



# Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish

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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday, 8:30 am – 6:45 pm,  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:30 am – 6:00 pm,  
Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, Closed Saturday & Sunday

### Rosary (in the Ursuline Chapel):

Sunday at 8:30 am  
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday at 11:30 am  
Tuesday, Thursday at 8:30 am



**Wednesday 11:45 am to 12:45 pm**

**Saturday after 4:00 pm Mass**

**Sunday, 9:45 am to 12:15 pm**

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## January 3, 2016 Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

### Mass Schedule

#### Monday, January 4

12:00 pm (DF) Marie Lanko, by Mary McCarthy,  
Daughter

#### Tuesday, January 5

8:00 am (SR) Cresencia Sta. Ana, by the Sweet Family

#### Wednesday, January 6

12:00 pm (DF) Frank Zolar, by Sister

#### Thursday, January 7

8:00 am (MH) Robert C. Luberger, by Wife

#### Friday, January 8

12:00 pm (JC) Dorothy Belavich, by Family

#### Saturday, January 9

4:00 pm (SG) Jerome Macala, by Wife

#### Sunday, January 10

9:00 am (SG) Bill Preston, by 9:00 am Ushers

11:00 am (SG) Fred Dorazio, by Family

6:00 pm (JC) Robert P. Marzano, by John & Gerrie  
Sexton

### This week at the Parish

#### Monday, January 4

- 12:30 pm Miraculous Medal Novena
- 6:30 pm Legion of Mary

#### Tuesday, January 5

- 9:00 am Parish the Pounds
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir

#### Thursday, January 8

- 7:00 pm Areopagus
- 7:00 pm Choir Practice
- 7:00 pm Families in Christ

#### Saturday, January 9

- 9:00 am Men's Group
- 9:00 am Women's Fellowship
- 7:00 pm A.A.

#### Sunday, January 10

- 9:30 am PSR
- 10:00 am RCIA



**Welcome** to our parish...we are a community founded in a spirit of unity to serve our God through loving HIM and one another, always!

## GOODFELLOW BLOG

Brothers and Sisters,

We are still celebrating the season of Christmas, and today we have the privilege of celebrating the feast of the **Epiphany**. 'Epiphany' means 'manifestation' or 'appearance.' The event of the Epiphany revolves around the 'appearance' of Christ to the Magi, who were pagans and Gentiles (non-Israelites). They see the star, and it draws them to Christ. This event opens up our understanding of salvation with a profound insight: **salvation radiates outward from within Israel and draws the entire world back in as God's own**. Think of it like this: you are walking along one day and hear beautiful music playing in the distance. It draws your interest so much that you drop what you are doing and redirect your steps so that you are now following this music. **The star is the natural beauty of this world that shines in Israel with such supernatural radiance that it draws these pagan Magi from what they were doing and redirects them to worship and adoration of the true God.**



Israel had been prepared by God in her Law and Prophets to become a light to draw in all nations. "All nations shall stream toward it" says Isaiah (2:2). We see this magnetizing effect happening as the pagan Magi from the East approach the manger, guided by a star. The fullness of salvation found in Jesus draws the Magi toward him as this salvation 'manifests' itself to them. Their natural light of reason (following astrological signs of the star) is opened up from above by a supernatural light of salvation (with the Epiphany of Jesus Christ). They leave the manger changed forever. **Now the Magi know that salvation is not to be found in pagan pursuits, but in and through Israel.** Jesus becomes the focal point of all of Israel's history, and thereby the focal point of all creation as it is drawn in through Israel.

**Can you pinpoint moments of Epiphany in your own life?** When did salvation from above 'appear' in the midst of your everyday life? When did you discover that here, in the Church, salvation is offered that you can find nowhere else? These moments might be big or small. **Some buzzwords for these epiphanies are 'conversion,' 'repentance,' life-change.'** These epiphanies might catch us off guard, but they help us grow by realizing that only in Christ can we truly find our hope of salvation. Alcoholics Anonymous knows about epiphanies very well. So do all sinners who are now saints. They have turned away from false worship of the idols of wealth, pleasure, power, and honor to right worship of the living God. **When did you turn from "all these things [which] the pagans seek" (Matthew 6:32) to the redemption offered to you in Jesus?** What parts of your life still await an epiphany? Pray for an epiphany over these areas of your life, and they will not be long in coming.

Happy New Year!

Fr. Scott Goodfellow

## Spiritual & Community

### PSR NEWS

Our classes will resume on Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 am. If you are interested in learning more about our PSR program, please contact Gail Monroe, 216.731.1515, extension 248 or [gmonroe@srweuclid.cc](mailto:gmonroe@srweuclid.cc)

### Women's Fellowship

The Women's Fellowship meets on the second Saturday of every month from 9:00 am—11:00 am in the Upper Hall of the school. At our next meeting on January 9th, we will gather to "Encounter the Divine." Fun, fellowship, and a chance to meet new people are just some of the perks. Please join us at any of our gatherings and bring a friend! For more information, please call Marcia Granito, 216.570.7667, or Pam Mignona, 440.494.7210.

### Annulments, Marriage, and the First Step

Picking up the pieces of one's life after divorce is an area that can impact one's relationship with God and the Church. "What is my place in the Church? Can I go to Mass and communion? Can the Church help me heal? If I decide to marry again, what do I have to do?" The **First Step Program** helps individuals with these questions, especially those who have experienced divorce. Participants will learn about the Church's *teaching* on marriage, divorce, and remarriage, and *ministry* to the divorced and separated, hear about the annulment process and submitting a case (**no fees required**), and discover a path to healing. The schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, 8 March 2016, at St. Peter Parish, Lorain, at 7:00 pm
- Thursday, 19 May 2016, at St. Noel Parish, Willoughby Hills, at 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, 13 September 2016, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Cuyahoga Falls, at 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, 18 October 2016, at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7:00 pm

For more information, please visit [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal)  
or call the Tribunal: 216.696.6525 / 800.869.6525 ext. 4000

## Donuts With Santa



## Caring & Participating

### Baby Corner

The West Side Catholic Center and Birthright extend a grateful thank you to all who donated in 2015. The bassinet will be in the vestibule next weekend for donation of new or gently used baby items for infants to 18 months of age. As always, diapers are greatly needed. May God richly bless your generosity.

### EPIPHANY SUNDAY



Epiphany Sunday is always a joyous time in the Church. The story of the Magi as recorded in the Gospel of Matthew is one with which we usually become familiar when we are young. This day is filled with symbolism; it is filled with stewardship.

The prophet Isaiah perhaps more than any other of the prophets anticipated the coming of Christ. He foresaw details about the coming of the Messiah which are uncanny in their accuracy. It is almost as if Isaiah foresaw the glory of Christ's Epiphany. "Rise up in splendor... Your light has come... Then shall you be radiant at what you see." The light of Christ has shone and is shining upon us. However, we are to do more than just bask in it. We are to be "radiant at what we see." This is the call to stewardship; we are to take that light, that Good News, and we are to share it and spread it.

Biblical scholars are of the opinion that St. Paul wrote his letter to the Ephesians (from which our Second Reading is drawn) during a time when he was under house arrest in Rome. Note that he was not in prison. At that time "house arrest" meant you could move easily around your house during the day under the watchful eyes of soldiers, but could not leave. At night you were chained to a soldier who slept next to you.

Paul speaks of being a steward of God's grace. You might say he realizes that he is not a prisoner of the Romans, but a "prisoner" of the Lord. He has felt and realized the light of Christ referenced by Isaiah, and he has spent his apostolic life as a disciple, as one who has indeed been a steward and shared the glory he has realized.

The Apostle Luke provided us with a detailed accounting of Christ's birth in Bethlehem. The visit of the Magi would seem to have occurred some time, perhaps even months, after the Lord's nativity. Their trek and visit is only mentioned in the Gospel of Matthew. Much has been written and surmised in relation to who they were, and the significance of their journey and visit.

For us as stewards it is important to take note of two aspects of this story. When Jesus was born, it was first revealed to humble and plain shepherds. The revelation for those considered more honorable and learned, namely, the Magi, occurred much later. Another perspective is that Jesus came to the poor first, and then the rich. The point is that He came and comes to everyone, each one of us as well.

An "Epiphany" is, as normally used, a revelation. The revelation in this case, for us, and for the Magi, is the realization not only of the divinity of the Lord, but also the fact that Jesus came as the Savior of all. Those first shepherds who approached and worshiped Jesus were Jews; these Magi were Gentiles. We need to respond to this revelation, just as the Magi did.

They could have merely admired the glorious star which they saw in the sky and philosophized as to what it was and what it meant. However, they did more than that. They acted. We, too, are called to act through stewardship. We are called to more than just follow the Light of Christ. We are called to respond and to act and to do something to show that we are indeed disciples. That would make us, too, wise. (The Catholic Steward)

# Faith Formation



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## LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION for all Generations

### Heard it in the Hallway

READERS ARE MADE ON THE LAPS OF THEIR PARENTS (AND GRANDPARENTS)!

In First Grade, now that we *are* readers, we work to become *longer, stronger, better* readers. In centers we increase our fluency, accuracy, comprehension, and stamina. It is hard work for us, but we work at it each day because practice makes perfect. In Religion we used our reading skills to learn about Jesus. Throughout the month of December we learned about Jesus' family by completing our Jesse Tree. We read about a lot of people in the Old Testament like Jacob and Esau, Joshua, Ruth, Solomon, and Esther to name a few. Plus, we read the New Testament stories about Elizabeth and Zachariah, and Joseph and Mary. We already know how important our families are, so it was fun to learn more about Jesus' family and see how important they are.

### Worthy Warrior



There are so many wonderful First Graders it is hard to pick just one. This week's Worthy Warrior is Raegan Kvoriak. Raegan is a great student academically. She always completes her work and follows directions. She takes responsibility for her learning and progress. Raegan is a good citizen in the classroom as well. Raegan can be counted on to make good choices and help those around her. She uses kind words and tries to be a friend to everyone. She is respectful of the teachers and is always the first one to follow the rules. She always comes to school with a smile and an eagerness to cooperate and get the job done.

### SRW Catholic School Open House

Experience first-hand the awesome learning and growing going on daily at Ss. Robert and William Catholic School! Stop by the school during Catholic Schools' Week Open House on Sunday, January 31, 2016 from 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm. Tour the school, visit the classrooms, meet the teachers and staff, see awesome displays of students' creations, and learn about our unique program. All parishioners, families, friends, and neighbors are welcome. We love to show off the wonderful things happening at SRW!

### Kaleidoscope Days

If Preschool, Prekindergarten, or Kindergarten is in your child's future, join Ss. Robert and William Catholic School for Kaleidoscope Days. Take a peek into a day at our school! Tour the school, meet the teachers, and experience first-hand our safe and engaging educational environment. Parents and prospective students are welcome to visit the classrooms on the following Fridays in February 2016: 2/5, 2/12, 2/19 and 2/26 anytime between 8:30 - 10:00 am.

# Stewardship & Evangelization

Thank you very much for your generosity in the holiday collections. We received \$10,080.95 in the December 20th collection . Figures for December 27th will be in next week's bulletin. - Fr. Scott



Why not make a change in the way you generously support Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish? Sign up with eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff. To enroll, please visit Faith Direct's website [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our parish code OH298. You can also fill out and mail a Faith Direct enrollment form available at the parish office.

## Vision 2020

Total Amount Pledged:	\$449,248	Amount Paid to Date:	\$270,332
Total Due:	\$178,916	Total Number of Donors:	205
Loan Balance:	\$1,456,179	Monthly Loan Payment:	\$10,580

Please consider a 5-year pledge to Vision 2020 to retire our debt and work towards financial stability. You may also consider designating money to Vision 2020 in your estate planning. For more information or to make a pledge, please call Ellen at the Parish Office at 216.731.1515 or email her at [eivory@srweuclid.cc](mailto:eivory@srweuclid.cc).

### 50 Days of Holiday Cash Winners

\$50 – January 2:	Tom Ward
\$50 – January 1:	Eric Shadrach sold by Christina Parker
\$50 - December 31:	L. Shenk sold by N. Udics
\$50 - December 30:	Brent Price sold by Chandler Barton
\$50 - December 29:	Thearrel McKinney sold by Dave Schaefer
\$50 - December 28:	Anthony Patti, Jr. sold by Charlie Buzdon
\$50 - December 27:	Marco DiPasquale sold by Gianna DiPasquale
\$50 - December 26:	Barb Cvelbar sold by Chase Clark
\$50 - December 25:	Art Melton sold by Nic Ramsey

*Happy Anniversary, Ss. Robert & William Parish!*

## 2015 Offertory Statements

If you would like to request your 2015 Offertory statement, please complete the statement request attached and either drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office. Requests may also be made by calling the parish office at 216.731.1515.

### **Please Note:**

Statements will only be issued upon request and will be available at the end of January.

Vision 2020 statements will be mailed automatically. Faith Direct statements are generated and mailed out from Faith Direct.

### PLEASE SEND ME A 2015 OFFERTORY STATEMENT

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope Number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date Requested \_\_\_\_\_

**(Please send request to the parish office).**

## **PRAYERS NEEDED**

**Please Pray for...**Jeanette Hocevar, Amanda, Ken Osborne, Sheila Creegan, Alda Kovalsky, Todd Deranek, Jean Feiten, Nick Strmac, Alice Slokar, Ronald Kessler, Marianne Ellul, Geraldine Hoffert, Gerri Sexton, Richard Galaida, Dennis Whitticar, Rich Weybrecht, Fr. John D. Betters, Janet Cika, Pauline Dutcher, Elaine Jackson, Kevin Tobin, Joseph DiTirro and all those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit in our community.

**We Thank and Pray** for those who serve in the Military. God bless them for their service to our country.

**Our deepest sympathy** to the families of those who have died, especially Mary Cefaratti and Jean Latkovic. May they know the peace and comfort of God's love and find strength in the support of family and our parish community.



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## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**  
1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;  
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday: St. John Neumann**  
1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday: Christmas Weekday**  
1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;  
Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday: Christmas Weekday**  
1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;  
Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday: Christmas Weekday**  
1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday: Christmas Weekday**  
1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
- Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord**  
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4,  
3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30;  
Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7;  
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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