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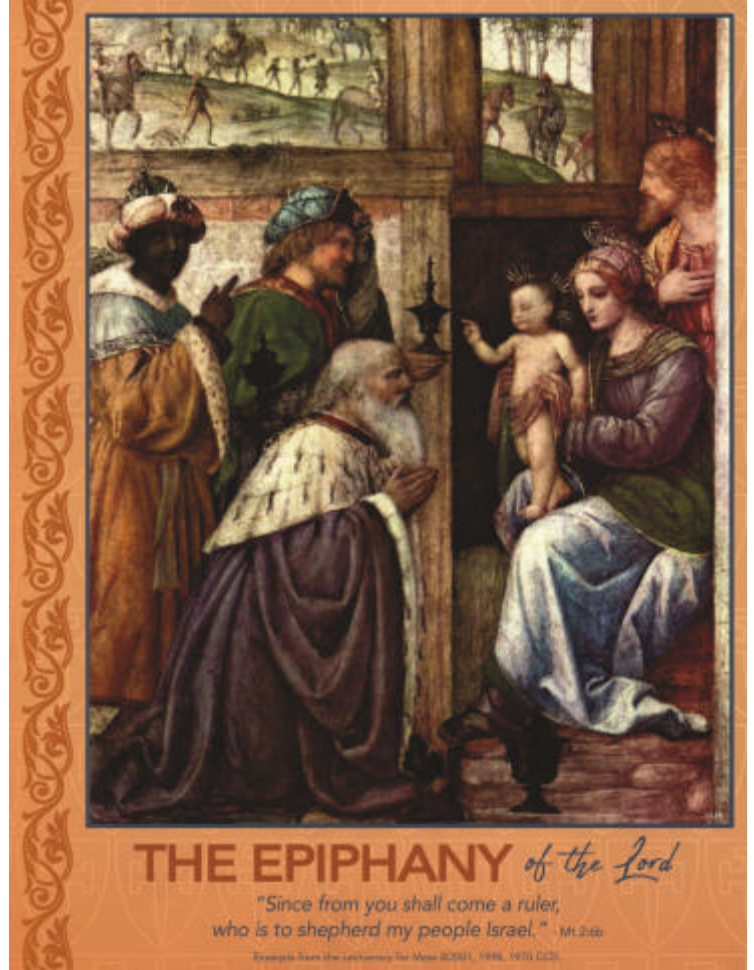
Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday • 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed Friday

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass: 7:45 am every Tuesday morning
First Saturday & Holy Days: 7:45 a.m. Mass
Church open for Private Prayer from 7 -11 am (M-F)

Livestreamed Liturgy 4:00 p.m. Saturday.
To view, visit stmaryswaterford.org and click on the link "Watch St. Mary's Online"



Sacrament of the Sick

In case of emergency, at any time. Whenever someone is seriously ill, in the hospital or homebound, please notify the parish office.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Bride and groom must meet with the pastor at least one year before date, be registered parishioners and must present a recent baptismal certificate.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. by appointment and after preparation with Mrs. Webster.
Contact Mrs. Webster at 518-237-3131 ext. 23

*"One in Mind and Heart, Intent Upon
God" ~ St. Augustine*



MASS INTENTIONS

January 2, 2022
Epiphany

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:45 AM Communion Service

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

4 PM	Sally D. Becker	Joe Becker
	Harvey Bailey	Family
	Louis Perfetti	Frank LaGatta
	Karen Charbonneau	St. Vincent de Paul

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

8 AM	Richard Bonneau	Family
	Rachael Cavosie	The Cavosie Family
	Karin Gross	Pearl & Ken Perrier

10:30 Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family



St. Mary's Altar Society would like extend their heartfelt thanks to the parishioners, the Knights of Columbus and Altar Society members that helped clean the church earlier this month.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

Memorials for the Month of January



WINE

In Memory of **PRIMEAU FAMILY**
Given by Family

SANCTUARY CANDLE

In Memory of **MICHAEL T. WHARTON**
Given by Wharton Family



In Memory of **RONALD MUSCATIELLO**
Given by Family



Calendar of Events and Observances

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| 1/1 | Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God |
| 1/2 | The Epiphany of the Lord |
| 1/3 | The Most Holy Name of Jesus |
| 1/4 | St. Elizabeth Ann Seton |
| 1/5 | St. John Neumann, Bishop |
| 1/6 | St. André Bessette, Religious |
| 1/9 | The Baptism of the Lord |

Thank you for your continued generous offerings. A special thanks goes out to all those who continue to send in their offertory while they are watching mass online from home.

Offertory of Dec. 12, 2021 \$ 4817.
Fuel: \$ 3210



Midwestern Tornado Relief

As requested by Bishop Scharfenberger, on the week-end of January 8/9th, we will hold a special collection for relief following the devastating tornadoes that recently hit the midwestern United States. A special basket will be available in the back of church for this purpose. Please be generous as always in helping our brothers and sisters across the country. If you would like, you may contribute directly to tornado relief at www.catholiccharitiesusa.org.

BIBLE SHARING GROUP STARTS JAN. 10

We invite St. Mary and St. Augustine parishioners to gather to pray and share scripture on Monday evenings at 7:15 PM at St. Augustine's Rectory, beginning on Jan. 10. Each session will concentrate on the Lectionary readings for the following Sunday and last for 80 to 90 minutes.

Please bring your Bible!

We want to get an approximate head-count for preparing materials, so please call Father Liam at 518.237.3131, ext. 18 and leave your name and phone number.



The Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 2, 2022

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."



Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Carol Travis, Anna Papperman, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Connie Laviolette, Muriel Smith, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Carol Hervieux-Potts, Althea Alger, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Melissa Rice, Bianca Razzano, Nicholas Muscatiello, Scott McGowty, Ruth Brand, Matthew Dame, Larry Cranville, Lucille Bertrand, Susan Salisbury and Father Joseph Getz O.S.A. **Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.**

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IN MEMORY OF
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IN MEMORY OF
KARIN GROSS
TRACY & BOB BASILA

IN MEMORY OF
NICHOLAS SAPONE
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RCIA MEETINGS BEGIN IN JANUARY

Fr. Liam and the St. Mary - St. Augustine RCIA team will welcome non-Catholics and non Christians interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church to informal sessions beginning in January.


We invite inquirers to join us on Thursday evenings from 7:15 PM starting Jan. 6 at St. Augustine's Rectory. At this point, we have nearly half a dozen people interested and room for many more. If any of your friends or relatives want to learn more about the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Liam at 518.237.3131, ext. 18.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Feast Day | January 4

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City. Married at age 19, she and her husband had 5 children but she was widowed at a young age. After discovering the Catholic faith, she converted to Catholicism and founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."





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