FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The first reading for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, on January 1, from the Book of Numbers, was a beautiful and poetic blessing. One of the most ancient blessings in the Bible, the reading calls attention to the active blessings of the Lord. However, the reading does not mention whether the recipient or the recipients were aware of the blessings.

In our own lives the same awareness or lack thereof, is probably true. We, certainly, recognize some blessings from the Lord and do not recognize others. We recognize people at times as a blessing from the Lord and at other times do not.

Perhaps, in the year 2020, we might make our New Year's resolution to see more clearly the blessings the Lord pours forth upon us. That means that we will also be more aware of the people in our lives who are blessings.

The Lord is kind and merciful and graciously pours forth blessings upon us. To be able to recognize those blessings would certainly make 2020 not only a year of vision, but one that would lead to gratitude.

Happy New Year! Father Rick

HANK YOU

PARISH NEWS

CCY BASKET RAFFLE THANK YOU! To all those who donated baskets, bought and sold tickets for this annual fundraiser that supports our monthly CCY activities, we are so grateful for your kindness and generosity. The winners were: Local Wine Tour Basket, Donna Fry; Chocolate Heaven, Carla Gutting; Coach Tote, Jennifer Hoffman; Air Fryer, Carol Barnickel; Lottery Wreath, Karen Wingard; Cookie Tree, Susan Rohlin; Wine Lover's Basket, Margaret Morrison; Feed the Birds, Patty Tack; Cozy Morning Coffee, Mary DeFabio; Coffee Lovers Basket, Rita Freeborough; Home Décor Basket, Amy Flaisman; Cheerful Snow-

men, Pat Williams; Vera Bradley Tote & More, Gini Greenwald.

SEAT FOR A STUDENT CAMPAIGN: Thank you so much to the following who generously supported Faith Formation this fall with donations to support our programming and upgrades to student areas. The youth and adult catechetical teams as well as the students are incredibly grateful for your support and loving hearts: David & Melissa Becker, John & Pat Carlson, Lee & Laura Chew, Catherine & Charles Ditz, Dean & Lisa Huya, Mary Kopf, June Napolitan, Rosann Paul, Jonette & Harry Steele, Larry & Anne Tyers, Mr & Mrs Bruno Vavala, Stella Wenzel, Jerry & Ann Wortman, Jim & Kim Wynn and Special Olympics.

Also thank you to Suzanne Waddell who generously donated to the Seat Campaign in memory of her son, Keith Waddell.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK Watts Commercial Furniture & Design 217 Liberty Street 814-723-9140 Please patronize the sponsors of our bulletin. It is through the paid advertising of the sponsors that we can publish the bulletin. Please Thank Them

MOVIE NIGHT

MOVIE NIGHT CHANGE! The showing of UNPLANNED has been moved to January 12th in Meyer Hall at Saint Joseph at 6:30 pm. Please plan to attend this very important movie and please plan to support our young adults in attending. Bring your own young adults, your Confirmation candidate, your young adult grandchildren - bring them and support them in this incredibly important message for our world! EVERY LIFE MATTERS AND EVERY LIFE SHOULD BE RESPECTED AND PROTECTED! Refreshments will be served.

March for Life 2020

The Knights of Columbus & Catholic Churches of Warren County invite you to join the March for Life 2020 in Washington DC on Friday, January 24th. Thursday, January 23rd there will be a Holy Hour at Holy Redeemer Church at 9:15pm and the bus will leave at 10:45pm. The estimated return time is Friday at 11:30pm. Reserve your spot today by contacting Jenn Wortman at 688-3842 or email her at jenniferwortman7400@gmail.com or you can call the Parish Office. The cost is \$50.00 for Adults and \$25.00 for Youth. Let's fill the bus!

CCY JANUARY 12TH

CCY BABY SHOWER FOR the WOMEN'S CARE CENTER. Grades 5-12 join Anna for fellowship and shower food and games as we shower the Women's Care Center with love. Bring a baby gift for the center and meet baby Rose, Anna & Scott's newest bundle of joy! January 12th at 5:15- 6:20 pm in Meyer Hall at Saint Joseph.

NCYC REFLECTIONS: "I loved the Friday night Adoration. It felt amazing and was the most moving part of the weekend for me. I have an even stronger trust in my faith now. My experience has also encouraged me to read the Bible and pray more."



SACRISTANS NEEDED. If anyone is interested in serving as a sacristan for School Masses, Funerals, or Sunday Masses please call the Parish Office. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS-

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month: Trafficking of youth is a form of modern slavery. It includes both sex trafficking and forced labor. Any child under age 18 engaged in commercial sex is a victim of sex trafficking, even if the youth's participation is not forced or coerced. Be aware of recruiting tactics. Traffickers target victims through social media sites, telephone chat lines, afterschool programs, at shopping malls, bus depots, clubs/bars or through friends and acquaintances. To help protect your child, ask questions about your child's friends, monitor their computer use and know where he/she hangs out. For more information on protecting our youth from human trafficking or to report suspected trafficking visit:

https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/trafficking_ts_2019.pdf. Visit https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 1/5	Epiphany of the Lord	
8:00am	(St Luke) Living & Decease	

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Daughters of America #834

10:45am Living & Deceased Members of Saint Joseph Parish

Monday, 1/6 Saint André Bessette

12:00pm (St Luke) Florence Scalise by Chuck & Diane Hayes

Tuesday, 1/7 Saint Raymond of Peñafort

12:05pm Donna Ponick by Frank & Mary Ann Papalia

Wednesday, 1/8 Christmas Weekday

9:05am Jennie Colosimo by Mary, Patti & Bob2:00pm (Mass) Rouse Home Rose Halle by Family

Thursday, 1/9 Christmas Weekday

12:05pm Carolyn Graziano by Altar Rosary Society

Friday, 1/10 Christmas Weekday

8:00am Sister Kathleen Hagan by Nick Tomassoni

Saturday, 1/11 Christmas Weekday

5:30pm Jeanette Walstrom by Sherri Suppa

Sunday, 1/12 Baptism of the Lord

8:00am (St Luke) Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish

10:45am Bob Gatto by Jim & Halina Carbon

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	Extraordinary Ministers	<u>Altar Servers</u>
1/11 5:30pm	A Fadale	D Geiger, J Anderson, N Berardi, J Zavinski, G & P Peck, J Caumban-Lim	O Strandburg A Strandburg J Wilson
1/12 8:00am	S Kibbey	L Marino, C Knapp	R Nuhfer
1/12 10:45am	Bill/ Peggy Morgan	G Grosch, C Feaster, A Kirkpatrick, M Kirkpatrick, E Keeney, J Hausmann, D Pusateri	G Wortman I Wortman E Strausser

1/12 Mass Ushers –Becky & Bob Pangallo 1/8 Mass Rouse Home—Fr Rick, M Donahue, J Bosko

<u>WEEKLY SANCTURAY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF</u> Deceased Members of the Zdarko, & Zarnick Families by Dan & Maryann Zdarko

In your charity please pray for the soul of Roseclaire Curren, who passed away this week and Kelly Seymour who passed away recently. We extend our sympathy to their families and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering-December 28th & 29th

Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering -\$5559.56 Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering- \$708.00 Saint Joseph Church Holy Day—\$1714.20 Saint Luke Church Holy Day—\$85.00

Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1 John 3:22—4:6; Gospel Matthew 4:12-17,23-25

Tuesday 1 John 4:7-10; Gospel Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday 1 John 4:11-18; Gospel Mark 6:45-52

Thursday 1 John 4:19—5:4; Gospel Luke 4:14-22a

Friday 1 John 5:5-13; Gospel Luke 5:12-16

Saturday 1 John 5:14-21; Gospel John 3:22-30

Sunday Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Gospel Matthew 3:13-17

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 5

8:00am (St Luke) Mass

9:15am EDGE & CREW @ HR

10:45am Mass

Monday, January 6

12:00pm (St Luke) Mass

Tuesday, January 7

12:05pm Mass

4:30pm Soup Kitchen

6:00pm Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)

Wednesday, January 8

9:05am School Mass

10:30am Faith Share (Meyer Hall)
2:00pm Mass at Rouse Home

6:00pm Webelo/Arrow of Light Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)

Thursday, January 9

12:05pm Mass

12:30pm Eucharistic Adoration (Mother's Chapel)
 5:15pm Chasity Program Meeting (Meyer Hall)
 7:15pm Evening Prayer (Mother's Chapel)

Friday, January 10

8:00am Mass

Saturday, January 11

4:30-5:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30pm Mass

Sunday, January 12

8:00am (St Luke) Mass

8:15am 4th Grade Retreat @ HR 9:15am EDGE & CREW @ HR

10:45am Mass

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Take down Christmas Decorations after Mass 5:15-6:20pm CCY Youth Group (Meyer Hall)

6:30pm Showing of the Movie *Unplanned* (Meyer Hall)

Items Needed for the Helping Hands Ministry in January 2020

St Joseph Church

Toliet Paper & Paper Towels

St Luke Church

Pasta, Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Mac & Cheese

Items collected will be donated to the Salvation Army and the Youngsville Food Pantry

THANK YOU!

ST JOSEPH PARISH SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY

The Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen serves dinner on Tuesday at 4:30pm for the Warren Community.

All are Welcome!