Adoration	Adoration		
	4:05PM	Rosary			
[1/12]	8:30AM	Mass	Mass Jeanette Sperling		
[1/13]	3-3:45PM	Reconciliation	Reconciliation		
	4:30PM	Mass	Georgette Droessler		
[1/14]	8:30AM	Mass	Fahnlander Family		
	10:30AM	Mass	Elizabeth Green		

Saturday	Altar Servers	P.&M. Wolfe, M.Fiddelke, J.&N. Niday
[1/13]	Lectors	Todd Treese, Mary Sanders
4:30PM	ЕМНС	Team 2
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	C. Goode, J. Ernst, J. Hoodjer, & G. Kuenzel
[1/14]	Lectors	John Goode & Jean Severson
8:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 2
	Children's Liturgy	Breanna Castro
	Music Coordinator	Tom Quiner
Sunday	Altar Servers	V. Skeffington, R. George, B.&L. Caswell
[1/14]	Lectors	Teresa Baustian & Peggy Jones
10:30AM	ЕМНС	Team 1
	Children's Liturgy	Margaret Toomey, Erik Altman
	Music Coordinator	Frances Paterik

Upcoming Liturgical Ministers and Altar Servers

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