



**Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor  
Deacon Bill Vrazel**

**Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.**

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January 4, 2026

*The Epiphany  
of the Lord*



*Journey As The Pilgrims*

When I was 22, I went on a pilgrimage to Rome for the Jubilee Year of 2000. I was traveling light with just a backpack, one blue shirt and black pants, little money, and no Italian. I had a few close friends and one goal: to reach the Eternal City. Despite the challenges and deprivations, I felt alive in a way I had never known before.

When do you feel most alive? I'd wager it's not when you're most comfortable or surrounded by stuff. Rather, it's when your life is aimed at something great; when you're on a meaningful and challenging journey with good friends.

That's the image the Magi give us in today's Gospel. They set out from the East not with certainty, but with hope. They study the signs, discipline their attention, and journey together, offering the best they have when they find the newborn King.

The Church gives us their story at the start of the year to reawaken something in us. We are not meant to drift. We're meant to journey as pilgrims. The Jubilee Year of 2025 may have ended, but our pilgrimage has not. Like the magi, the closer we get to Christ, the more alive we become. — *Father John Muir*

Today's  
Mass  
Readings



**First Reading:** Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

**Psalm:** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

**Second Reading:** It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body. (Eph 3:5-6)

**Gospel:** "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

**Next Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Daily Mass  
Bible  
Readings



<b>Monday, January 5 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am <b>MASS</b> - Church - 9:00 am Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts - Parish Hall - 10:00 am Parish Prayer Group - Chapel	- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm <b>RECONCILIATION</b> - Church - 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adoration - Church - 5:30 pm—Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel
<b>Tuesday, January 6 —</b>	- 5:00 pm KOC Officers and General Meeting - Parish Hall - 6:30 pm Novena To Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel	- 7:00 pm <b>Mass</b> - Chapel
<b>Wednesday, January 7 —</b>	- 6:30 am Java and Jesus Men's Group - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am <b>MASS (with Moms)</b> - Church	- 9:00 am Bible Study - Parish Office Conf. Room - 6:30 pm Confirmation Class (High School) - Church Multipurpose Room - 6:30 pm OCIA Class - Conference Center
<b>Thursday January 8 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am <b>MASS</b> - Chapel	- 9:00 am Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel - 6:30 pm Father Mike's Bible Timeline Bible Study - Conference Center
<b>Friday, January 9 —</b>	- 8:30 am <b>MASS</b> (Children's Mass during school year) - Church - 9:30 - 11:30 am Society of St. Vincent De Paul - Parish Hall	
<b>Saturday, January 10 —</b>	- 4:00 pm Vigil <b>MASS (RECONCILIATION offered 30 minutes prior to Mass)</b> - Church	

# Prayer Request

Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Leota Ayuso, Lee Ayuso, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Asher Bonura, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Richard Brasard, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Phylis Carlton, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, Tyler Corban, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Kim Desrosier, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jan Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Hannah Gest, Gerry Gough, Charles Grey, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Thomas Koenem, Barbara Ladner, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Anita Lambert, Vickie Landrum, Dustin Leochner, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Lynda Lumpkin, Evelyn Lumpkin, Rod Malburg, Stephanie Marvel, Laura Creel Meadows, Lori Miller, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Kyle Patridge, Joshua Parker, Mattie Starita Pavolini, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, The Pruett Family, Emily Reaves, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Father Truong Q Trinh, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Brittany Varney, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Billy Wood, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin

**In Memoriam ~ Sander Ian Findlay, Mary Helen Allen, Mary Ann Pagano Scarborough, John Warren "Jake" Erwin**

*For additions and deletions to Holy Family Prayer List, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686.*



## December 30, 2025

### Weekly Operating Credits

**Offertory/Collection:**

\$22,319

**Youth:** \$4,110

**Building Fund:** \$334

**Masses:** \$30

**Pickle Jar:** \$26

**Cemetery:** \$25

**Memorials:** \$5

**TOTAL: \$26,849**

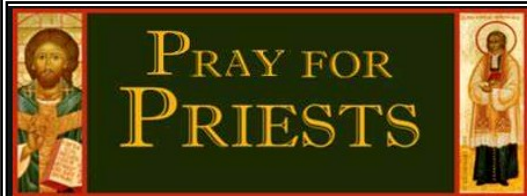
### Additional:

**Christmas Flowers:** \$90

**Christmas Ornaments:** \$40

### Weekly Fixed Expenses

TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY EXPENSES ARE CURRENTLY BEING UPDATED. WE WILL PROVIDE THE UPDATED EXPENSES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



*"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests Your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by Your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen".*

**Sun., January 4:** For Pope Leo XIV

**Mon., January 5:** For Fathers

Satish Adhav and Vinent O. Ajayi

**Tues., January 6:** For Father

Godfrey Andoh

**Wed., January 7:** For Father Anthony Arguelles (Retired)

**Thur., January 8:** For Fathers

Charles Arthur and Philip J. Audet

**Fri., January 9:**

For Father David

Milton Maria

HGN 2

**Sat., January 10:**

For Father Mike

Austin



**January 10 & January 11, 2026**

**4:00 pm - Saturday Vigil, 1/10/26**

**LECTORS**

Ken Austin

**EEMs**

Jane Ward, Lauri Wood and Emmett Zimmerman

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Solomon Molsbee, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

**8:30 am - Sunday, 1/11/26**

**Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion**

**11:00 am - Sunday 1/11/26**

Joy Burke

Chad Burge, Andrew Koslosky, Gretchen Mayeaux, Michael Mayeaux and Sid Petagna

Ashton Gamboa, Archer Kraft and Emily Payment

**5:00 pm - Sunday, 1/11/26**

Adalyn Canzoneri

Rusty Bone, Joy Miller and Aimee Tramontana

Jacob Robin, Ellie Thompson and Maci Thompson

# JANUARY

Mondays OR Thursdays each week - 6:30pm - 8pm - Father Mike's Bible Study, *The Great Adventure Through the Bible - The Story of Salvation History Mass - Conference Center*

Wednesdays - 6:30pm - *OCIA CLASSES - Conference Center*

Wednesdays - 6:30pm - *CONFIRMATION CLASSES - Church Multipurpose Room*

THURSDAYS - *YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE - 3pm - 3:45pm - Church*

Thursday, January 1 - *MASS - Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God - Holy Day of Obligation - 10am - Church*

BEGINNING Monday, January 5 - 5pm-10pm - **NEW**

**ADORATION HOURS - Church**

Monday, January 5 - 9am (after 8am Mass) - *Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts - Parish Hall*

Wednesday, January 17-18 - *Visit by Rev. Anthony Nguyen SCSr of UNBOUND to Holy Family - ALL MASSES*

Wednesday, January 28 - *Healing Face of Jesus Healing Ministries Healing Service - 6:30pm Church*

**Beginning January 5th, NEW HOURS FOR  
MONDAY ADORATION  
5:00pm -10:00 pm at Church**



THE MONSIGNOR LEECH COUNCIL 4472  
INVITES GENTLEMEN AND LADIES OF  
THE PARISH TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY.

## Upcoming JANUARY Events:

- **KOC Monthly Meetings:** 5pm – 8pm - First Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **January 6, 2026**
- **KOC Monthly Corporate Communion:** Sunday 8:30 am Mass following the first Tuesday of the month – **January 11, 2026**
- **KOC Parish Fellowship, Coffee and Donuts:** Sunday following the first Tuesday of each month after 8:30 am Mass – Conference Center – **January 11, 2026**
- **Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meetings:** 6:30 pm - Second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **January 13, 2026**
- **KOC Fifth Sunday Rosary:** After 8:30 am Mass - **March 29, 2026**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Saturday, January 3, 2026	<b>4:00 pm</b>	† Wayne James Special Intentions for Ken Austin Special Intentions for Marlene Logan
Sunday, January 4	8:30 am	† Ray and Mary Gallagher † Lang Family † Wayne James
	11:00 am	† Susan Rafferty † Ann Farr † Kendall Dedeaux Special Intentions for Linda Williams
	5:00pm	
Monday, January 5	8:00 am	Special Intentions for Megan and Theresa Bermond
Tuesday, January 6	7:00 pm	† Knost Family
Wednesday, January 7	8:00 am	Special Intentions for Marsha Brown Special Intentions for Phylis Carlton
Thursday, January 8 (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Wayne James
Friday, January 9	8:30 am * † <i>The Repose of the Soul</i>	† Elaine Thibodeaux Special Intentions for Megan and Theresa Burmond

## Upcoming 2025 Second & Special Collections

*January 13 - 14: Aged & Infirm Priest*

*January 24 - 25: Church in Latin America and Saltillo Mission*



**HAPPY NEW YEAR  
HOLY FAMILY PARISH!**

**Parish Office HOURS**

**MONDAY - THURSDAY**

**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**FRIDAYS**

**9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**CHURCH  
OFFICE  
HOURS**



Please join us every  
**FIRST & THIRD FRIDAY**  
of the month for the

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE  
MERCY**

The next Chaplets are  
**Friday, January 2nd & 16th**  
**3:00 pm at St. Paul's Chapel**

*For the sake of His sorrowful  
passion, have mercy on us and on the*



**Monday Morning Fellowship,  
Coffee & Donuts**

Let's Celebrate January  
Birthdays, too!

Start your first Monday  
morning of the month with  
Mass at 8:00 am followed

by Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts

Our next gathering is **January 5th ~ Parish  
Hall**



**The Great Adventures  
Through the Bible  
The Story of Salvation  
History**

A reminder that Father Mike's Bi-  
ble Study is one day a week.

**Mondays OR Thursday's**

**6:30 pm - 8:00 pm**  
Conference Center

**PLEASE NOTE HOLIDAY  
SCHEDULE**

Our last classes will be the week of  
**December 15th and 18th.**  
We will resume classes in 2026 the  
week of **January 5th and 8th.**

For questions, please contact the Parish  
Office at 228-452-4686.



**THERE, BUT FOR THE GRACE OF GOD,  
GO 1 MINISTRIES**

**Homeless Blessing Bags**

*Help us help them with Homeless Blessing Bags.*

The following items are needed.

All items should be small **"LUNCH BOX SIZE"**

items that will fit in a large **ZIPLOCK BAG**

- Food (crackers, chips, small, **SMALL** cans food with pop top only, canned or bagged tuna and chicken, and nonperishable foods (NO LARGE CANS OF FOOD))
- Bottled Water
- Toiletries (HOTEL SIZE shampoo, soap, Body wash, toothbrushes, toothpaste)
- Small first aid kits (band-aids, gauze and other hygiene products) **NO MEDICINE**
- Socks
- Prayer cards
- Old **SMALL** books (Magnificats, Daily Bread and other Catholic literature)
- Rosaries or other Venerations
- ANY USEFUL items that can fit in a **ONE GALLON Ziplock bag**

**IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO HELP HAND OUT BLESSING BAGS,  
PLEASE CONTACT STUART FARR AT 228-223-0500**

Holy Family Parishioners can drop off items at the Parish Office, or for your convenience, you can use the AMAZON QR code to purchase items (free shipping included).

Be sure to click **delivery to Holy Family** when checking out on Amazon.



Please check the **overflowing**

**LOST & FOUND BOX**

in the Church! All unclaimed items will be donated to our **Homeless Ministry** the first of August. Thank you!



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