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As a faith community, Notre Dame includes a wide range of parishioners residing throughout the region; families with children enrolled in our school; young adults, retirees and seasonal visitors. Embracing this diversity we will focus on bringing Christ and His teachings – the Good News – alive in the way we live and in how we interact with our parish, our school, and the extended community. We seek to welcome all to the Eucharist, to create better fellowship, to enrich and deepen our spiritual lives, and to fully embrace discipleship and stewardship.

COME * GROW * GIVE

WEEKEND EUCHARIST:

- * Saturday 4:00 p.m. – Sunday 9:30 a.m.
- * *From Memorial Day through Labor Day:*
Saturday 4:00 p.m. – Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST:

- * Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8:00 a.m.
- * 8:00 a.m. on First Saturday of month.
- * Wednesday and Thursday, a school Mass is held at 8:30 a.m.
- * *In summer*, daily Mass is at 8:00 a.m. Monday through Friday

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- * offered every Saturday, 2:45 – 3:45, or by appointment.

Please contact the parish office for assistance with the following:

- * Sacrament of Baptism
- * Adult Formation
- * Sacrament of Marriage
- * Sacrament of the Sick
- * Holy Communion for homebound

This Christmas Season, regift in good conscience

What to do when frankincense makes no sense. By Kathleen Manning, U.S. Catholic 12/2018

We have all been there: the thoughtful gift, selected with care, presented with pride. And we have absolutely no use for it. Maybe the gift is nice, but not to our taste. Maybe it is to our taste, and that's why we already own that sweater or that book. We smile and thank the giver, reminding ourselves it is the thought that counts. Then we look for discreet way to dispatch of the gift. Can it be returned? Donated? Regifted?

Our contemporary Christmas gift-giving is a relatively new custom, emerging only in the 19th century. Drawing on ancient Roman customs, most gift-giving in medieval Europe happened around the New Year. The noble classes who ruled Europe were the most lavish gift-givers and were also the people most at liberty to regift or repurpose things they had previously received.

In 1405, Isabeau of Bavaria gave an intricate tabernacle to her husband, King Charles VI of France. Covered in jewels, the elaborate decoration included a carved figure of Charles himself kneeling in prayer before a figure of the Madonna and Child. Thoughtful and expensive as the gift may have been, it was not long for the royal household. Within a year, Charles sold the tabernacle to help pay for, among other things, Isabeau's brother's wedding.

Other leaders could be even more ruthlessly pragmatic when it came to turning elaborate gifts into something useful. In 1381 Louis I of Anjou melted down an entire collection of gold gifts and decorative objects, converting them to the cash he needed to outfit his army for a military campaign!

Further down the medieval economic food chain, the emergence of an educated professional class of doctors, lawyers, and bureaucrats made books valuable and useful gifts. Still, books were difficult to manufacture and sharing used books was the norm unless one really hustled.

While life among the lower classes in the pre-industrial world always involved a fair amount of mending or repurposing used goods, outright

buying and selling secondhand merchandise was a more fraught affair than it was for the wealthy.

Old World prejudices against secondhand goods and their sellers were displaced thanks to mass production and puritan ideas about thrift. When gift items such as clothing and house wares could be mass produced, some American families found themselves in the unusual position of enjoying a surplus of things.

The solution to this problem was the emergence of the thrift shop. Administered by upper-middle-class Christian women and selling items that had been legally obtained via donation, usually from other upper-middle-class Christian women, thrift shops were everything the secondhand dealer was not. Consequently, buying goods with such a pedigree made the buyers, typically immigrants and workers, participants in a more respectable middle-class American economy, rather than the immigrant economy of peddlers and scrap-dealers. Or at least that was the vision of thrift store proprietors. Shoppers probably just wanted a few useful things at affordable prices.

The person who might be most sympathetic to our conflicted feelings about regifting is Mary. According to the Gospel of Matthew, sometime after Jesus' birth, magi from the east visited the holy family. The magi, a term indicating they were likely Zoroastrian astronomer-priests from the Persian empire brought gifts for Jesus: gold, frankincense and myrrh. There is no mention what Mary does with these gifts. Maybe she and Joseph left the gifts behind in Bethlehem when they had to flee to Egypt to avoid Herod's wrath. Despite being valuable goods, there is no indication that Mary and Joseph sold or traded them.

Nor do we learn of her possible befuddlement of the fact that, wise though they may have been, the magi did not know the three things new families really need are diapers, more diapers and sleep. As thoughtful, useless gifts float around us, waiting for the battle between our guilt and our pragmatism to determine an appropriate home for them, we may ultimately take strength in words from St. Augustine, "those who possess superfluities, possess the goods of others" Regift in good conscience.

The Epiphany of the Lord January 6, 2019

Epiphany – a Striking Appearance. This is truly a seven-way amazing day. (1) Easterners fix on a star. (2) Those Magi follow yet lose their way. (3) Magi ask for help to get to the right place. (4) They honor God. (5) They give away riches. (6) They pay attention to [God speaking in] dreams. (7) They go a new way.

- ◆ For what, for whom am I looking?
- ◆ What help do I need? Am I brave enough to ask?
- ◆ What am I willing to give away?

For the month of January, 2019 we will be chicken and beef broth for the Michigan City Soup Kitchens

Friday, January 25, 2019 and Friday February 22, Notre Dame Readers (f/k/a Rosarian Readers): Luncheon and Book Discussion. Call Diane DeKuyper for details @ 219-879-7128.

This Sunday, January 6, 2019 after the 9:30 Mass, we will be dismantling the church Christmas decorations. This is a great opportunity for service hours for ND student, parents and Marquette students. We especially wish to thank Donna Vilser for the beautiful holiday decorations this year and for many previous years. Donna is responsible for the beautiful holiday décor in Notre Dame Church. Donna is retiring from position as head of the Altar Guild. We are looking for someone to fill her creative shoes.

Please note that we resume our regular schedule of Masses this week: 8:00 Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Friday; 8:30 Mass on Wednesday and Thursday with our school children

SYRIAN REFUGEE MEDICAL MISSION JORDANIAN 2019

Notre Dame Parish will again provide an opportunity for parishioners/visitors to support the life saving work of the Syrian American Medical Society (SAMS) for the people of Syria as they enter the ninth year of civil war. Parishioner Monica Lorimer has again been selected to provide general surgery to Syrian refugees during the SAMS mission in January in Al Za Atari refugee camp and the surrounding area. Monica will speak at Masses January 12 & 13 and a second collection will be offered to support the humanitarian efforts of SAMS. If you would like to read more about the incredible efforts of SAMS, please see their website – Sams-usa.net. You may directly donate to this effort at <https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/JordanJan2019/MonicaLorimer>



Mary, Mother of God
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL
January 1, 2018

For the family of the Church: that repentance, reform, and mercy might heal the wounds of sexual abuse and scandal in victims, predators, and pastors, we pray...

For workers and families affected by the U.S. government shutdown: that sound and responsible leadership might displace petty politics, we pray...

For expectant mothers, especially those who do not have access to health care, clean water, and sanitary conditions, we pray...

For youth, young adults, and others discerning a vocation to ministry and religious life in the Church: that they might answer God's call to be about his business, we pray...

For war orphans, abandoned children, the starving children of Yemen, and all who suffer through no fault of their own: that justice and mercy might find and rescue them, we pray...

For the prayers written in our Parish Book of Intentions, and for those that now arise in our hearts (*pause*): that we might always have confidence in God, we pray...

January 1, 9:30 a.m.

For the eternal rest of Reda Venckus, remembered at this Mass, and for all the faithful departed: that they may enjoy the fullness of life as children of God, we pray...

Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 6, 2019

The Epiphany

8:00+Joan & Mike King by Family

4:00+ Walter Quinlan by Pat & Mary McDonald

9:30+ Szostak, Martonisi & Kazwara Families

Mon. Jan. 7, 2019*Christmas Weekday

8:00+Robert Hood by Family

Tues. Jan. 8, 2019*Christmas Weekday

8:00+Paul Nealis by Kitty & Charlie Cate

Weds. Jan. 9, 2019* Christmas Weekday

8:30+Walter Quinlan by Rima & Walter Binder

Thurs. Jan 10, 2019* Christmas Weekday

8:30 +Notre Dame Families

Fri. Jan 11, 2019* Christmas Weekday

8:00+Mary Ann Hogan by Mike & Kathy Brennan

Sat. Jan. 12, 2019* Christmas Weekday

4:00+Robert Grabowski by Rita Fink

Sunday Jan. 13, 2019*The Baptism of the Lord

9:30+Walter Quinlan by Rima & Walter Binder

Sunday Collection

Amount need to meet expenses \$ 7,200.00

December 23, 2018	5,816.00
EFT December	<u>1,967.40</u>
TOTAL	\$7,783.40

Michigan City Poor Christmas 2018	\$ 2,176.00.
	\$20,808.00

December 30, 2018	3,672.50
EFT December	<u>1,967.40</u>
TOTAL	\$5,639.90

January 1, 2019	1,448.00
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Ministries



Eucharistic Ministers Jan 12 & 13, 2019

4:00 L&C Morris R Fink M McFadden B Kennedy

9:30 S Ankony N&S Walz B Macudzinski B Lee

Lectors Jan 12 & 13, 2019

4:00 L Morris

9:30 S Ankony

Greeters Jan 12 & 13, 2019

4:00 B Dahlberg

9:30 D Millick

Altar Servers Jan 12 & 13, 2019

4:00 G& W Gibson G Lewalski

9:30 S Smith A McKee M Guhlstorf

Eucharistic Ministers Jan. 19 & 20, 2019

4:00 B Lee D Albers R Binder J&T McDonald

9:30 E Rudzevicius J Butcher J Williams L Leniski N Magnuson

Lectors Jan. 19 & 20, 2019

4:00 B Lee

9:30 J Butcher

Greeters Jan 19 & 20 2019

4:00 B Walsh

9:30 L&G Evans

Altar Servers Jan. 19 & 20, 2019

4:00 S Guenin, B Lee

9:30 A Rudzevicius M Williams M Wiggins

Children's Liturgy of the Word @ 9:30 Mass

Jan 13: N Magnuson

RITTENHOUSE: M Hayes

SAND: L Malizia

FLOWERS: M Sheehy

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