### **Mass Intentions This Week**

Saturday, December 24, 2016

4:00 PM †Kathleen Barnwell-Barnwell Family

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11:00 PM Saint Patrick Parishioners' (pro populo)

Sunday, December 25, 2016

10:00 AM †Carol Kelly-Kelly Family

†Ben Allison—Marj Alberts

Tuesday, December 27, 2016

12:10 PM †Richard Vicario-Jeanne, Vicki, Diana

Thursday, December 29, 2016

7:00 PM †Carol Kelly-Kelly Family

Saturday, December 31, 2016

4:00 PM PM †Fr. Patrick L. Sheridan-Peggy Sheridan

Sunday, January 1, 2017

10:00 AM Saint Patrick Parishioners' (pro populo)

Additional Masses at St Mary of Woods: Saturday, 6:00 PM and Sunday, 8:00 AM; Wed. 7:00 PM and Fri., 12:10 AM.

Parish Offering Weekend: Dec. 18, 2016 NO REPORT

Weekend Mass Attendance: NO REPORT

# LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

December 31, 2016, 4:00 pm

Mus/Can: Judy Wells, Julie Quay, Aaron Dunn Servers: Ruth & Connor Eckstein, Daniel Dinovo

Lec/Read: Wendy Miller, Becky Meyer

Extra Mins: Ida Frederick, Mary Giannola, Rose Lyons

January1, 2017, 10:00 am

Mus/Can: Leanna George, Mary Foust, Kathy LeVan

Servers: Gabby, Caitlin, Chloe Stolly Lec/Read: Bill O'Connor, Bob Rhoades

Extra Mins: Kelly Steggeman, Mary Woolf, Shirley Fromm

Commissions: Finance/Stewardship, Keith Krieger, 599.5306 Property Maintenance & Development, Tim O'Rielley, 593.2365

PARISH PRAYER LINE: Tammy Bauer, 937.441.0645

#### Marriage, Youth & Family News

This Midnight Mass Gospel reading opens the season of Christmas. God kept his promise and sent a Savior into the

Rest in the Peace of Christ: Father Patrick Sheridan, our beloved pastor and our parishioners: Bernadette Bensman, Michael Fitzpatrick, Michael Tynan, Shirley Jorgensen, Kathleen A. Wilcoxon, John Entelisano and Patricia Woolf, who passed on to glory and are remembered with love and held in our prayers.

world, and the Glory of God couldn't have been any brighter and more glorious, according to St. Luke. We learn that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and that he was born into a poor family. This Gospel reminds us, tenderly, that we have the same hope and the same promise that the angels celebrated. We have a new relationship with a loving God through this intimate birth of a tiny boy. Luke 2:1,3-7a,8-14(Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families 2016-17)

On the Way Home Did anyone notice that Jesus wasn't born in his hometown and there were no friends to welcome him? (Celebrating Sunday's for Catholic Families 2016 -17, LTP)

Caroling - Wednesday Dec. 28 to Homebound and Elderly of the Parish. We will meet at Makley Hall at 6:30, wear warm clothing and bring a flash light. Music sheets will be provided. Afterwards we will continue our celebration with cookies and hot chocolate.



Gratitude, Hope, Joy? By Fr. Rob Waller There are three beautifully wrapped gifts on a table in front of you. One has a tag marked, "Gratitude." Another is tagged, "Hope." The third is, "Joy." Answer quickly, without thinking. Ready? Without thinking, answer, "Which gift has God given to you this year?" Those three wrapped gifts from God: which one would you like for God to give to someone else at Christmas?

MASS INTENTIONS: Please, fill out the form below and drop in the collection basket or mail to the office. There is a \$5 stipend for each Mass requested. PLEASE, PRINT! Intention:

#### RENEWAL

May the RENEWING God be with you, recreating, enlivening, filling you with God's own life. As you claim this life, cherish it and allow it to grow, and celebrate it with "thank you" forever etched upon your heart. With love may you call others to be renewed and refreshed. May the blessing of the RENEWING God be upon you.

Maxine Shonk, OP

## CHRISTMAS ONLY BEGINS ON DECEMBER 25TH.

Pope Francis expressed in his Dec. 2 homily – "Christmas isn't just a temporal celebration or the memory of a beautiful; Christmas is more...Christmas is an encounter!"

In order to highlight the entire season of Christmas, we are hosting a giveaway that will end when the season of Christmas ends, on January 12th, 2014

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (592-9455)

Hours.: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Tues. & Thurs.;

5:00-7:00 p.m., Wed.

Dates: Clients: NO REPORT

Money spent on assistance: \$

**Items Needed:** 

THANK YOU



# **Christmas Blessings**

Father Shawn Landenwitch

May all of you and your families have a blessed and Merry Christmas! To all those visiting our parish this Christmas, may you have a blessed visit and safe travels!

The birth of Jesus Christ into human history at Christmas is a tremendous source of joy in our lives. It reminds us that our God loves us dearly and desires to be with us. On our part, we are called to love Him in response. This relationship of love is essential to our lives; it is in fact the purpose for which we were created. Life is richer and fuller when we embrace that relationship!

I would like to welcome in a particular way those visiting us who have fallen away from the regular practice of the faith. I invite all of you to consider coming back to the practice of the faith! Fully initiated Catholics can return by making a good sacramental confession. For non-Catholics or Catholics that have not received Baptism, Confirmation or 1st Communion, I invite you to contact the parish office for information on initiation into the Church.

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God December 31, 2016, Vigil Mass 4:00 PM January 1, 2017, 10:00 AM

Solemnity the Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2017, 4:00 PM January 8, 2017, 10:00 AM January 8, 2017, 6:00 PM, Epiphany Vespers