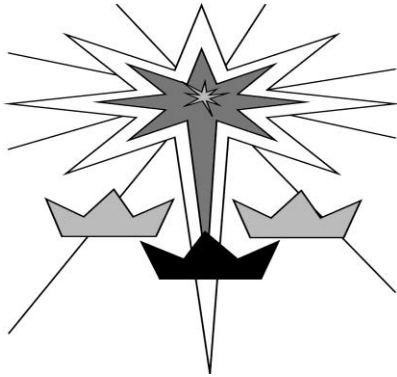


Epiphany of the Lord— *January 8, 2023*

*“Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.” —Isaiah 60:1*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday	Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
Monday	1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday	1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday	1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday	1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday	1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday	1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	January 7	4:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Sunday –	January 8	9:00 AM	Ed, Caroline “Cookie” and Eddie Yachymiak (Paul Mumbauer)
Monday –	January 9	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	January 10	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	January 11	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Thursday –	January 12	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	January 13	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	January 14	4:00 PM	All Holy Name of Mary Parishioners
Sunday –	January 15	9:00 AM	Tanya Calafut (Joanne DePeters)

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

In the Hebrew Scriptures, Jerusalem has been the center of all worship, the Temple of God. As such, the early Church interpreted this passage as the fulfillment of God’s promise in Jesus Christ, the light that shines on all humanity. The secondary meaning is that it points to God’s universal gift, as exemplified by the visit of the Magi.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Jesus Christ is revealed to all humankind through the evangelization of St. Paul and his followers. When Paul died, the Church was made up of both gentiles and Jews, worshipping together and taking the strengths and gifts of both cultures forward into the future.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Traditionally, the Magi were thought to be gentiles, and though Matthew doesn’t say this specifically, today’s OT reading refers to emissaries from *Midian*, *Ephah*, and *Sheba*, all gentile nations. This is important because it symbolizes the recognition by all nations of Christ’s sovereignty. There is great supernatural majesty in this story, with Magi (astrologers, perhaps, who draw meaning from the movement of the stars) following one bright, mystical star with hope and trust to the birthplace of Jesus- from the line of David in the City of David. They give their kingly gifts to this baby, fulfilling prophecies spoken eons before, bowing down to him gratefully and humbly. And, perhaps unknowingly, they thwart the evil machinations of a great, jealous king by obeying the message given them in a dream. There is such magic in this story that God seems to leap out of the words.



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Gene Bell, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Ellen Burns, Katie Calvin, JoAnne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Kathleen Conklin, Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Philip Donahue, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mond, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Joan Nelson, Kevin Nowalk, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergeant, Pauline Sheehan, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Rosemarie Whalen.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES

1/1/2023

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
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Sunday Collection	\$	6,033.13
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Thank you for your generosity & support



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

Travelers & Vacationers

Please remember that our parish relies on your contributions, even when you are away. Thanks!!



Sunday, January 8th – 9:00AM

Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, January 15th – 9:00AM

Bernadetta & Albert Paolucci

Sunday, January 22nd – 9:00AM

Isaiah Torres

Sunday, January 29th – 9:00AM

Lee John Sullivan

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

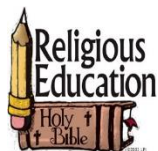
Be Our Light for the New Year

Come, Holy Spirit,
Spirit of the Risen Christ, be with us today and always.
Be our Light, our Guide, and our Comforter.
Be our Strength, our Courage, and our Sanctifier.
May this new year be a time of deep spiritual growth for us,
A time of welcoming your graces and gifts,
A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,
A time for growing in virtue and goodness.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Be with us today and always. Amen.

PARISH EVENTS

**January 21/22 – Second Collection for
the Church in Latin America**
**January 28/29 – Loose Change
Weekend**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Religious Education Classes are held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00AM, after the 9:00 AM Mass. At this time, masks are optional for the classroom.

If you are new to HNM parish and would like to register your child, registration forms are available at the rectory, as well as online in the Holy Name of Mary Church web site under the Religious Education portal. Thank you for your participation and support.

January 8th – Regular Classes



**WHAT GOES UP,
MUST COME
DOWN** (“Spinning
Wheels”, Blood Sweat
and Tears, 1969)

Yes, that means that we need to de-decorate the Church from its current beautiful Christmas disposition, and get it back down to “Ordinary Time”. So, this will take place immediately after 9:00 Mass on Sunday, 1/8, all hands on deck, just be willing to follow instructions, so as to make our set-up for Christmas, 2023 all the easier and more enjoyable. Thank you in advance for your help!
-- John Siedlecki

Thank You from Jesse Tree/ Kiwanis Toy Drive

Despite the impact of high inflation rates, our parish family responded to the Jesse Tree and the Kiwanis Club Toy Drive in a loving, blessed, and caring manner. Our faith continues to strongly believe in Jesus’ command – “When you do it for the least of my brethren, you do it for Me”.

On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Montrose Area and Interfaith’s Susquehanna County Christmas Program, I would personally like to extend a gracious and heartfelt “THANK YOU” for helping make the Christmas Season of 2022 a blessing and a joy for the less fortunate children and families in our area. Because of your kindness and charity, you truly helped to make a difference in their lives.

Our parish donated an extremely generous total of \$3,710.00 (\$3,010 last year) to the Kiwanis Toy Drive. There was a significant number of new donors from our parish family.

Combined with gifts from the public, a total of \$9,140 was donated. All of this money was used to purchase new toys and gifts for Susquehanna County Interfaith.

The Jesse Tree had 25 toy and gift tags and all of these were taken by parishioners. All of the tags were returned with the purchased toy or gift and given to Interfaith for distribution. Many other individuals, organizations, and churches throughout Susq. County also participated by taking tags and donating toys and gifts and/or money.

This year there was a big need to help all the families that applied for assistance. The final results were that over 625 families with 1,083 children woke up on Christmas morning to the joy of having presents under their Christmas tree. A total of over 3,500 new toys and gifts were donated and distributed. In addition, many senior adults were provided food baskets and gifts. A total of 1,976 children, parents, and seniors were served and helped this year. May the Love of Jesus bless you and you families for caring and sharing through your many acts of kindness!!

-- Ed DeWitt, Montrose Kiwanis Club

Parish Financial Report
Holy Name of Mary - Montrose
TREND ANALYSIS

	Fiscal Year July 1 - June 30				
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Revenue					
Collections	160,511	153,463	157,548	160,342	158,657
Faith Formation Fees	1,764	1,182	1,192	1,822	3,191
Fundraising/Development	44,451	22,115	34,706	35,859	37,966
Other Income	15,850	16,205	15,507	25,144	15,395
Designated Income/Grants/PPP Loan	-	19,800	19,800	-	-
Transfers Savings Account/Other	20	-	-	-	-
Diocesan Special Collections	11,324	5,563	6,854	6,655	6,238
Total Revenue	233,920	218,328	235,607	229,822	221,447
Expenses					
Administration	112,452	114,438	132,550	124,511	121,438
Rectory	9,992	9,280	6,105	7,223	7,618
Liturgy	6,098	1,933	9,469	10,704	11,097
Faith Formation	5,758	7,838	7,402	9,138	10,135
Social Justice	-	-	-	-	-
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	26,928	23,215	29,086	29,697	35,361
Fixed Expense	14,872	14,300	13,869	13,820	12,845
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	16,234
Capital Outlays	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Expenses /Transfers Out	-	-	-	10,200	-
Catholic School Assessment	17,446	17,853	17,217	17,324	20,295
Diocesan Special Collections Remittance	11,324	5,460	6,854	6,643	6,238
Total Expense	204,870	194,317	222,552	229,260	241,261
Parish Surplus/(Deficit) - CASH Basis	29,050	24,011	13,055	562	(19,814)
(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	20,072	14,030	14,164	96,178	16,502
Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit)	49,122	38,041	27,219	96,740	(3,312)
NOTE					
Outstanding Diocesan Obligations could include: Diocesan assessments, School assessments, health insurance, self-insurance, pension and other expenses.					
End of Year Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	4,368	24,440	38,470	52,634	148,812
Beginning of Year Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	24,440	38,470	52,634	148,812	165,314
(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations	20,072	14,030	14,164	96,178	16,502
Diocesan Loan/Debt	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Understanding Your Parish Financial Report

Revenue

- **Collections** include all offertory envelopes, online giving and loose collections, including for holidays, Holy Days and any special collection (flowers) envelopes.
- **Faith Formation Fees** include all registration and program fees for both faith formation and adults programs.
- **Fundraising/Development** includes any gifts or donations that are not regular parish offertory, bequests and memorials, parish activities (dinners, picnics, bingo, lottery, etc.), donations from parish societies and any parish rebate from the Diocesan Annual Appeal (75% over goal is refunded to the parish).
- **Other Income** includes rental of facilities, insurance refunds, interest income, sale of assets, funeral/wedding perquisites or any other income.
- **Designated Income/Grants/PPP Loan** includes donations or grants specifically earmarked for a designated purpose, reimbursements from linked parishes to help cover expenses and any Paycheck Protection Plan grant income.
- **Transfers Savings Account/Other** includes transfers from bank accounts that are excluded from operating income or have already been reported as operating income.
- **Diocesan Special Collections** are special collections (Care & Education of Priests or Emergency collections following a natural disaster) which get remitted back to the Diocese.

Expenses

- **Administration** includes clergy salary and benefits, office staff salary and benefits, administrative expenses, telephone, computer services, postage, printing, envelopes and the Cathedraticum (9.5% parish assessment to the Diocese) and Clergy Care and Wellness Assessment.
- **Rectory** expenses include the costs to run and maintain the rectory, as well as household expenses for the pastor(s).
- **Liturgy** includes salaries and benefits for musicians and liturgical staff including directors, musicians and sacristans. This also includes all liturgical equipment and supplies (printed materials, candles, flowers, decorations, etc.)
- **Faith Formation** includes salaries and benefits of faith formation director and staff, including family and/or youth director. This also includes the cost of all textbooks and supplies, retreats, etc.
- **Social Justice** includes all social justice salaries and benefits, as well as the cost of all social justice expenses.
- **Operation & Maintenance of Plant** includes salaries and benefits of all maintenance staff. This also includes the occupancy costs of the parish buildings, including electricity, heat, water, cleaning, janitorial, repairs and maintenance, and any plant and maintenance supplies.
- **Fixed Expense** includes insurance premiums from the Diocesan self-insured program for property, liability and workers compensation, real estate taxes (if any) and rental of facilities.
- **Debt Service** includes the interest and principal payments paid on outstanding parish debt.
- **Capital Outlays** includes any major repairs on the parish building or site or any new construction costs.
- **Designated Expenses/Transfers Out** includes all expenses designated for a specific purpose (i.e., food pantry) or transfers out to savings/building fund.
- **Catholic School Assessments** paid are included here. These represent the parish's portion allocated for the support of the Diocese of Scranton Catholic School System which are 14.5% for a parish with a Catholic School in its county and 8% if there is no school in its county.
- **Diocesan Special Collections Remittance** are the remittals of the Diocesan collections above.

Parish Surplus/(Deficit) - CASH Basis

- This line represents the **increase or decrease** in parish cash balances from the beginning of the year to the end of the year on a **CASH BASIS** based on actual expenses paid.

(Increase)/Decrease in Unpaid Diocesan Obligations

- This amount represents the change in the parish's **unpaid obligations** over the year. If there is an **increase** in unpaid obligations, this number will be **negative**. If the parish **reduced** its unpaid obligations, this will be a **positive** number.

Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit)

- This value is the sum of the Parish Surplus/(Deficit) and the (Increase)/decrease of Unpaid Diocesan Obligations. The cash balance represents the net effect of operating activity on a cash basis. If a parish is current on all of its obligation, there would be no difference between the Cash and ACTUAL Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit). However, if a parish is unable to stay current on its obligations, the increase of unpaid obligations will reduce their CASH Basis Net Surplus/(Deficit) by the amount of the increase in unpaid Diocesan obligations.

This Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit) reflects a parish's true ability to pay its current obligations.

Outstanding Diocesan Obligations

- This section highlights the change in a parish's unpaid Diocesan obligations over each fiscal year. If a parish has an increase in unpaid obligations for the year, this will result in a lower Actual Parish Net Surplus/(Deficit) as these are an annual obligation of the parish that was not paid in the current year.

Diocesan Loan/Debt

- This is the amount of outstanding loans of the parish.

