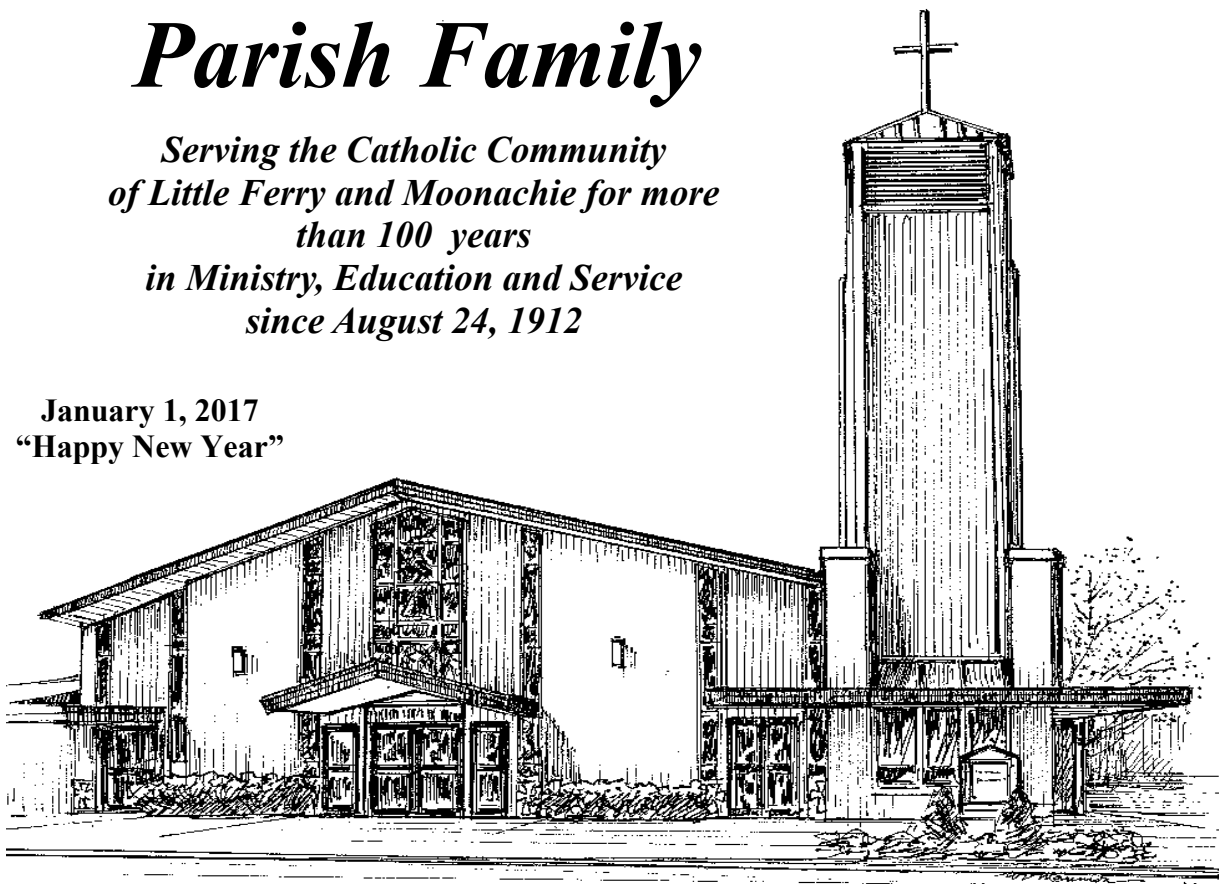


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"Happy New Year"



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: Monday 7:00 PM

Tuesday to Friday 8:00 AM

Saturday 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 P.M.

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The Holy Eucharist for this Week



SATURDAY

5:30 PM People of Our
Parish Family

SUNDAY, January 1, 2017

Solemnity of Mary The Holy Mother of God-
New Year's Day

10:00 AM 12:00 PM



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Memorials
Bread and Wine
Sanctuary Candle
People of Our Parish Family

MONDAY, January 2

7:00 PM Joan Lee

TUESDAY, January 3

8:00 AM People of Our Parish Family
5:30 PM Nicolina Lo Schiavo

WEDNESDAY, January 4

8:00 AM Eugene De Martino

THURSDAY, January 5

8:00 AM John Bussanich

FIRST FRIDAY, January 6,

8:00 AM Gennaro Leonardi [2A]

FIRST SATURDAY, January 7

9:00 AM Saint Margaret Mass Guild

SATURDAY

5:30 PM Deceased Members of Baker –
Van Sadlers Family

SUNDAY, January 8, 2017

The Epiphany of Our Lord

8:00 AM Theodore Kelly
10:00 AM Patrick Pansini [2A]
12:00 PM Donato Cifarelli

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the
stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

PASSIONS

We should employ our passions in
the service of life, not spend life in the
service of our passions.

—Richard Steele



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**Mary, the Holy Mother of God
January 1, 2017**

Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in her heart.
— *Luke 2:19*

THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE

The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God's loving kindness, the shining glory of God's face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God's own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God's face is shown to us and God's presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! (Numbers 6:22-27).

Psalm — May God bless us in his mercy (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but an heir, through God.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day

Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

**Tuesday: The Most Holy
Name of Jesus**

Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday: St. John Neumann

Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday

**Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
First Saturday; Julian Calendar
Christmas**





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

Bishop John W. Flesey

Shirley Pizza
Phil Kinsella
Camilla Leventhal
Thomasina Di Meglio
Nicole Grano
Johanna Hanush
Lena Vitale
Grace Ehler
Julio Sanchez
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Robert & Evelyn Zienkiewicz
Kevin Michael Francis
Connie Vaccarino
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Elena Rose

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John Thomas Lazur Dersch
George Cappiello
Anna Semioli
Florence Navarro
Vivian Cuesta
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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 especially for all those victims who suffered and lost so much, under the severity of hurricanes.



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

Solemnity of Mary,
The Mother of God (New Year's Day)

January 1, 2016

Sunday, New Year's Day

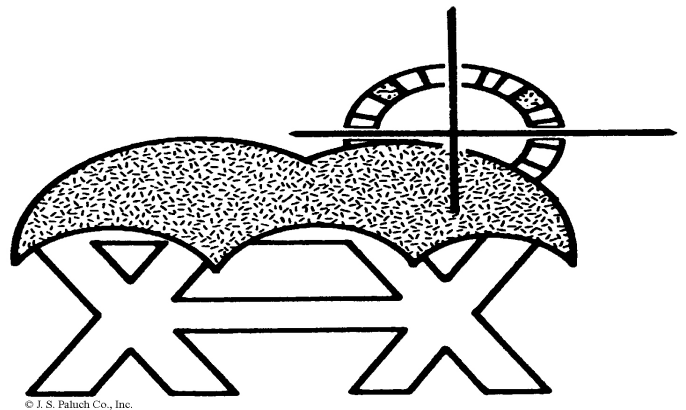
10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

Epiphany, Sunday, January 8

Saturday, January 7: 5:30 PM

Sunday, January 8 :

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM



**“Every end is a new
beginning.”**



**These words are very hopeful and
encouraging
as we begin the New Year. For some
who lack physical necessities and
struggle with numerous problems on
a daily basis, hope is a fleeting word.**

**The many programs of Catholic
Charities aim to restore hope and
dignity. Please help us by
contributing to the donation bin in
the parish. We also need children's
books.**

God Bless.



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