Our Parish

January 8, 2023 Epiphany of the Lord (A) Isaiah 60:1–6 / Ephesians 3:2–3, 5–6 / Matthew 2:1–12





On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

MATTHEW 2:11

# A Trip Called Life

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

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Like the *Magi* who stopped in Jerusalem and asked if anyone knew something about what they were seeking, we begin asking around. Some people we ask aren't sure what we are asking, like Herod. Others seem able to offer suggestions, but for our purposes it is not an answer but only points the way. Then one day we happen to stumble on what we've been looking for all along. Some people call it a religious experience. To describe it to someone else, we might be at a loss for words. Yet it touches us so deeply that it seems to change our lives. We begin to let go of what we once thought was so important—the gold, frankincense, and myrrh of our lives. And like the Wise Men, we journey on with our lives, except by a different route, sensing that the path we had thus far traveled was no longer a safe journey home.

#### -Reflect-

Is anything of the Magi story also your story? If so, reflect on yours.

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### **Sacred Heart Catholic Church**

Fr. Sebastian Devasya, Pastor P.O. Box 1310 507 Harrison St. Princeton, WV 24740-1310

#### January 7 & 8, 2023

CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE SUNDAY MASS IS AVAILABLE ON LIVESTREAM www.facebook.com/sacredheartprincetonSacred Heart Princeton (@shprinceton) • Instagram photos and videos

### **Mass Intentions:**

Saturday, January 7, 4pm - <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Willie Constantino by Virgina Manley Sunday, January 8, 11am - <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Souls in Purgatory by Maria Franco Tuesday, January 10, 6pm - No Mass Thursday, January 12, Noon - No Mass Saturday, January 14, 4pm - <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Souls in Purgatory by Maria Franco Sunday, January 15, 11am - <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Tom McMahon by Joe Kaminski

### **Upcoming Church Events**

<u>Dec 30 - Feb 2</u>, **No Weekday** Mass, Fr. Sebastian is out of town. <u>Fri, Feb 3</u>, Noon, First Friday Mass <u>Tue, Feb 7</u>, Finance Council <u>Feb 8-9</u>, No Mass, Fr. Sebastian at Presbyteral Council <u>Tue, Feb 14</u>, Parish Council

### **Church Staff**

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Youth Ministry: Lorin Albin lorin@sacredheartprinceton.org

Newman Center: Paul Krause <u>pkrause@dwc.org</u>

### **Deacon Don's Funeral**



Monday, Jan 9th at 11am Visitation 1 hour before. The funeral will be livestreamed on Bluefield Sacred Heart's Facebook page Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bluefield WV | Bluefield WV | Facebook



#### Our Condolences to Loretta and family.

"Lord, we come before you with heavy hearts as we say goodbye to Deacon Don. Please bring comfort and peace to those who mourn his loss, and may they find hope in your loving presence and the promise of eternal life. Amen."

### **Together in Holiness**



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#### **REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

Susie Lopez, Conference Coordinator 832.779.1070 TH@forlifeandfamily.org

Early Bird Couple: \$27 | Early Bird Individual: \$18 Early Bird pricing ends January 9. A box lunch and a light afternoon snack is included for each adult registrant.
Couple: \$32 | Individual: \$20 On-site Childcare (2-12 yrs): \$5/child Scholarships for couples and individuals are

### Abel Pregnancy Center invites you to attend:

You are invited to participate in a workshop to equip Christians to effectively and compassionately mentor women and men, to make a decision for LIFE, who are at risk of making a decision for abortion. Please spread the word if you or if you know someone who would like to attend the training. Date: Saturday, 01/28/2 Time: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm Place: Cornerstone Family Church 119 Brick St. Princeton, WV 24740 Lite snacks and drinks lunch provided -

NO Childcare provided.

#### Deadline to RSVP Jan 21.

#### Three methods to register.

- 1. Call the office at 304-325-2000
- 2. Register online at https:// www.aprcfundraiser/mld
- You may also register vial email with name, phone number and how many are attending.

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### **Register on Formed, We also get AMEN for FREE**

### **Eucharistic Revival**



Our Deepest Sympathies to all those who knew and cherished our previous Pope

Emeritus Benedict XVI who passed away on December 31, 2022.



## Eucharistic Revival

### January 8, 2023 - The Epiphany of the Lord

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. (Collect, Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord)

### Formed, Pick of the Week



Reborn - Episode 1: A New Creation This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning

behind your Baptism! https://watch.formed.org/videos/a-new-creation-the-mystery-ofbaptism

### The Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary



A Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries: The Baptism of Jesus (Part 1) Why was Jesus baptized by John the Baptist and what does this mean for the Sacrament of Baptism? Sit down with Taylor Kemp and Dr. Michael Barber as they unpack the first Luminous Mystery of the Rosary.

https://watch.formed.org/videos/a-bible-study-onthe-luminous-mysteries-the-baptism-of-the-lord-part-1

### **Religious Education**

#### **Faith Formation**

Schedule:

**Faith Formation** 

January 8, 15, 22, 29

Youth Sunday:

Jan 15

Feb 19

Mar 19

#### Youth Ministry:

Jan 7

**K-2 Lesson Theme:** Jesus is the Son of God.

Word of the Week: Promise: Baptism

**Grades: 3-6 Lesson Theme:** Jesus is Savior and Lord of all.

> Word of the Week: Venture: Incarnation

Recently, my oldest child was confirmed. I've been through Confirmation a number of times as a catechist and as a family member. Because I'm a convert, my own Confirmation was different than what the teens in my life have experienced.

For one thing, I didn't feel like I had to "survive" it. There's enough information coming at you — mom, catechist, and/or sponsor — to drown you in details (and graces?).

For another thing, mine was a three-fer: As an adult catechumen, I had a Baptism+ Confirmation+First Communion experience all in one night. I didn't go shopping for a new out-fit; I didn't expect gifts; I didn't get to meet the bishop. After nearly a decade of Confirmation from one angle or another, here are my survival tips.<u>Surviving Confirmation: Tips for parents, catechists, and other humans - Teaching Catholic Kids</u>

#### **Baptism of the Lord**

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord celebrates the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. We know that — since Jesus was born without sin — he did not really need to be baptized. And yet, Jesus welcomes his own baptism as an example for the rest of us and as a sign of his true identity. He is God's son, the living presence of God on earth. When we renew our baptismal promises, we proclaim our belief in the waters of baptism and our new and ongoing life in Christ.

Take some time this month to talk to your kids about their own baptism (even if you've told the story before!). Talk about who was there, how their godparents were chosen and the celebration after the ritual. Our kids love to hear fun details — our oldest dropped his pacifier in the font and our youngest howled loudly throughout the blessed event. What a great time to share that Jesus is with us always, even when things don't go as perfectly as planned. Baptism of Our Lord - Teaching Catholic Kids

### **Youth Ministry**

The youth ministry is planning an Epiphany Dinner on Saturday, January 7th from 4:00 - 8:00 pm.

Contact Lorin Albin at 540-529-6495 if you have any questions.

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

Women's Group Thursdays at 10:15 am in the Conference Room **Men's Group** First and Third Thursday at 10 am in the Narthex

#### Book Study

Next time is January 11, we will be doing pages 38 through 44

### **Parish Council & Music**

#### Parish Councils

#### Pastoral Council Members:

Deb LaMothe (Chair)	Vickie Blankenship
Harold Cofer	Gerry Cosgrove
Zack Romano,	Anthony Heltzel
Santina St. John	Renee Green
Mike Flanigan	
Ad Hoc:	Gina Boggess

Kim Hickman

Laura Wyatt

#### Finance Council Members:

Charlie Pace (Chair), Shelby Neri, Fred St. John, Kevin Garrett,

Ad Hoc member:

Gina Boggess, Frank Sinicrope, Richard Flanigan, Gene Richardson.

Kim Hickman

Epiphany of the Lord Music for January 8, 2023 Mass of Christ the Savior Mass Readings on pg. 193 Word & Eucharist

Entrance: G463 "We Three Kings of Orient Are" **Responsorial Psalm: G72** Every Nation on Earth Presentation of Gifts: G465 "As With Gladness Men of Old" Communion: G460: "The First Nowell" Closing Hymn: G428 "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

### **Collections**

	Weekend	YTD	YTD	
	Dec 31/ Jan 1 2023	Actual	Budget	1
Envelopes	1,910.00	1,910.00	3,331.75	thank 110
Loose Offertory	102.00	102.00	100.94	1 11/11/L 491
Total Contributions	\$ 2,012.00	\$ 2,012.00	\$ 3,432.24	
Attendance:	4pm: 53	11am: 76		

Second Collection, January 16 for Church in the Developing World] -Church in Latin America -Church in Central and Eastern Europe -Church in Africa

### **Ministry Schedule**

January Ministry Schedule							
DATE	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter	Video	Sacristan	Altar Server	Counter
1/7 4p	M. Bacho	V. Manley	Bacho	XXXX	Byron	C. Pace	J. Cosgrove
1/8 11a	A. Dumapit	Picknally	Hickman	Hickman	Shay	M. Shay	
1/14 4 p	B. Schumacher	C. Pace	S. Pace	XXXX	Byron	T. Byron	J. Choate
1/15 11a	YOUTH	R. Modena	YOUTH	Picknally	Richardson	D. Richardson YOUTH	
1/21 4 p	M. Tinio	K. Bailey	M. Gaspersich	XXXX	Byron	C Pace	T. Settle
1/22 11a	G. Saffell	G. Boggess	S. Neri	Picknally	Shay	M. Shay	
1/28 4p	J. Gaspersich	V. Manley	S. Pace	XXXX	Byron	T. Byron	S. Pace
1/29 11a	C. Cofer	H. Cofer	Blankenship	Hickman	Richardson	D. Richardson	

### Please include the following in your Daily Prayers

#### **Parishioners:**

- Catherine Belcher Ruth Boyd Deloris Caccamo Ron Ciccolini Romulo DelaRosa Dale & Mary Lu Geiger Angie Grbac Cynthia & Gordon Harmon Cyndi Jones Nancy Larkin
- Valarie Laxton Christina Laxton Robert Laxton Kaitlyn Laxton Keith Laxton Jim Lintz Jim & Diane Luciano Fr. Greg Lyttle Jaelynn Mendoza Annette Morgan
- Dr. Jun Neri Patricia Nester Esther Piconi Alan Rieger Deborah Saffell Jacob Santon Gareth Settle Felomina Yongque Carrie Yurkovich Jane Walthall

### FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

- Linda Berghof (mother of Jackie Mercado) Mary Berentes, Lou Berentes (friend of Monica Mills) John Bowers John Caccamo (brother of Pat) Rita Calhoun (Aunt of Tanya Marx) Irene Charney Regina Church (friend of Monica Mills) Judy Clayton (sister of Loretta Lintz) Matthew Cosgrove (Jim Cosgroves nephew) Linda Cunningham Rachel Denton
- Kimiko Fettro (friend of Bill Picknally) David Frei & Mary Piper (son-in-law & daughter of Carrie Yurkovich) Kyle Geiger Mike Goff Myles Harris Velma Hartwell Wylie Rae Henson (Kay Bailey's granddaughter) Brenda Ivelise Ruby Jones (Aunt of Rachel Colosi) Lucas Llado (grandson of Maria Franco) **Richard Lockhart** John Mills (brother of Gary Mills)

Sandy Morefield (friend of Gaspersich family) Tina Mullins (friend of Tanya Marx) Wayne Mullins (brother of Delores Caccamo) Carolyn Munther (mother of Lisa Black) Susan Nelson (Bill Picknally's daughter), Rex Neely Allan Perry Agnes Sedi Sherry Sisk Agnes Tokarski (Bill Picknally's sister) Jamie Willoughby (niece of Sharon Buttaci)

### In case of an emergency and a priest is needed, please call:

The Parish Office (304) 425-3664 Bluefield Parish Office (304) 327-5623 Kim Hickman (304) 920-2440

#### In case of Illness:

Please call the parish office to let us know if you, a family member, or a parishioner is sick. We can place your name on the prayer list. If requested, Fr. Sebastian will arrange for distributing Holy Comunion the home.

N u r s i n g h ome s, rehabilitation centers and anyone who is hospitalized are not permitted to contact the church. If someone you know is in the hospital, please call the church office.

## In case of serious or life threatening sickness or the actively dying:

The church should be contacted as soon as possible. People deserve the opportunity to confess their sins, profess their faith, be anointed, and receive Holy Communion – the foretaste and pledge of eternal life. PLEASE don't wait until after the person is unconscious or so sedated that he or she cannot communicate. It is imperative with current situations, that there be enough time for Fr. to go through the appropriate protocol to visit the actively dying.

## Dear Padre,

#### I've been asked to be a godparent. I'm honored but also a little hesitant. What does a godparent have to do?

Congratulations. It is an honor to be a godparent. Hesitancy is appropriate, too, as it is also a responsibility. The Church takes baptism very seriously. As a godparent/sponsor, you represent the larger Catholic community into which the child is being received. Church law requires several qualifications for being a godparent/ sponsor. As a Catholic, you should have been baptized, confirmed, and received the Eucharist. You must be a practicing Catholic and at least sixteen years old (though some dioceses may have other age requirements). You should understand the meaning of baptism and the responsibilities that you will undertake on behalf of the Church.



Parishes often include godparents in the baptismal preparation programs they offer to parents. This baptismal instruction might challenge you to examine your life. The power of your good example cannot be emphasized enough. A child may not understand the behavior of adults, but the child sees their actions. You cannot tell a child to pray if you yourself don't pray.

Don't be scared off by all this. You are being invited to participate in the most important day of this child's life and to continue being involved as the child lives and grows. Don't let it be just a day of pictures and a party. If you let it, this day may change your life, too.

#### The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
January 9	January 10	January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14	January 15
Baptism of the	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Second Sunday
Lord	Heb 2:5-12	Heb 2:14-18	Heb 3:7-14	Heb 4:1-5, 11	Heb 4:12-16	in Ordinary Time
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or	Mk 1:21-28	Mk 1:29-39	Mk 1:40-45	Mk 2:1-12	Mk 2:13-17	ls 49:3, 5-6
Acts 10:34-38						1 Cor 1:1-3
Mt 3:13-17						Jn 1:29-34

#### Daybreaks inspires during our Church's holiest seasons.

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent. Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.



#### **A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**

How many foreigners, including persons of other religions, give us an example of values that we sometimes forget or set aside! Those living beside us, who may be scorned and sidelined because they are foreigners, can instead teach us how to walk on the path that the Lord wishes.

HOMILY, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, OCTOBER 9, 2016



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