

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2025

“Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you. Your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant in what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow. For the riches of the sea will be emptied out before you, the wealth of the nations shall be brought to you.”

We know this feast by different names, Epiphany, The Three Kings, with different gifts representing kingship, priestly sacrifice and anointing, the three roles of our Savior, priest, prophet and king. Listening to Isaiah in the passage, may we find particular and personal significance for the day we celebrate. We learn that the pagan pilgrims from the east represent all of us, called, gathered and redeemed by Jesus Christ.

We raise our eyes and look about. Our communities reflect diversity in race, ethnic origin, cultures, language, represented by those who followed the star which led them to Jesus. We are led by God’s grace discovering the greatest gift ever, the incarnation, the birth and abiding presence of Jesus. Traditions continue and today may we add one more gift to the Lord, the gift of ourselves. Like the magi may we pray, reflect and adore the Christ, Emmanuel, God with us.



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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Masses: 7:30 AM (Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Fri.) – St. Denis Church
Saturday: 8:30 AM – St. Denis Church
Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM (fulfills Sunday obligation) - St. Denis Church
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM - St. Denis Church
Mass is shown on the Parish Facebook Page each weekend.
Sunday: 10:00 AM - Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel
Holy Days: See bulletin or website for schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 pm & by appointment.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL DEVOTIONS: Tuesday morning after the 7:30 AM Mass-St. Denis Church

BAPTISM: The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Parents must complete the required preparation with the Pastoral Associate and obtain godparent eligibility letters before a date for Baptism will be given. Please call the rectory for further details.

MARRIAGE: Please contact the rectory office for more information about weddings. All couples contemplating marriage are asked to give the priests one year prior notice in order that all the requirements for marriage can be satisfied. Do not reserve the reception hall before contacting the church; your requested date may not be available.

CARE OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: We will gladly bring Holy Communion to anyone who is ill or otherwise unable to get to Mass. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. The priests and deacon make regular visits to the local hospitals. Please call the rectory if any loved one is hospitalized.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL: At such times of deep pain and loss, we seek to offer our bereaved families comfort and hope as they commend their loved ones to God. Please note that, in accordance with Church regulations, eulogies are not permitted during Funeral Masses.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM-12:00 noon & 1:00 PM- 4:30 PM, Friday 8:30 AM- 12:00 noon only. There are no office hours on Saturday & Sunday. Evenings are by appointment only.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! We encourage new families moving into the area to stop in or call the rectory to arrange for registration.

CELIAC SPRUE PARISHIONERS – Saint Denis provides a low gluten (<0.01% gluten content) host. Parishioners who are gluten-intolerant should see a deacon or priest prior to the start of Mass in order to be included in the reception of the Eucharist.

VISIT US ON FACEBOOK- Saint Denis Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/churchofstdenis. You don't need to have a Facebook account to read parish news and updates, but would need one to leave comments and feedback.

**Saturday, January 4, 2025**

8:30 am Denise & James Hogan by Deacon Gary
 8:30 am Billy Slabinski by Deacon Gary
 8:30 am Peter McGuigan by Lois & Denis Campbell
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 5, 2025

8:00 am Dorothy Ryan by the Walsh Family
 8:00 am Josephine Gagliardi by Mark & Denise Olear
 8:00 am Ann Zito by the Quigley Family
 9:30 am Joan Clarkin Heary
 by the Knights of Columbus 3231
 9:30 am Rita Windas by the Galeotafiore Family
 9:30 am Janice Kircher by the Trengrove Family
 10:00 am Len Tylka by Michele & Jeff Kellner
 10:00 am Rita Larkin by Helen & Bob Young
 10:00 am Tom Mahedy by Kevin & Lynn Reynolds

Monday, January 6, 2025

7:30 am Lee Wagstatt by the Jakovic Family
 7:30 am Allan Bessemer by Fran Weeks
 7:30 am Esther Daniels by Terry McCormick

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

7:30 am Gene Ritter by Joan Smith
 7:30 am Kathleen Moskal by MCW
 7:30 am Ann Marie Criss by Kathleen Culley & Family

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

7:30 am Allen Bessemer by Gene Bialas
 7:30 am Anthony Anzevino by Frank & Rachel
 7:30 am Lillian Gross by St. Denis Food Pantry

Thursday, January 9, 2025

No Mass

Friday, January 10, 2025

7:30 am Rose Vaccarino by Mr. & Mrs. Russell Gartz
 7:30 am Brandon Latchford by the Conrey Family
 7:30 am Carmella Sarro by Rob & Courtney Sorg

Saturday, January 11, 2025

8:30 am Blanche Bielinski by Karen J. Witzcak
 8:30 am Tina O'Donnell by John O'Donnell
 8:30 am Carmella Sarro by Evan Sorg & Eric Miller
 4:30 pm Deceased Members of the Doherty Family
 by Tom & Kerry O'Connor
 4:30 pm Joseph Mele Sr. by Joe Mele, Jr.
 4:30 pm Rita Windas by Paul Garvety

Sunday, January 12, 2025

8:00 am For the People of the Parish
 9:30 am Josephine Gagliardi by Ann & Bob Cavallaro
 9:30 am Ellen Brown by Tom Giordano
 9:30 am Marilyn Siracuse by Michele & Jeff Kellner
 10:00 am Maureen Sniatkowski by Michele & Jeff Kellner
 10:00 am Edward White by Carol Rizzi
 10:00 am Dennis A. Collins by the Welch Family

SAINT DENIS PRAYER GROUP-The Prayer Group meets at 12:00 noon each Monday in St. Denis Church. There are no meetings on holidays. All are welcome.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially Theresa Luzzi, Gene Ertle and Sherry Lee.



especially Doris Abruzzo, Maiya Andrews, Velma Andrews, Peggy Andrich, Baby Lucy, Bobbie Banks-Grove, Joseph Bartol, Edith Bean, Belle & Ashton, Bernadette Bevan, Stanley Bevan, Joseph Bick, Borgias Family, Holly Boyd, Cathleen Brenner, Penny Broderick, Lois Brookes, Ann Brown, Karen Brown, Eileen Byrne, Barbara Cabrera, Campbell Family, Dule Campbell, Sean Campbell, Mary Carstens-Lockenmeyer, Amanda Castro, Albert J. Cifelli, Mark Clarkin, Elizabeth Clos, Baby Aubrey Rose Cirinia, Christine Coburn, Mary Collins, Mary Conlon, Jimmy Conrey, Rick Constrisciano, Thomas P. Coyle, Linda Custode, Mary Damico, Christine Danish, Duane Danish, Rose DeMarco, Michael Desider, Constance & Hugh Doherty, Lisa Dunfee, Thomas Evans, Thomas Fahey, Chris Faraca, Joseph Fiamingo, Christine Fields Nannette Forkan, Denise Frank, Louise Franzetti, Norma Friel, Madeline Fuccile, John Gallo, Katherine Geiger, Sharon Gergich, Nicole Giambrone, Johnny Gondek, Baby Kelly Grace, Phillip Graceffa, Daniel Griffith, Julianna Grusso, Angeline Hart, Irene Hayes, Jeanne Hayes, Teresa Hayes, Thomas Hayes Jr, Beverly Heinz, Shawn Herenburg, Katie Holbrook, Alyson Honrath, Jimi Hood, Lori Hurd, Baby Cayden Joseph, Gordon Justin, Eugene Karpinski, Haley Keating, Marian Keefe, Catherine Kelleher, Robert Kelleher, Katherine Kelly, Bill Koch, Bridget Korn, Christopher Kurtanick, Kelly Layton, Ann Lehberger, William Liao, Barbara Liggett, Elizabeth Ann Linden, Joan Lipscomb, Nick Ljuljana, Frank Lopez, Linda Lowery, Barbara Magda, Madison Marmo, Linda Matthews, Ronnie Micciulla, Michael McGonigle, Helen McGowan, Michael McNulty, Claire Meachum, Frank Meidenbauer, Peter Merz, Nair Messias, Marylee Monsell, Gloria Moore, Mary Moran, Elizabeth Morgan, Margaret Mullin, Nancy Murphy, Pauline Naturile, Nesbitt Family, Jack Noble, Jennifer Noble, Bob O'Brien, Catherine O'Connor, Sue O'Connor, Mark Olear, Gerald O'Keefe, Raymond J. O'Meara, Diane Padluck, Wes Pal, Dolores Palmisano, Joanne Panzarella, Joseph Pastore, Danny L. Payne, Charlotte Pentek, Tony Picinich, Mike Pierce, Janice Pinkerton, Lisa Pirrello, Marty Pirrong, Samara Pirrong, Kidron Procyson, Timothy Michal Przywara, Irene Pstrak, Vera Raffetto, Windell Rainey, Leanna Rawson, Joan Regan, Al Ricciardi, Marybeth Richards, Joel Rivera, Patricia Rodgers, Taryn Rotondi, Christina Roundtree, Christian Russo, Donna Schwear, Slotnick Family, Katie Spawn, Susan Suagee, Danny Suskevich, Sadie Svenson, Laurie Syby, Marie Tashjian, Cindy Tomkins, Paul Tuyp, Phyllis Van Salders, Riley Veazey, Dee Vulgaris, Siobhan Vuono, Christopher Waters, Erin Waters, Stephen Whyte, Kathy Wicks, Karen Williams, Marilyn Woerner, Patricia Wolfe, Albert Wood, Butch Wright, Eileen Zemo, and Werner Ziesmer.



We welcome into our parish family
the following children who were brought to the Lord
through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Maximilian Thomas Lay

&

Olivia Aleksandra Lay

May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION takes place First
Fridays, from noon to 1 pm, in the church. We look
forward to the beautiful prayer of presence with our
Lord.

ST. DENIS MEN'S GROUP-The Purpose of our Men's Group is to enrich the lives of men by providing opportunities to enjoy a sense of brotherhood and spiritual growth. We recently kicked off our Fall/Winter Program, *The Bible and the Sacraments*, from The St. Paul Center. As Catholics, we know the sacraments are important. However, many of us never fully grasp how life-changing these "masterworks of God" really are. This program reviews the basic teaching of the Church as to the sacraments meaning and origin, but goes further. It investigates the deeper mystery of the sacraments as illuminated by Sacred Scripture and reveals the sacraments as more than mere earthly rituals. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6 pm in the St Denis Parish Center. Men will view a short video at home at their convenience and we'll discuss the video during our meeting. If you miss some meetings, you can still participate by viewing the videos at home. Join us to gain a real appreciation for our sacraments. Bring a friend! For info call the rectory at 732 223-0287.

JESUS AND JOCKO-DISCIPLINE=FREEDOM=HOPE- Men of the parish are invited to a discussion on Tuesday, 21 January at 7 pm in the church. We will be looking at the book "Extreme Ownership" by Jocko Willink and Lief Babin, and the teachings of Jesus, as well as looking into the New Year with resolutions and Hope. (Reading the book is not required.)



especially USMC Sgt. Jordan Basile, Coast Guard Petty Officer Joseph Beattie, USMC Corporal Patrick Bednarski, USMC Capt. Philip Cahill, Army Major Matthew Cauda, Army PFC Ryan Costello, Air Force 1st Lt. Dominic Celiano, Army Lt. Nik-kole Crosson, Army Captain Dr. Justin Eisenman,

Army 2nd Lieutenant Brendan Ertle, USMC Corporal Hunter Fancher, USAF Airman 1st Class Tristan Fancher, Army Major Sean Fessenden, USMC PFC Joseph J. Foley Jr, US Army 2nd Lt. Valerie Goodwin, US Army 2nd Lt. Christopher Halmi, US Army 2nd Lt. Mia Halmi, USAF Cadet Thomas Halmi, USMC Captain Diego Heinzerling, Lt. Jg. Mary T. Herman, Navy LS2 Nora N. Honrath, Navy Lt. Commander Rachael M. Honrath, US Army Airborne Private Zachary Hoyle, US Army 2nd Lt. Allison M. Ingraham, Air Force Academy Cadet 2nd Class Slade Kelling, USMC Lance Corporal Laura Licata, Navy E4 Patrick Moynihan, USMC Private Robert E. Mullin IV, Navy CM Taylor Nesbitt, Contractor Benjamin Ostrow, Army Lt. Brian Quinn, Coast Guard Seaman Anthony Scala, Air Force Major David Smith, Army Private 1st Class Cody Svenson, Air Force 2nd Lt. Jason Trischitta, Army Matthew Van Pelt, Navy Captain Colin S. Walsh, Navy LL. Edward P. Windas, and USN LTJG Michael Zimmerman.

ST. DENIS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP- If you are experiencing the loss of someone in your life we welcome you to join with others who are bereaved to share in your loss. Through mutual sharing with guidance this series will offer support, prayer and work on answering questions about loss, grief, coping and potential for the renewal of self and hope. Join us on: Thursdays Morning Sessions: 10-11 am at the St Denis Parish Office Conference Room Contact Eileen Ziesmer at (732) 223-0287 / eileenbiesmer@gmail.com to let us know you plan to attend or with any questions!

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS – Those in need of these specially approved Communion hosts at Mass are invited to receive from the priest. Look for the small cup attached to the priest's ciborium, in order to receive the sacramental Body of Christ with a low gluten host.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD-Participating children, ages 4-10, will be seated with their families for the Introductory Rites of the Mass. The group will be dismissed to their gathering space downstairs to share an age-appropriate reflection on the Sunday readings. Everyone will rejoin their families prior to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. We will celebrate every other week: 1/12, 1/26, 2/9, and 2/23. We hope your children will join us!! For more information please contact the rectory.

ST. DENIS/HOLY TRINITY "AMEN EFFECT" BOOK STUDY- Fr. Bill and Pastor Mary will lead discussions on "the amen effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend our Broken Hearts and World" by Rabbi Sharon Brous: Wednesdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19 11 am-12pm at Holy Trinity and 7-8 pm in St. Denis Parish Center. Brous writes about the healing power of "showing up" for individuals and the community in times of pain and sorrow, joy and celebration. She offers compelling examples and invites us to consider how to mend broken hearts and rebuild our society in times of loneliness and isolation. Join the conversation! (Check out this interview with the author: <https://streicker.nyc/past-event-recordings>.)

FIFTEEN:5- A Catholic Community of Faith, Family, and Friends. Our initial program is for those aged mid 20's through their 40's (single or married). We meet once a month in the St. Denis Parish Center. Our next meeting (tentatively January 25th) will be a social event with food, beverages, fellowship, and a short video from The Search, followed by discussion. The Search asks where our journey is taking us and what do we really want from our life during this journey. The feedback from our initial meetings has been very positive! Please plan to join us in January to socialize a bit and gain a better understanding of our purpose. Feel free to come with friends and/or family members. FIFTEEN:5 hopes to create a community of peers gaining a better understanding of our faith and living Christian values, especially within the challenges we encounter in everyday life. We plan to accomplish this through programs, events, and activities (including charitable works and family activities). For information, contact the rectory office at 732 223-0287.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT- The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline: 888-296-2965.



In Loving Memory of
Sal Jr., David, & Peter Zocchi
by Their Parents

SURVIVING DIVORCE, HOPE AND HEALING FOR THE CATHOLIC FAMILY- St. Leo's in Lincroft is pleased to announce its continuing ministry for Separated and Divorced Catholics. It is called "Surviving The Holidays" Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family" (www.catholicsdivorce.com). St. Leo's will be hosting an information night on Thursday, January 16, 2025 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall located at 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft, NJ. This information night will help you decide if you would like to attend our upcoming 12-week program starting in March of 2025 on Thursday nights. All the details will be provided to you at the information night. If you would like more information about our offerings, please check out our Ministry page at: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry>. All are welcome! To register or if you are interested and would like more information, please email Michele Coppola Wilson at healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com.

RECOVERY CORNER

Monday 7PM "SMART Recovery for Family and Friends"...Education and support using current concepts and a workbook, continuously cycling through the year. Right things, not wrong things. Presently just virtual on Zoom.
Thursday 10AM "Life Recovery Bible Study"...Same as above but specializing in corollary readings from the 12 Gifts, the 12 Laws, the 12 Missteps of recovery and other corollary readings. Presently just virtual on Zoom. Call the rectory office for more info. Life Recovery Bible Weekly Podcasts by City of Angels Recovery Radio-<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=st.shoutca.sh.coan> Download this app to listen to Life Recovery Bible podcasts. New ones can be heard each Sunday at 10AM and 10PM. There is a library of older podcasts. Please share with friends.
Thursday 7PM "Life Recovery Bible Study"...The 12 steps of Anonymous Recovery framed in their origin in holy scripture along with corollary readings. An education and support program featuring scripture and workbook assistance to enlighten and empower those seeking recovery from substance or behaviors. Presently just virtual on Zoom. Call the rectory office for more information.




FAITH FORMATION AND PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE- All those in parish ministry are invited to attend the Diocese of Trenton's Faith Formation and Parish Ministry Conference on March 29, 2025 which will be held at St. John Vianney High School in Holmdel. We will have over 30 workshop speakers in both English and Spanish. Our keynote speakers will be Chris Padgett (English) and Fr. Agostino Torres, CFR (Spanish). Bishop David M. O'Connell will be our celebrant for Mass. There will be something for everyone, from catechists to OCIA teams, to pastoral care ministers. Registration opens Sunday, December 29th with an early registration fee of \$25.00. For more information visit: www.dioceseoftrenton.org/hope2025.

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Friday JANUARY 24 11:00AM
Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

All are Welcome • No RSVP needed



For full information about the day's events, visit: dioceseoftrenton.org/standing-together-for-life

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



In the Gospel, Jesus once asked "who are you looking for". Perhaps it is happiness we seek, but sometimes we are looking for happiness in selfish ways. However, we also find that when we look for ways to make others happy or a bit more secure, it is then that we become truly happy and witness God's love. The Vincentian Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes. As you give your gift or your time to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and trust.

If you have an interest in seeing how you can help those in need, come to the Society's next meeting on January 16, 2025 at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

If assistance is needed, encourage the person to call our direct hotline and leave a message (732-223-1383). If you would like to donate, checks can be made payable to: SVDP/St. Denis Conference.

HENRY B. KING MEDICAL BRIGADE BON VOYAGEPARTY-The annual HBK Bon Voyage Party for the 32nd Mission to Honduras will take place on Saturday, February 15th, 2025 from noon to 4pm at the Beach Haus Brewery, 801 Main St, Belmar, NJ 07719; <https://beachhausbeer.com/>. The party includes a full buffet lunch, soda, cash bar, coffee, tea and a gift auction. Pre-sale ticket price is \$65 per person, kids are \$10. At the door price is \$70. For information on ordering tickets, please call the rectory at 732-223-0287. Come party with us and celebrate our 32nd mission trip to Honduras which is scheduled for early April 2025. We are excited to announce that we have updated our GoFundMe.com website- (<https://henrybkingmedicalbrigade.com/>).

ALTAR FLOWERS – Parishioners may reserve the flower arrangement near the altar, for a week at a time, in “memory of” or “honor of” someone or some occasion. Weekend flowers are billed to the parish at \$150 per arrangement so the suggested donation for flowers is \$150. Due to liturgical and church calendar requirements, donations toward floral arrangements do not permit the donor to choose the color, style or flower type. Reservations will be taken by the rectory staff during business hours.

WORD OF LIFE --

provided by Mary’s Child Pro-Life Ministry

“Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities *“The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”*

ACTION CENTER

MASS FOR LIFE with Bishop O’Connell at 11:00 AM on Friday January 24th at the Co-Cathedral in Freehold. Immediately following, there will be **LIFE EXPO!** featuring life affirming organizations and groups that support human dignity from womb to tomb, and everywhere in between. This dynamic exhibit hall will offer attendees opportunities for learning, networking and engagement while fostering new friendships, strengthening bonds with our community, and enjoying delicious refreshments! All are welcome! NO RSVP needed.

CONFUSED ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES? The Catholic Church maintains that LIFE is the pre-eminent social justice issue while the media instead tells a story of much needed healthcare and women’s reproductive rights. What is the truth? Take a copy of the pamphlet in the back of the church titled *“Why We’re Pro-life by Trent Horn”* for a concise summary from a Catholic viewpoint on many questions surrounding abortion.

THE MISSION OF MARY’S CHILD MINISTRY is to defend the truth of Jesus Christ. Each human being is a gift from God, made in His image and likeness, worthy of dignity, respect, and protection from conception until natural death. We raise our prayers, concerns, and funds in support of this Truth, and we support organizations that consistently live and value the Gospel of Life. If interested in this ministry, contact the rectory for our parish Pro-Life representative.

VISIT OUR WEBSITES: dioceseoftrenton.org/respect-life-ministry USCCB: usccb.org/prolife OR respectlife.org

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER BILL

Happy New Year and Happy Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. We also enter into this Jubilee Year of Hope. Pope Francis proclaimed the Jubilee Year in a papal bull titled “Hope Does Not Disappoint” (Romans 5:5) as a time to rediscover, proclaim and build hope. The official opening of the Jubilee Year took place on Christmas Eve when Pope Francis entered the normally bricked-up Holy Door of St. Peter’s Basilica at the Vatican. “We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision,” Pope Francis said. “The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope.”

In addition to the Cathedral and Co-Cathedral, Bishop O’Connell has designated the following churches as a Holy Year site where people can visit to obtain the plenary indulgence of the Jubilee. The local pastor will establish the day and times the church will be open for pilgrims:

Burlington County: St. Joan of Arc Church, Marlton

Mercer County: St. Anthony Church, Hamilton

Monmouth County: Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Long Branch

Ocean County: St. Mary Church, Barnegat

The Star that shone over the place where our newborn Lord was, was certainly a cause for Jubilee of Hope for all people. As we go journey through 2025 as Pilgrims of Hope, we look forward to all the celebrations of the Jubilee in our Diocese and our parish. May God guide us, as God guided the Wise Men, to Hope realized and actualized by our prayer and acts of devotion and service.

With “hope” in mind, there will be a New Year’s discussion for the men of the parish on Jan. 21 at 7 pm in the church. Fr. Bill will discuss resolutions to better one’s self in the New Year looking at Jesus, Jocko Willink, David Goggins and the Jubilee Year of Hope.

BUILDING REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE COLLECTION- Next weekend our second collection will be for repairs and maintenance of our parish buildings. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



December 22, 2024

Weekly Collection-

\$11,057.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !



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restart
on 1/7 & 1/8**

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