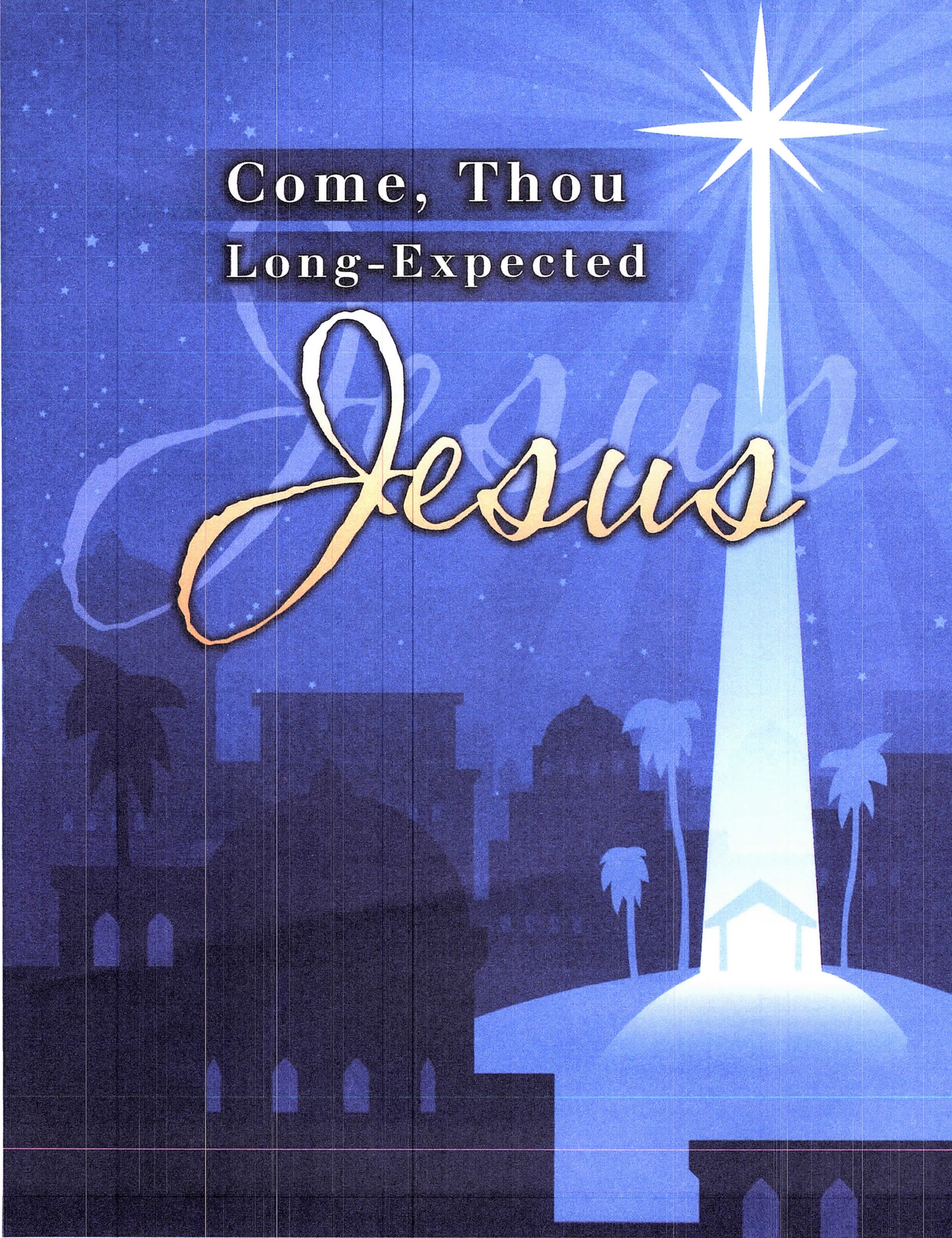


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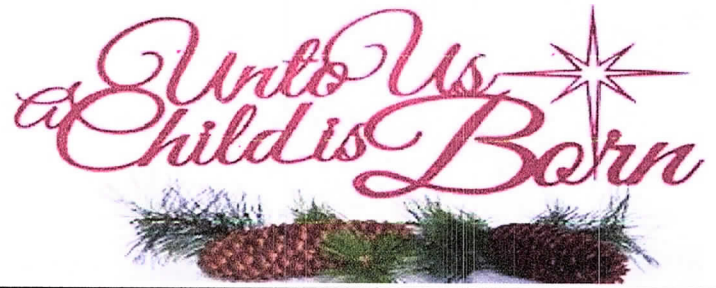




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Christmas Weekend 2021



Mass Intentions:

No Weekday Masses
Fr. Jeff Out of Town



Friday/Vigil

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Josephine Dunn

Saturday

Mary Mother of God

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Lucy Rietschlin, Harold "Yogi"
Moore, Mark Wolford, Rodney Cole

Sunday

Epiphany of the Lord

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Deceased of St. Joseph Parish

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Lucy Rietschlin, Jim & Nida Butz, John
Metzger

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Jan Horning

Dear Friends in Christ,

Merry Christmas! On behalf of our parish staff and school faculty, I sincerely hope that the remembrance of Christ's birth brings you much hope. As we celebrate Christmas, I would like to thank you for your presence and prayers this Christmas and each day especially on Sundays.

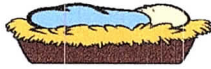
Know that I pray for you, your loved ones and your intentions. Thank you for lifting me in prayer as well. May you have the grace to find happiness and joy this Christmas and each day throughout the year.

In Joyful Hope,
Fr. Jeff

Come let us
Adore
Him



**Sacred Heart School
 Christmas Play
 December 24th at 3:45 p.m.
 Mass will follow at 4:30 p.m.
 Baby Jesus Portrayed By:
 Penelope June Gosser
 (Cody and Taylor Gosser)
 Born 06/29/21**



**Trivia Night Benefit
 January 7th
 6:30-9:00pm**

- * Raffles
- * Cash Games
- * Prize For Top Team
- * Pre-registration Required (on registers)
- * \$25 per Person/\$160 Team (8 max)
- * Adults Only/21 and Over



Prayer for Christmas Day

Loving Father, Help us to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake.

Amen

**Check out the
 Hallow App.**



During the Christmas season, we hope that you will continue to deepen your relationship with God through prayer, and as a parish we want to help you create a **consistent habit of prayer**, something that fellow parishioners who have used Hallow have said is one of the best things about praying with the app. As a Christmas gift to you, our parish is offering the premium subscription, Hallow Plus, to all parishioners **FREE OF CHARGE until Easter**. No credit card required. To get started, scan this QR code or go to hallow.com/holidaypackage and select Sacred Heart in the search bar.



January Birthdays

Jerry Schumacher	(3)	Edna Keller	(21)
Joyce Timmer	(5)	Gary Borgelt	(24)
Joyce Murphy	(5)	Steve Vogt	(27)
Robert Bell	(8)		
Rosemary Sutter	(9)		
Tom Young	(9)		
Margaret Keller	(10)		
Jim Gwirtz	(16)		

Liturgical Ministers

****Wednesday 12/29: No Mass****

Saturday, January 1st.

MUSIC MINISTER

TBD

SERVERS

Anna Vogt/Nathan Rietschlin

OFFERTORY

Need

EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS

*Deacon Steve Vogt, Jake Rietschlin
Need One*

USHERS

Nathan Metzger & Mark Vogt

LECTOR

Tom Metzger

Sunday, January 2nd.

MUSIC MINISTER

Adult Choir

SERVERS

Noah Metzger & Tessa Biglin

OFFERTORY

Family of Joseph Gwartz

EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS

*Dale Schroeder, Stan Cain
Need Two*

USHERS

Greg Gwartz & Mark Gwartz

LECTOR

Paula Goodman

COUNTERS

Linda Schroeder & Steve Metzger

Bible Readings for the Week of December 26th. 2021

Monday	1Jn 1:1-4, Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Tuesday	1Jn 1:5-2:2, Ps 124:2-5, 7c-8, Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday	1Jn 2:3-11, Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6, Lk 2:22-35
Thursday	1Jn 2:12-17, Ps 96:7-10, Lk 2:36-40
Friday	1Jn 2:18-21, Ps 96:1-2, 11-13, Jn 1:1-18
Saturday	Nm 6:22-27, Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21
Sunday	Is 60:1-6, Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12



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- *Joseph & Joyce Timmer
- *David & Becky Kromer
- *Steve & Sheila Vogt
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- *Richard & Marilyn Vogt
- *Jeff & Laura Nold
- *John & Karen Bonen
- *Steve & Margaret Keller
- *Lawrence Biglin
- *Joseph & Katherine DiLullo

In Memory of:

- LaVerne & Vincent Borgelt
- Mary Alice Biglin, Mark Wolford & Yogi Moore
- Jeanne Gosser
- John Metzger; Fr. Clem Metzger
- Deceased of the Leon Miller Family, Marie & Joe Biglin
- Ron Finnegan
- The Schroeder & Hoepf Families
- Bob Vogt
- Barney & Mary Young, Al & Jane Timmer
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- John Metzger; For the Founding Fathers of SHJ
- Charlie, Evelyn & Lynn Till, Waldo, Cecelia & Tyler Niese
- The Vogt & Horning Families
- Pat & Bernie Nold
- The Deceased Members of the Blum & Bonen Families
- The Keller & Williams Families
- With Love, Mary Alice Biglin; Keith Kryrock, Pat Biglin, Mark Wolford, Yogi Moore
- Deceased members of the DiLullo, Scaffidi, Rietschlin & Heydinger Families; Paul Richard Parrish

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Charles Studer

*Jeff & Molly Belcik

Grandpa Ronnie

*Janet Broach

Roger Broach

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Russell Myers & JoAnn Zitko

*Robert and Arinda Bell

Charlie Studer

*Kathy Cole & Family

Rodney Cole

*Andrew & Paula Rietschlin

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Prayer for the New Year

On New Year's Eve or New Year's Day, the household gathers at the table or at the Christmas tree or manger scene. Many people make New Year's Day a day of prayer for peace.

All make the sign of the cross. The leader begins:

Let us praise the Lord of days and seasons and years, saying:

Glory to God in the highest

R/. And peace to his people on earth

The leader may use these or similar words to introduce the blessing:

Our lives are made of days and nights, of seasons and years,
for we are part of a universe of suns and moons and planets.

We mark ends and we make beginnings and, in all, we praise God for the grace and mercy that fill our days.

Then the Scripture is read, Book of Genesis 1:14-19:

Listen to the words of the Book of Genesis:

God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth." And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the

darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

(The family's Bible may be used for an alternate reading such as Psalm 90:1-4.)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

After a time of silence, members of the household offer prayers of thanksgiving for the past year, and of intercession for the year to come. On January 1, it may be appropriate to conclude these prayers with the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (in Part VII: Litanies) since this is the solemn feast of Mary, Mother of God. In conclusion, all join hands for the Lord's Prayer. Then the leader continues:

Let us now pray for God's blessing in the new year.

After a short silence, parents may place their hands on their children in blessing as the leader says:

Remember us, O God;

from age to age be our comforter.

You have given us the wonder of time,

blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.

Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.

R/. Amen.



Another prayer for peace may be said:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
R/. Amen.

—Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi

The leader says:

Let us bless the Lord.

All respond, making the sign of the cross:

Thanks be to God.

The prayer may conclude with the singing of a Christmas carol.

