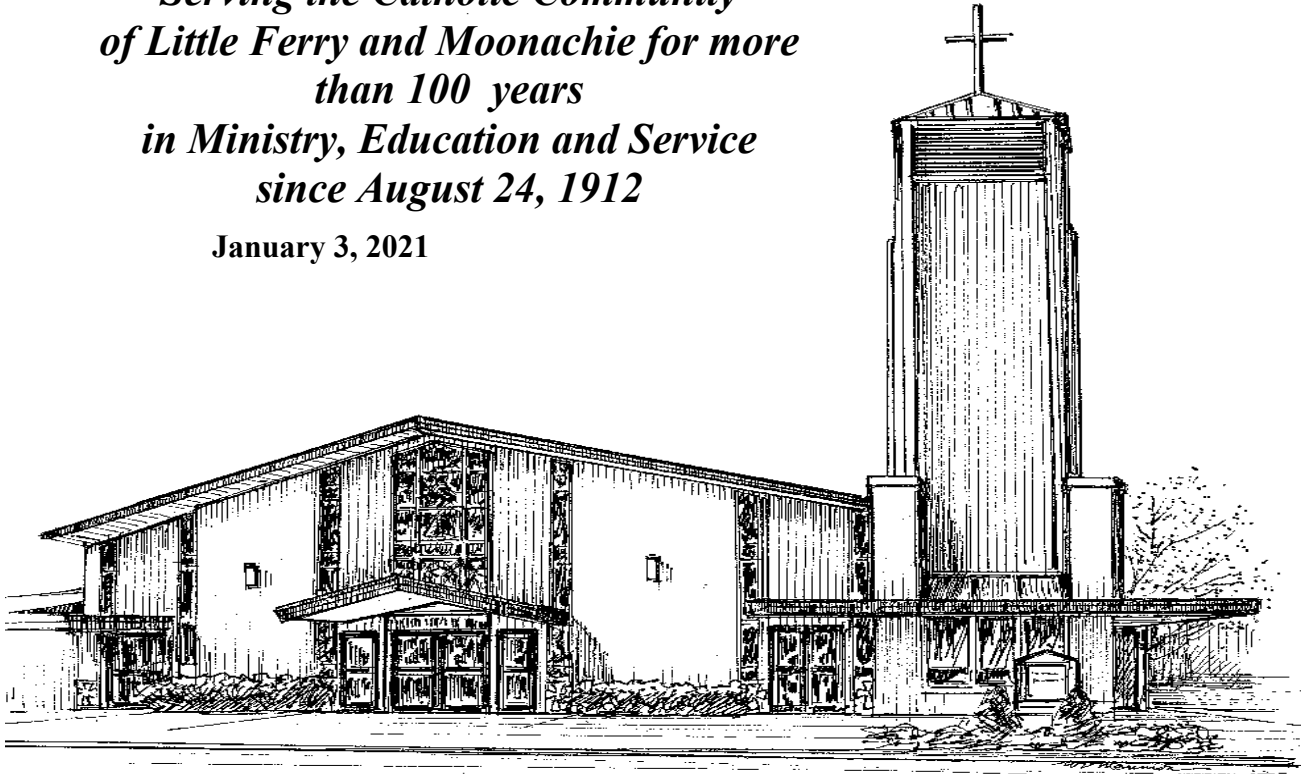


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MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
Weekdays: Monday to Friday: 12:05 PM

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 P.M.

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The Holy Eucharist for this Week

SATURDAY, January 2

12:05 PM Saint Margaret Mass Guild
5:30 PM Evelyn Zienkiewicz

SUNDAY, January 3, 2021

Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 AM Suzanna Scardino Olear
10:00 AM Caterina Hroncich
12:00 PM Patrick Pansini

MONDAY, January 4

12:05 PM Eugene De Martino

TUESDAY, January 5

12:05 PM John Bussanich

WEDNESDAY, January 6

12:05 PM Silvia & Mauro Raguseo

THURSDAY, January 7

12:05 PM Teresita Meyer

FRIDAY, January 8

12:05 PM Josephine Bracco

SATURDAY, January 9

5:30 PM Martha Mudry

SUNDAY, January 10

Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM Ignazio Tatulli
10:00 AM Ann Meyer
12:00 PM Sergio Passaro



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Memorials Bread & Wine People of Our Parish Family

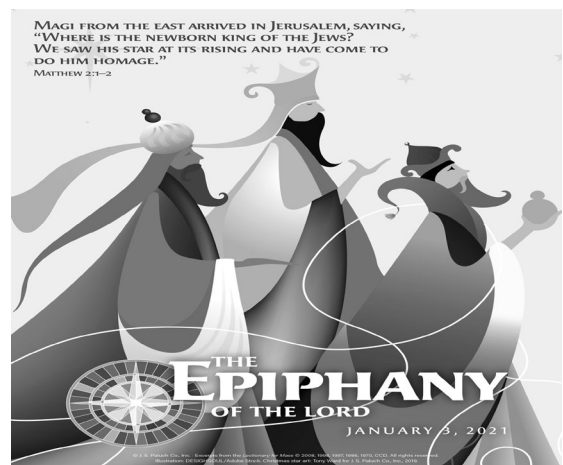
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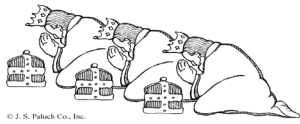
THE HOLY STAR

O Father, may that holy star
Grow every year more bright
And send its glorious beams
afar
To fill the world with light.
—William Cullen Bryant

GENTLENESS

Feelings are everywhere—
be gentle.
—J. Masai





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January 3, 2021**

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PROMISE FULFILLED

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm – Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading – The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel – Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).



**SAINTS AND SPECIAL
OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week**

Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Tuesday: St. John Neumann

Wednesday: St. André Bessette

**Thursday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
Julian Calendar Christmas**

FEAST OF FAITH

The Liturgy of Emmanuel

The assembly has gathered from near and far, on foot, by bus, by car, by ;l single people, couples, families. Now that movement is ritualized and made visible in the liturgy's entrance procession.

We are not alone on this journey; Christ is with us. The procession is led by the cross, with the image of Christ upon it. Candles, signs of a living presence, are carried around the cross. Candles also accompany the Book of the Gospels, another sign of Emmanuel, God-with-us. The priest presider is likewise a sign of Christ's presence in our assembly; he will act in persona Christi, in the person of Christ, who presides at every Eucharist.

As the procession begins, we stand and sing together in our first act as a community. The joining of our voices begins to turn many into one. The songs we sing range from ancient chants to contemporary hymns, but they have the same purpose, to foster our unity and turn our thoughts to the mysteries we gather to celebrate. We may feel that we can't sing well, but "Christ always invites us to enter into song, to rise above our own preoccupations, and to give our entire selves to the hymn of his Paschal Sacrifice" (USCCB, Sing to the Lord, 14).



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**We lift up to the Lord
in our prayers and
good works for: the
sick, frail and the
homebound.**

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| Shirley Pizza | John McConnell |
| Catherine Mary Moncello | Baby AmaJordan |
| Camilla Leventhal | Julian Morgan |
| Nicole Grano | Michel Porta |
| Johanna Hanush | Giovanna Careri |
| Lena Vitale. | Grace Ehler |
| John Thomas Lazur Dersch | Julio Sanchez |
| Robert Zienkiewicz | Arline Hrbek |
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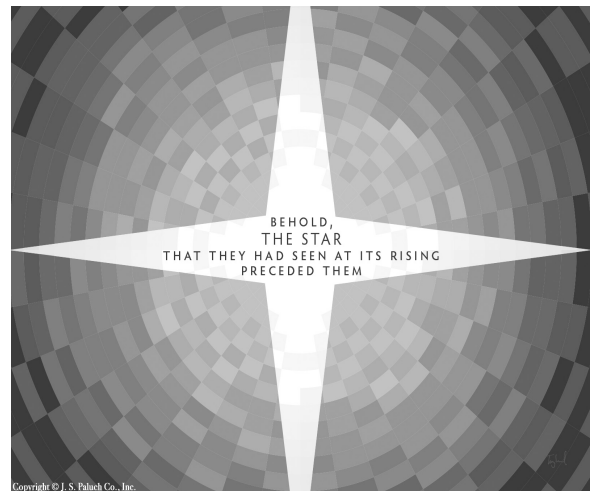
Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions and for all those victims who suffered and lost their loved ones, under the COVID-19 pandemic.



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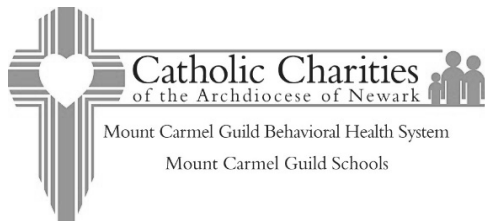
FOOD PANTRY

The weekend of January 16th and 17th will be our Parish Food Pantry collection. Items can be dropped off at church after any Mass, and placed in the empty room outside of the restroom. We are in need of items people cannot buy with food stamps, such as laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, and personal hygiene products. We are also in need of coffee and cold/hot cereals. Please note: At this time we are *not* in need of canned vegetables. The Pantry will be open on Wednesday, January 20th for those who qualify. The hours are from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The wonderful generosity of our parishioners every month is very much appreciated by those we try to serve



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Catholic Charities received a payment of \$1,357 as a result of your donations from June 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020. These funds combined with monies from parishes throughout the Archdiocese enabled Catholic Charities to provide 72,685 nights of shelter to 1,342 to homeless individuals and families (FY 19/20). Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.



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