



MINISTERS



Liturgical Appointments for  
January 12/13, 2019

	Minister of Altar	Minister of Hospitality	Minister of Word	Minister of Holy Communion
5:30	NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING			
8:00				
10:00				



MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

8:00 a.m. Trudy Keating, Sam Williams,  
Gladys Shultz  
(Blake Walters)

10:00 a.m. Roy Adams; John &  
Viola Smrek  
(Pat Smrek-Adams)

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

10:00 a.m. WLRU RADIO ROSARY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

9:15 a.m. Health & Blessings for  
Gabriel Tamborski  
(Mary Tamborski)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

7:00 p.m. Health & Blessings for  
Charis Young  
(Mary Tamborski)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

5:30 p.m. Health & Blessings for  
Maggie Tamborski  
(Mary Tamborski)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

8:00 a.m. Health & Blessings for  
Henry Young  
(Mary Tamborski)

10:00 a.m. Jack Boler (Carol Sams)



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Weekly Need ..... \$ 5,000.00

Collection for December 29/30 2018

Envelopes & Loose ..... \$ 4,813.00

Variance ..... -\$ 187.00  
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School Support: ..... \$ 30.00

Building Fund: ..... \$ 50.00

St. Vincent de Paul:..... \$ 0.00

Votives: ..... \$ 19.25

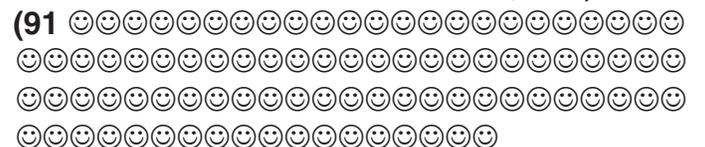
Buck-a-Month: ..... \$ 0.00

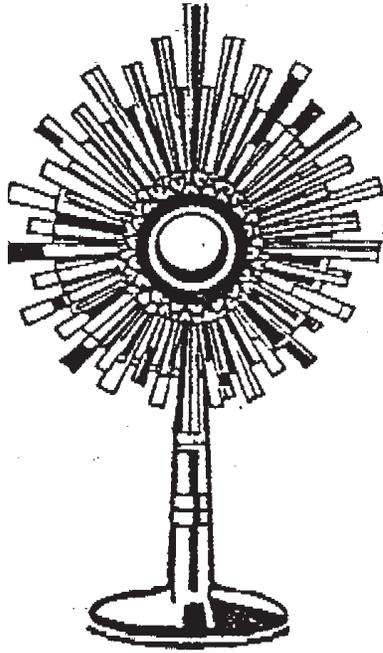


YTD NEED STARTING 7/8/2018 ..... \$ 130,000.00

YTD COLLECTED ..... \$ 139,061.00

VARIANCE ..... +\$ 9,061.00





**BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.**



**January 7**  
Austin Bagshaw, Evelyn Hunter  
**January 8**  
Willow Becker  
**January 9**  
Steve Hauser, Charles Wise  
**January 10**  
Lisa House, Gary Huff  
**January 11**  
Michael Thery  
**January 12**  
Tom Hovan, Lena Moenster



**\$229,685.00**  
Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

**LAUGHTER IS GOOD**

Figuring that her 4-year-old son Kevin was listening in the next room, Janet decided to tell her husband Don the latest Christmas gift she had bought the boy by spelling out the words "fire truck."

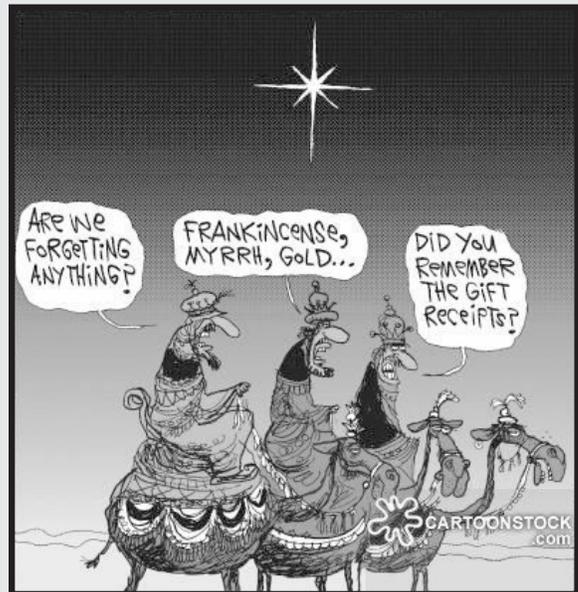
Don nodded and said, "I think it would be a great Christmas gift."

From the other side of the wall, they heard Kevin yell, "I don't want letters for Christmas!"

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Customer: "Excuse me waiter, this coffee tastes like mud."

Waiter: "Yes sir, it's fresh ground."



## SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

The Three Wise Men had a “come to Jesus” moment. We celebrate this moment as the “Epiphany,” a word that means “to reveal.” God through Jesus is revealing to the world who He is and what He wants to do. The three gifts reveal who He is. The gold reveals Jesus is a King having all power and authority over everything. The frankincense reveals Jesus is Priest who will restore friendship between His Father and all of us. The Myrrh reveals Jesus as Sacrifice who will die to pay the debt we owe to God for our sins.

The birth of Jesus in a dirty, stinky animal shelter reveals what He wants to do for us. Forget the nice Christmas cards depicting sweet adoring animals lying in clean beds of straw. Here is what a stable really looked like where Jesus was born. What I will now describe is not for the squeamish. To avoid hearing this, put your hands over your ears and repeat saying “la, la, la, la.” Insects and parasites could be found in a stable in huge numbers. Given that Jesus was born in the cold winter, all the cows would be infected with flesh-eating lice. The straw would be loaded with mites living off rat droppings. Flies would live for winter in the nose of the sheep, where they laid eggs. There is more I could say but it is too gross to say before breakfast. If you are about to give birth, arrange to do it somewhere else other than a stable. Those bugs could have infected Jesus with a number of diseases, including anthrax.

What was God revealing that He had his Son born in a stable among these most despised and vile creatures? He revealed this – God wants to love the unlovely and to bless the unblessed. Jesus honored those who honestly admitted they had no reason to be honored at all. Remember the Pharisee who stood in front of the altar to brag about how good he was, not like that publican in the back of the temple? The publican sinner with head lowered stood at the back of Church, beat his breast, and humbly begged “forgive me Lord a sinner.” Jesus said the publican went home right with God. The stable became a sign of the mission of Jesus – to give love to the outcasts, the prostitutes, the tax collectors, and the sinners who were reviled just like the lice in the stable.

In seventeenth century France, a scholar by the name of Muretus was an ailing fugitive. He suffered from a mental disorder that we call today schizophrenia. When he presented himself to the medical doctors, he was dressed in the rags of a pauper. The doctors discussed his case in Latin, thinking he would be too stupid to understand them. “*Faciamus experimentum in anima vili,*” one said, which means “Let us try an experiment with this worthless creature.” Imagine their shock when this pauper replied back in Latin, “*Vilem animam appellas pro qua Christus non dedignatus est mori?*” “Will you call worthless one for whom Christ did not disdain to die?”

The Epiphany reveals God’s plan for this world. “*Euntes autem discite quid est misericordiam volo et non sacrificium non enim veni vocare iustos sed peccatores,*” which translates to “Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.” Matthew 9:13 is my favorite verse from all the scripture. Please make sure it gets inscribed on my headstone...in English.