

# Welcome to the Church of Saint Richard of Chichester

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## January 8, 2023 The Epiphany of the Lord (USA)

**Mon. 1/9, The Baptism of the Lord**

**Tues. 1/10, Weekday**

**Wed. 1/11, 8:00am, Weekday**

Anna, John and Robert offered by Duke and Joan Demko

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday 8:30am (after Mass) followed by Benediction

### **Confession**

Wednesday 8:30am-9:00am

**Thurs. 1/12, 8:00am, Weekday**

Mr. & Mrs. Franks Morris offered by Family

**Fri. 1/13, Weekday;**

*St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**Sat. 1/14,**

**Confessions at 5:00pm – 5:15pm**

**Vigil Mass at 5:30pm**

Audrey Gallagher offered by Anne and Linda

**Sun. 1/15, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass at 10:30am**

Francis “Buddy” Trackim

offered by Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Dombrowski

## **Please Keep In Your Prayers**

Linda Agosti, Robert Allesch Sr., Ann Balas, William Bednar, Mark BeYoung, Joe Bones, Bob Bonner, Marge Coassolo, Ella Connolly, Paul Curley, Maria Cusati, Nina Day, Margie Felosci, Eddy Freer, Marci Gill, Peg Grigalonis, Bob Harvan, Dee Harvan, Valerie Higgins, Dr. Francis Kane, Paul Kerrick, Patrick Kotula, George Koval, Margaret Kufrovich, Linda Light, Theresa (Tess) McManus, Michael Matricion, Bonnie Morgan, Bobby Moucheron, Eric Richardson, Helene Richmond, Joel Rivera, Cathy Sanchez, Mattea Sanfilippo, Jonathan Schimpf, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Joe Shustack Sr., Dominic Streisel, Edward Surfield, Mary Ann Thompson

## **Devotional and Intercessory Candles:**

**Sacred Heart:** Special Intention by Duke and Joan

In Thanksgiving by Sue  
Special Intention by Sue & Jay  
Rest in God's Peace Jer, Love wife Pat  
In Loving Memory of my Al, Love Fran  
Rest in Peace Deb by Patty  
Healing for Joan Krasowski by sister-in-law Pat Tracy

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday ~ 9:00 am—12:00 pm  
 Bulletin announcements may be emailed or called in **no later than** Wednesday 12:00 noon. Thank you.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY, January 15th:**

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:**

Regular: \$3,130 ~ Candles: \$269

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

1/1~Initial Offering, Solemnity of Mary,  
 Parish Facility Fund;

1/8~Catholic Medical Foundation

(Special Diocesan Collection –there is no envelope for this collection);

1/15~Parish Utilities; 1/22~Parish Utilities;

1/29~Catholic Relief Services

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS:**

Available in the vestibule.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Grades 1 - 4; Sunday, January 8th at 9:30 am

Grades 5 - 8; Sunday, January 15th at 9:00 am

Grades 1 - 4; Sunday, January 22nd at 9:30 am

Grades 5 - 8; Sunday, January 29th at 9:00 am

All classes are held in the hall except when noted.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:**

Wednesday evenings, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm in the Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend.

**RCIA:**

The Second Vatican Council (1962-65) reaffirmed the unity of the sacraments of initiation through the restoration of the catechumenate (RCIA).

New sessions forming in February.

**UNDECORATING THE CHURCH:**

**THIS Sunday, January 8th at 1:00 pm.**

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:**

First meeting of 2023 held **this** Tuesday, January 10th at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room.

**LOTTERY CALENDARS:****Final December 2022 Winners**

12/26 Not Sold, #425, \$25

12/27 Josh Kachmar, #570, \$25

12/28 Frank Knizek, #066, \$25

12/29 Kaylee Ceci, #900, \$25

12/30 No Winner, #407, \$25

12/31 Mary Brassington, #785, \$100

Just a reminder, there are still January lottery calendars for sale.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:**

The change of weather is upon us. When the bad weather does occur, St. Richard will follow Mahanoy Area School District. If the district has a cancellation or delay because of weather, there will be NO weekday Mass. Fr. Finlan will celebrate Mass for your loved one privately.

**2023 MASS INTENTION BOOK: PLEASE READ**

The Mass Book is now open. Intentions will be accepted through the 2023 Revised Mass Intention Form (found in church or online) and can be mailed, placed in the collection, or dropped at the office. **Please use this revised form since it is different from previous years.** The form(s) must also be fully completed with the \$10 per Mass stipend enclosed.

As there is an overflow of Masses and Mass times are limited; we cannot guarantee a specific date and time for Mass intentions. To try and accommodate the intentions **(which also includes reserved dates)**, there is a limit of three Masses per family. Please also consider having a weekday Mass or remembering your loved one through the Eternal Remembrance Society, the Sanctuary Lamp or one of the Devotional Candles (Sacred Heart, Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Francis, St. Joseph, St. Richard).

If there is a question with your request, the office will contact you.

**Sponsor Eligibility:**

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered & active member of the parish, and if married, in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for additional information.

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Baptisms are usually celebrated on a Sunday afternoon. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic and also obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:**

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**Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service:**

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service @ [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.