

Blessed Sacrament Church

"I am the Living Bread come down from Heaven. If any man eats of this Bread, he shall live forever; and the Bread I will give, is My Flesh." John 6:51-52



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East, and have come to worship Him.'" Matthew 2:1-2

Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the side chapel twenty-four hours a day, every day. All are welcome to come and worship and adore our Eucharistic Lord.

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Matthew 26:40

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

LORD'S DAY: Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.
HOLIDAYS: Vigil: 6:00 p.m.
Holyday: 9:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS: 9:00 a.m.
SATURDAYS: First Saturdays only: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

BAPTISM: As part of the preparation process an interview with the Pastor and two instructional sessions are required. Please contact Laurie at 774-2918.

ENGAGED COUPLES: Arrangements for your marriage must be made at least nine months in advance of the marriage date.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you and ask that you register at the Rectory. We want to know and serve you! We hope that you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents.

Pastor

Rev. Timothy J. Campoli

Church

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Rectory

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Stephen Glover
772-0532

Alternatives Pregnancy Ctr.

Pregnancy Tests, Counseling, Support
Post Abortion Support
(413) 774-6010

Calvary Cemetery

Wisdom Way
Greenfield
773-3311

Hispanic Ministry

Sr. Caritina Olmos, M.P.S.
413-777-5115
Sr. Rosa Torres, M.P.S.
413-459-7052

Natural Family Planning

Ed & Suzi Cottrill
413-772-6062



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH (Fr. Reardon)
 4:00 Joseph Brozo, Jr. (4th Anniv.) – by Wife and Family
SUNDAY, JAN. 7TH – The Epiphany of the Lord (Msgr. Yargeau)
 8:00 Alexa White (1st Anniversary) – by Dave & Helen
 Shea Murphy
 10:30 John Sabin – by Wife and Family
MON., JAN. 8TH – The Baptism of the Lord (Deacon Culliton)
 9:00 Herbert T. Bernard, Jr. – by Maureen Filiault
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH (Deacon Leary)
 9:00 Kersavage – Toomey Family
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10TH (Deacon Bucci)
 9:00 Robert “Mike” Grant – by Family
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11TH (Pope Francis)
 9:00 Janet Zilch – by John Zilch
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12TH (Deacon Ratté)
 9:00 Grace & Blessings for Jennifer Heath –
 by Maureen and Laurie
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13TH – St. Hilary (Fr. Roach)
 4:00 Annie & Andrew Dedinas – by daughter, Birute Hanley
SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 (Deacon Bete / Vocations)
 8:00 Ann LaFleur – by Family
 10:30 Paul I. Coughlin – by Family

 REMINDER: ♦ Please join with us in praying the **Rosary** before each daily Mass at 8:15 a.m., before the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

- ♦ **Confessions** after each weekend Mass.
- ♦ The **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** will be recited Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All are invited to come and pray with us.
- ♦ Blessed Sacrament has a **Prayer Chain** which is available for anyone. Simply contact Marie Boynton at 413-772-5858 or memeboynton@comcast with your petition.
- ♦ **Sponsor Certificates** - Many parishes require certificates of sponsorship for Godparents and Confirmation Sponsors. These will be issued only to those who are confirmed adult Catholics, registered in the parish, regular participants at Mass, validly married in the Church (*if applicable*) and providing for the religious education of their own children (*if applicable*).

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of January 13 & 14

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday, January 13

4:00 Francis Campbell	Kerry Semaski
Monica McCarthy	Bill Randall
Joanne Yestramski	Hannah Lively
Winston LaBelle	Brian Luippold
Jason Semaski	

Sunday, January 14

8:00 Deacon George Nolan	Lynne Podlesney
Lionel Martin	Ginger Baird
Jim Podlesney	
10:30 Mary Jane Bardwell	Judy Lapointe
Joyce Thibodo	Suzanne Hunter
Bob Page	

Poet’s Seat Nursing Home:

Sunday, January 14 Deacon George & Lisa Nolan

Lectors / Cantors:

Sat., Jan. 13	4:00	Wayne Cottrill / Betsy Grybko
Sun., Jan. 14	8:00	Michael Motisi / Jane Winchester
	10:30	Marie Boynton / Sandra Pavoni



Mass Servers

Saturday, January 13

4:00 Piper Day, Penley Day

Sunday, January 14

8:00 Cody Podlesney, Sarah Podlesney
 10:30 Lauren Ross, Lillian Ross, Angie Ortiz-Rodriguez

January 7, 2018

Requiescat In Pace

Janice M. Dunbar

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week in memory/honor:
LeBeau and LaRoche Families – from Marie Boynton
The **Adoration Chapel Candles** will burn this week in
memory/honor of:

- 1.) **For a special intention** – from Susan Hurley
- 2.) **Jackie Jurewicz** – from Doug & Joan Gilhooly Parsons
- 3.) **Gerry Ethier** – Health and Blessings – from
Doug & Joan Gilhooly Parsons
- 4.) **Douglas Parsons** – Health and Blessings – from Joan
Gilhooly Parsons

Epiphany Party

Our Annual Children's Epiphany Party is Sunday, January 7th after the 10:30 Mass at Holy Trinity. Flyers are at the entrance of the church for details of the event.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council will meet Monday, January 8th at 6:30 p.m. at the rectory. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

March for Life

Catholics for Life, along with the Franklin County Deanery, are sponsoring a chartered bus to attend the Annual March for Life in Washington, DC on the 45th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. The bus will depart from Blessed Sacrament Church in Greenfield on Thursday evening, January 18th. We will spend Friday, January 19th in Washington, leaving at 4:00 p.m. We will arrive back in Greenfield early Saturday morning. **All students may attend at no charge; sponsorship will be available.** For additional information, please contact Deacon John Leary at deaconjohnleary@gmail.com or (413) 219-2734.

Christmas Flowers

Donations have been made for Christmas flowers in memory/honor of: John Barchenski, Barchenski Family, Francis Gochinski, Jr., Marlene Holmes, Mike Lawor, Sophie Lawor, Podlo Family, and Francis Wallitis.

Inclement weather CCD Cancellations

In case of inclement weather please check any of the following: WHAI 98.3, WHMP 1240AM, Bear Country 95.3 or websites: www.whai.com, or www.bear953.com for CCD cancellations.

Food Pantry

Please remember to leave your non-perishable food donations at the doors of the church, especially cold cereal, canned fruit and vegetables, hearty soups, pudding/jello, crackers and cookies.

Volunteer Cleaners - Adoration Chapel

Volunteers are needed to help with the weekly cleaning of the Franklin County Adoration Chapel in Greenfield. Four teams of volunteers help clean the Adoration Chapel once a month. The Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 and we clean it every Monday. It only requires about 30 minutes of your valuable time. The normal time for cleaning is from 7:00 a.m. to about 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. on Mondays. Please prayerfully consider helping us by volunteering for this important ministry. For more information and to sign up, please call **Pat Earley at 773-3396**. Thank you!

Catholics for the Unborn Pro-Life Vigil

Please join Catholics for the Unborn for a pro-life vigil on Thursday, January 11th at 10 AM in the Holy Spirit Chapel, St. Michael's Cathedral in Springfield. The vigil begins with Exposition, Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet then Adoration. At 12 noon there will be Benediction followed by Daily Mass. Please support our efforts to protect innocent unborn life through prayer. For more information, call Marilyn at 567-6085.

The Epiphany of the Lord

Spiritual Food for Thought

"And I saw that truly nothing happens by accident or luck, but everything by God's wise providence ... for matters that have been in God's foreseeing wisdom, since before time began, befall us suddenly, all unawares; and so in our blindness and ignorance we say that this is accident or luck, but to our Lord God it is not so."
— St. Juliana of Norwich

Pro-Life Reflection

From today's Gospel, Matthew 2: "Where is the new born king of the Jews?" Every birth has a destiny to be fulfilled.

Knights of Columbus Museum

Crèches of the World: This 13th annual Christmas exhibition includes nearly 70 Nativity scenes from across the globe and will be on display through Feb. 19, 2018. **Christmas Tree Festival:** This 17th annual exhibition features 24 trees decorated with handmade ornaments by Connecticut school children and continues until Jan. 28, 2018. The Museum is located at 1 State Street, New Haven, Conn. Visit kofcmuseum.org or call 203-865-0400. Free admission and parking.



Knights of Columbus Council #133
Meetings 3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Fr. Casey Hall, Holy Trinity Church

We are looking for new members.
If interested, please contact Jason Semaski
(413-626-3378) or Jay Dillon (413-773-3678).

K of C Refundable Bottle and Can Drive

The Knights of Columbus in Greenfield are having a refundable bottle and can drive to help support the different programs with which the Knights are involved. Drop off your clean bottles and cans at the rear entrance of the church in the barrel or at 18 Shattuck Street in Greenfield. Please call Jerry Ethier at 522-3283 or Jay Dillon at 772-6158 for pick-up.

Marriage Help Available

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; even if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love. The next local Retrouvaille weekend is January 19-21, 2018. For info., call confidentially 800-470-2230, email helds4marriage@gmail.com or go to our www.helpourmarriage.com for information and registration.

Two Great Catholic Tours

Come and journey away on a tour of the Holy Land April 24 – May 5, 2018 or Fatima and Lourdes June 15 -22, 2018. Prices begin at \$1,449/person based on double occupancy for land. Call for your air city departure price. Mass is offered. Deposits of only \$250/person for the land will reserve your space. Space is limited. For more info. or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 / Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com. Both itineraries can be found at www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Pilgrimage to Poland, Vienna, and Prague

Join Bishop Rozanski and Fr. Gary Dailey on a pilgrimage to Poland, Vienna and Prague with the Catholic Communications Ministry of the Diocese of Springfield scheduled from July 16 – 27, 2018. For more info., visit the official pilgrimage website at www.johnpaulpilgrimagesandtours.com/project/diospringfield or contact info@johnpaultours.com or 928-255-0955 / or l.gaulin@diospringfield.org or 413-452-0643.

Financial Report
FY 2016-17
Blessed Sacrament Church

	Total Actual 6/30/17	
Ck Bal. Forward 7/1/16	\$ 14,352.42	
INCOME		
Parish Collections	\$ 200,664.15	
Interest	\$ 14,581.09	
Stole Fees	\$ 2,380.00	
Beq/Don/Gifts	\$ 11,621.00	
CCD	\$ 1,759.00	
Misc (Candle, Park Lot)	\$ 14,496.71	
Renovation Fund	\$ 5,883.00	
Est. Inc. Long Term Sav.	\$ 13,762.03	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 265,146.98	
EXPENSES		
Salary-Priests (A)	\$ 19,500.00	
Salary-Priests (O)	\$ 4,280.00	
Salary-Employees	\$ 75,747.80	2 full-time employees and 4 part-time employees
Insurance -Employees	\$ 16,976.08	2 full-time employees
SS Taxes	\$ 6,964.30	
Pastoral Ministry	\$ 15.06	
Lay Emp. Pension	\$ 4,974.57	
Heat-Church	\$ 6,928.01	
Heat-Rectory	\$ 2,458.28	
Electric-Church	\$ 7,783.02	
Electric-Rectory	\$ 2,646.26	
Cable TV	\$ 1,123.69	
Water/Sewer	\$ 510.41	
Telephone/Internet	\$ 3,089.85	
Household Exps.	\$ 7,749.40	
Rep/Maint. Church	\$ 18,622.51	
Rep/Maint. Rectory	\$ 7,547.56	
Supplies	\$ 5,993.92	
Subscriptions	\$ 555.65	
Catholic Mirror	\$ 998.88	
Prop/Liab Insurance	\$ 12,571.00	
Print/Postage	\$ 3,764.10	
Supp to Diocese	\$ 27,463.53	Inc. priests' pension, health ins, auto allow, cont od
CCD	\$ 5,168.35	
Miscellaneous	\$ 8,210.42	
Music Program	\$ 835.68	
Cathedraticum	\$ 15,484.74	Tax paid to diocese
Ed. Assessment	\$ 18,406.00	Assessment on Catholic schools paid to diocese
Donation-Sisters' Housing	\$ 3,600.00	
Holy Trinity School		
Capital Imp-Church	\$ (59.00)	
Capital Imp-Rectory	\$ -	
Catholic School Subsidy	\$ 3,999.96	For parishioners attending Catholic schools
Transfer to Savings		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 293,910.03	
Accounts Payable		
Reimb Stipends Visit Priests	\$ 640.00	
Outstanding ck cleared	\$ -	
Transfer (Building Fund)	\$ 5481.03	
Net Special Coll	\$ 364.71	
Net Decrease/Increase	\$ 30,000.00	
to Savings	\$ (13,762.03)	Mkt Value Increase/Decrease Long Term Savings
Checkbook Balance 6/30/17	\$ 3,313.08	

Light, Glory and Stars

Both the Old and the New Testaments are full of images that speak symbolically of the real presence of God. One image that looms especially large is the image of light. The “pillar of fire” that accompanied the Hebrews during the initial phases of the exodus journey, and the “burning bush” episode with Moses are two great examples from the Old Testament. In the New Testament, John’s gospel is exceptional in its recognition of this ‘light’ imagery as standing for God’s presence, He whose “light shines in the darkness” (John 1).

The nation of Israel had destroyed its relationship with Yahweh by falling away from the truth that there is One God, and that He commands His people to live their lives His way. Their “darkness” – the sins of apostasy, idolatry and lack of a true spirituality – eventually caused them to be led away into exile to Babylonia in 587 B.C. After seventy years during which they could ponder the real reason for their misfortunes, the prophet we refer to as “Third Isaiah” announced that their relationship with Yahweh was being restored: His light once more was being restored to the Israelites (Is 60:1-6). Once again they are called to be His servants, focused on God and not on the worldly allurements or distractions.

The light theme continues into the gospel today (Matt 2:1-12), where we see a “star” shining in Bethlehem over the “true light that shines in the darkness,” the child Jesus. Here we find the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecy from Third Isaiah that all nations would be drawn to this light. They will come to do homage and worship and praise the Lord, the One who will shepherd His people.



KNOW YOUR CATECHISM! On this celebration we call “Epiphany,” we celebrate the adoration of Jesus by those Magi drawn to the “light of the world” and guided to Him by the “light of a star” (CCC #528). The long-awaited Messiah of the world has come. In the Holy Spirit, Christ fulfills the Old Testament symbols of light and glory (CCC #697). Are you focused on God first, or on worldly allurements – i.e., does light or darkness govern your life?

Nations Shall Walk by Your Light

All through their history the Israelites were ever conscious of their covenant relationship with God and of the promises God had made to Abraham, Moses and David. They were vividly aware that these promises had been fulfilled only in part — due to Israel’s infidelities. Isaiah today consoles them with the assurance that God is faithful, even when they are not. He describes in poetic language the future fulfillment of God’s promises. Not only will they be reunited in the land of promise, but all the nations of the earth will see the glorious works of God. Then will be fulfilled the promise to Abraham that all nations will be blessed in his offspring and will come bringing gifts and praise for the wonderful work of God. St. Luke sees all these things coming beginning in the birth of Jesus. The Gentile Magi came bearing gifts and worshipping God. By baptism we share in the life of the Child of Bethlehem and so our lives should reflect the light that enables people to see the wonderful works of God.

God our Father, You led the wise men by the light of a star to worship Your infant Son, guide us by His teachings to a life reflecting to friends and strangers something of your promise fulfilled.

-Father Robert F. McNamara