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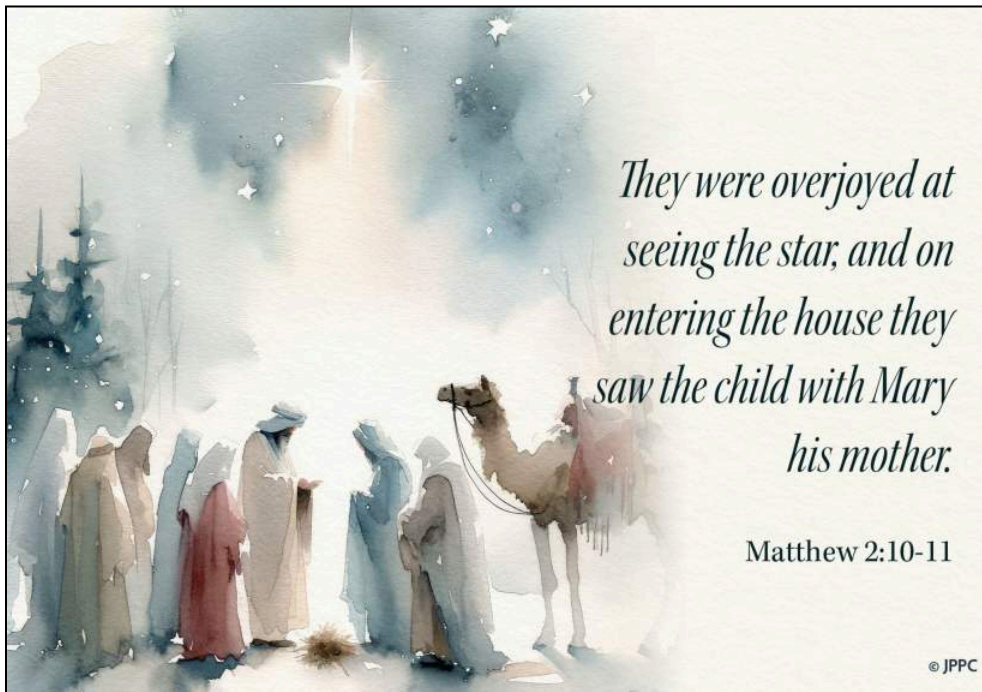
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*They were overjoyed at
seeing the star, and on
entering the house they
saw the child with Mary
his mother.*

Matthew 2:10-11

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! Contact the Parish Office for registration or to receive information regarding sacramental preparation and eligibility.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity
Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine
Sunday: 10:30 AM at Nativity (Live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube every couple of weeks.)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. & Thurs.: 9 AM at St. Catherine
Tue. & Wed. 9 AM at Nativity
Friday: 7 PM at Nativity
Saturday: 7 AM at St Catherine

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine
Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

CONFESSION

Friday: 7:50-8:20 PM at Nativity*
Saturday: 7:50-8:20 AM at St. Catherine*
Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM at Nativity
Sunday: 7:20 – 7:50 AM at St. Catherine*
Sun. after most 10 AM Mass at Nativity
Or by appointment, call the Parish Office
* When Fr Goyette is here



Saturday, January 4th

7:00 AM-SC Devin Emig *r/b Karen Emig*

4:00 PM-N People of the Parish

Sunday, January 5th

8:00 AM-SC Dot Myers *r/b Rocky & Susan Costa*

10:30 AM-N Spec. Int. Ron Ditch *r/b Deserable Family*

Monday, January 6th

9:00 AM-SC Sr Bianca Camillera

r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

Tuesday, January 7th

9:00 AM- N Dot Myers *r/b Don & Mary Ellen Healy*

Wednesday, January 8th

9:00 AM-SC Theresa Van Leer

r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

Thursday, January 9th

9:00 AM-SC Pop Pop Greenwood *r/b His Family*

Friday, January 10th

7:00 PM -N Susan Davis

r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

Saturday, January 11th

7:00 AM-SC William Moore *r/b Karen Emig*

4:00 PM-N Kay Tanner *r/b June & Fran Sieber*

Sunday, January 12th

8:00 AM-SC People of the Parish

10:30 AM-N Dana Cannon *r/b Fera Family*

Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine



What a lovely way to start the New Year by purchasing a Sanctuary Candle for your loved one. Cost is \$15 per candle. Mass Intentions are also available for \$15 per intention.

The Sanctuary Candle is being lit at Nativity Church

In Remembrance of Henry O'Meara
Requested by His Family



Harriet Bajewicz, Betty Briles, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Jim Cesanek, Joanne Ciquero, John Contrevo Sr., Joseph Diatterick, Melissa DuBeau, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mark Fitzpatrick, Anthony & Luca Garbarino, Amedeo Giambuzzi, Don & Matt Healy, Chrysi Lopes, Dcn John Luko Jr. Rosemary McBride, Faith Mathiesen, Jennifer Mignano, Miller & Joann Mills, Eileen Mulholland, Thomas Myers Jr., Bob Sandelier, Karen Simpson and Karen J. Viola

If you have a family member whom you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com.

Pray for Our Military Heroes

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, especially those suffering from the effects of war.

US Army

CPL Austin Arledge, Army Staff Sgt. Molly Atkinson, SSG Bryan Jenkins, 1LT Tyler Keyworth
Com. Sgt Major Shane McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller, and PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman, EM2 William Little, and Kurt Reinhold, US Navy

US Air Force

SrA Jacob R Custis, MSgt, George Ruczynski Jr.

US Marine Corps

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mon. – Thurs. 8-9 AM
Eucharistic Adoration before morning Mass. Every Monday 6-7 PM Adoration at Nativity

ROSARY

Mon. – Thurs. Rosary after morning Mass and after all weekend Masses
Every Tuesday after the 9 AM Mass—Novena to the Miraculous Medal.



JANUARY 2025

- 7 - Knitting Ministry Meets after 9AM Mass - NCC
- 8 - Choir Rehearsal 7PM - NC
Grief Support 7PM - NCC
Knights of Columbus 730PM - SCB
- 14 - Parish Council 7PM - SCB
- 15 - Knights of Columbus 730PM - SCB
Choir Rehearsal 7PM - NCC



**Parish Religious Education Program Calendar
JANUARY**

- 5 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A
- 12 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A
- 19 - NO CLASS
- 25 - FIRST PENANCE RETREAT
9A - 12P NATIVITY CHURCH
- 26 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A

Please be sure to check weekly email for updates and reminders



**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Calendar
JANUARY**

- 5 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A
- 12 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A
- 19 - NO CLASS
- 26 - In Person Class 915A - 1015A



Each time a child is Baptized, God smiles from up above knowing he has someone new to shelter and to love.

Welcome the following into our Faith Community.

Cameron Thomas Capecci

RANDOM MINUTIAE BY FATHER GOYETTE

As we start a new year, it is a natural time to reflect on the past and set goals for the future. It is important that our goals are not just about achieving personal success or happiness, but rather about honoring God and living according to His will. One way to set godly goals is to start by prayerfully seeking guidance from God. Take time to listen to His voice and ask for His direction in your life. When we seek God first, He will lead us and give us the desires that align with His will for our lives.

St Catherine's Chapel is now Open for spending time with the Lord. Please contact the Parish office if you would like to sign up for a Key Fob.

We also have Eucharistic Adoration before our daily morning masses. Saturday after the 4p Mass and on Sundays before the 8a Mass and after the 1030a Mass. What a beautiful way to start your day by spending time in the presence of the Lord.

Please remember that Fr Goyette will be away the week of Jan 5th and will return in time for the 7p Mass on Friday Jan 10th. Monsignor Leonard Scott will be the celebrant at the Daily Morning Masses while he is away. Please keep Fr Goyette in prayer as he continues his spiritual journey with the Lord.





Grief Support will resume twice a month in January.

Grief support is a group that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Conference center to learn how to cope with loss through Scripture, prayer, and conversations with others who have experienced loss. No loss is the same, and no healing occurs the same way or in the same time frame. We offer a support system to help us handle our loss in a supportive way.

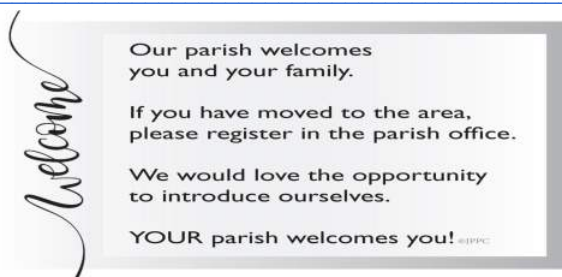
Caregiver Support will not meet for the month of December.

Caregiver support is a group that meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Conference center to address issues related to providing care and support to a loved one facing health challenges. This group will utilize prayer, scripture and conversation to discover ways to handle the stress and emotions in caring for a loved one who is going through such challenging times.

Our Infirmities can be a broken body, broken heart or broken spirit. God knows what we need to lighten our load, although it may not be what we think we need. Whether it is a moment of inner peace during a time of great stress, or our loved one is called to the Kingdom of God so that suffering and pain on this Earth is over, He knows what we need for us to continue on our path. Luke 12:10-13, where Jesus heals an infirm woman on the Sabbath, shows us our grief and our bodily infirmities can weigh us down. However, Jesus can lighten our burden if we listen and let him.



We are looking for more men to join us at the St. Catherine of Siena Knights of Columbus.



If you can spare some of your talent and time for any of the following routine parish maintenance activities, please call the parish office at 856-881-9155. We will contact you to discuss your interest in various small projects, such as:

- Power washing
- Small painting and carpentry projects
- Plumbing Projects
- Light Welding
- Streaming the parish 10:30 am mass once a month. Training and instructions will be provided



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Abby's Angels would like to wish all of you a very Happy and Healthy New Year! We are very grateful for all of your support and May God Bless You!

With Love, Abby





Feast of the

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Stewardship Family

FOOD PANTRY

PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who Himself said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. (Acts 20:35)

Would you like to donate to our parish food pantry but don't know what to buy? Although all nonperishable food items are welcome, here are some suggestions: mac & cheese, ramen noodles, tuna, canned chicken, instant potatoes, pasta and pasta sauce. Soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes are appreciated as well. New or used clean reusable shopping bags (ShopRite, Acme, Target, Walmart, etc.) are also needed. You may leave your nonperishable items in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity and St. Catherine of Siena churches, or, you may deliver them directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center from 10:15 to 11:30 on Wednesday mornings. Prefer not to shop? Monetary donations are always welcome. Your support for this ministry is invaluable and we thank you!

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. (1 JOHN 3:1)

During this Stewardship season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received - being children of God! As God's children, it's in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day!

Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you.

Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.



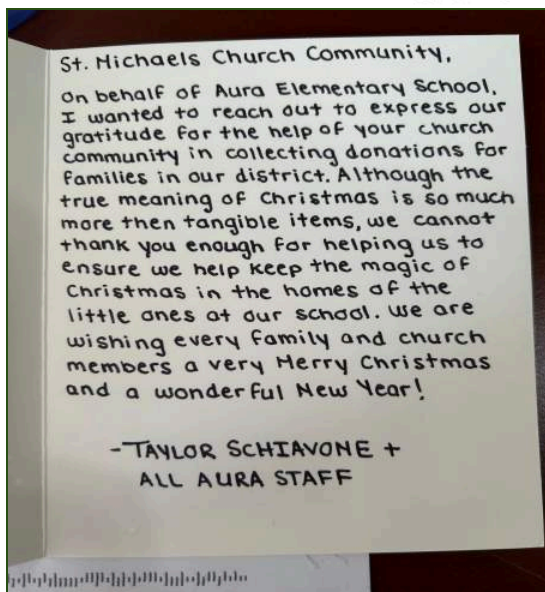
CHURCH OFFERING

- Total Mass Offering for Dec 21st/22nd - \$8656
Last Year's Total Mass Offering - \$5380
Christmas Masses Total Offering Dec 24th/25th - 11,710
Last Year's Total Christmas Mass Offering - \$12,436
Christmas Flowers - \$224
Immaculate Conception - \$30.00

MASS COUNT

- Dec 21st/22nd - Sat. 4 PM Nativity - 114
Sun. 8 AM St. Catherine - 102
10:30 AM Nativity - 200
Total Attendance - 416
Last Year's Total Attendance - 417
Dec 24th - Tues. 4 PM Nativity - 340
7 PM St Catherine - 110
Midnight - St Catherine - 62
Dec 25th - Wed. 8 AM St Catherine - 36
10:30 AM - Nativity - 108
Total Attendance - 656
Last Year's Total Attendance - 608

thank you, thank you, thank you!



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NEIGHBORHOOD
News



First Reading Is 60
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Second Reading Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel Reading Mt 2:1-12

Reflection: The Feast of the Epiphany

Let us worship Jesus at Mass, every day if we can, with the gold of our love, the myrrh of our humility and the frankincense of our adoration. Let us offer God our very selves, promising Him that we will use His blessings to do good for our fellow men. Let us plot a better course for our lives as the Magi did, choosing for ourselves a better way of life in the New Year by abstaining from proud and impure thoughts, evil habits and selfish behavior and sharing our love with others in acts of charity. Let us become stars, leading others to Jesus, as the star led the Magi to Him. We can remove or lessen the darkness of the evil around us by being, if not like stars, at least like candles, radiating Jesus' love by selfless service, unconditional forgiveness and compassionate care. **Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus his gifts to us on this feast of Epiphany.** The first gift might be friendship with God. After all, the whole point of Christmas is that God's Son became one of us to redeem us and call us friends. God wants our friendship in the form of wholehearted love and devotion. A second gift might be friendship with others. This kind of friendship can be costly. The price it exacts is vulnerability and openness to others. The Good News, however, is that, in offering friendship to others, we will receive back many blessings. A third gift might be the gift of reconciliation. This gift repairs damaged relationships. It requires honesty, humility, understanding, forgiveness and patience. The fourth gift of this season is the gift of peace: seeking God's peace in our own lives through prayer, the Sacramental life and daily meditation on the Word of God. It is out of humble gratitude that we give Him from the heart our gifts of worship, prayer, singing, possessions, talents and time. As we give our insignificant, little gifts to God, the good news is that God accepts them! Like the Magi offering their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, we offer what we have, from the heart, in response to what that Child has given to us - Himself.

Villa Maria by the Sea
 PRIVATE DAY OF PRAYER

 Wednesday, January 22, 2025
 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - \$25
 On the Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn, spend a quiet day praying for the intention of the right to life from conception until natural death. Throughout the day, there will be periods of communal prayer for this very special intention. Lunch is provided.
 Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center
 101 11th Street, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247
 Register by January 15 by calling 609-964-7700 or visit www.VMbytheSea.com

ARISE AND CALL HER BLESSED

 Presented by: Sister Sheila Galligan, IHM
 Friday, January 31, 2025 8:45 am - 2:15 pm
 \$60 per person*
 This retreat day includes Mass and lunch.
 101 11th Street, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247
 For more information or to register by January 24, 2025, call 609-964-7700 or visit www.VMbytheSea.com
 *You may opt to stay overnight on Thursday, January 30 for an additional \$95.

Retreats
 • SAT & SUN DECEMBER 7 - 8, 2024: ADVENT
 • SAT MARCH 15, 2025: LENT
 • SAT MAY 10, 2025: MARIAN RETREAT

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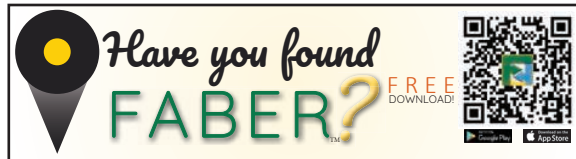
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