

# Sunday Messenger



January 8, 2017  
The Epiphany of the Lord



*They opened  
their treasures and  
offered him gifts of  
gold,  
frankincense,  
and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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## Mass schedule

Saturday (Sunday Vigil)  
4 p.m.

Sunday  
10 a.m.

Weekdays (Tuesday & Friday)  
8:15 a.m.

**Sick calls** – at any time

**Baptisms** – by appointment

**Confessions** – before Masses

**Weddings** – arrange 6 months in advance

## Parish Office hours

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Monday - Friday)  
Evenings - by appointment only

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Catholic Parish

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Parish Administrator  
Fr. Stipe Renić, OFM

*Santa Lucia,  
pray for us!*

**Saturday, January 7**

**4 p.m.**

- + Sam Longo ..... Jim & Mary Rose
- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Josie Pascente ..... ONIAC Women's Alliance
- + Pauline Angelini ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- + Libby Bonomo ..... Ursula & Frank Christiano
- + Anthony DiVittorio (anniversary remembrance)  
..... Marie Panozzo & family
- ++ Joseph & Carmela DiPiazza ..... family
- ++ Rex & Angie Madia ..... daughter Jeanie
- In honor of St. Lucy (for health of Dr. Kevin O'Donahue)  
..... Jim & Mary Rose

**Sunday, January 8  
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**10 a.m.**

- + Sam Longo (35th anniversary remembrance)  
..... Jim & Mary Rose
- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- + Josephine Pascente ..... Altar & Rosary Society
- + Phillip Levato ..... Ropke-Cobb family
- + Catherine Ferro ..... Munoz family
- + Elsie Cemenio ..... Joe & Janice Gio
- + John Hazlett ..... Mr. & Mrs. Jack Lynn
- + Patricia Matranga ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- + Angelina Passarelli (anniversary remembrance)  
..... son Eddie
- + Ray Russo ..... Rose Russo
- + Fran Leo ..... Rose Russo
- + Sarah Loeb ..... Rose Russo
- + Virginia Russo ..... Rose Russo
- ++ Annette & Christopher Russo ..... Rose Russo
- ++ Theresa & Ronald Ropke Jr. .... family
- ++ Sam, Ann & Buddy Scalise ..... Scalise family
- ++ Michael, Angelo & Maria Repole ..... Rose Russo
- ++ of Volpentesta family ..... Joe

**Tuesday, January 10**

**8:15 a.m.**

- + Mary DiVittorio (anniversary remembrance)  
..... Marie Panozzo & family
- + Sam Longo ..... Jim & Mary Rose
- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Marion Roti
- + Charlotte Parker ..... Marion Roti
- ++ Michael & Mariano Coletta ..... family

**Friday, January 13**

**8:15 a.m.**

- ++ Julia, Bernard & Michael Waters ..... Leonard Dorchek

**Saturday, January 14**

**4 p.m.**

- + Joseph DiPiazza (birthday remembrance) ..... family
- + Carmela DiPiazza ..... family
- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Len & Mary Fran Traficanto
- + Jordan McGrane ..... Arnie, Darlene & John Ramirez

**Sunday, January 15**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**10 a.m.**

- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Pat & Dan Evans
- + Elsie Cemenio ..... Bob & Marinela Bertucci
- + Phillip Levato ..... Nancy Grabowski & daughters
- + Betty Mannella ..... sister Mary
- + Catherine Ferro ..... Joe & Janice Gio
- + Lillian Cozzi ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- ++ Fred & Elsie Cemenio ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- ++ of Volpentesta family ..... Joe

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 4 p.m. – Please, consult your schedule.
- 10 a.m. – Please, consult your schedule.

**LECTORS**

- 4 p.m. – Cindy Jagminas
- 10 a.m. – Elena Mancari

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- 4 p.m. – Pat Moran
- 10 a.m. – Catherine Moy



**LET US PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL AS WELL AS FOR THEIR CARETAKERS**

- Kati Kaup, Joe DiChicchio, Tony Giglio, Mary Mannella, Josie Vitale, Lottie Christiano, Humberto Perez, Connie Dastice, Annie Maggio, Jeanine Briatta, Nicholas Tobar, Dolores Levielle, Carol Ordzowialy, Gail Wodarski, Jerry Pizzotti, Ida Ruffolo, Maria Senerchia, Irene Burich, Kate Drost, Gianina Alberto, Paride Infelise, Barb Stack, Katie Santello, Pat Hoffman, Mary Lou Donzelli, Lizzy Kaup, Breck Neiswender, Jose Lara, Ofelia Lara, Fr. Nick Marro, Pat Petruzzo, Efren Leanos Sr., Carmen Llamas, Marie Floros, Janice Gio, Anne Kavalauskas, Nina Mastro

**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD****THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM**

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of Scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

**LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

**Frank A. Bruno, 86.** Husband of Judy (nee Kavalauskas) and +Barbara (nee Haep); father of AnnaMarie (Bruno) Roti and Deborah Bruno, stepfather of Caryn (Michael) Ciaccia; papa of Tina Hacek, Fred (Christine) Roti, Barbara (Michael) Gianfortune, Irene (fiancé Ryan) Roti and Gianna and Joe Ciaccia; brother of +Mazie (+George) Nelson, +Joseph (+Jennie), +Carmen (+Anne), +Dominic (+Tillie) and +Anthony (+Barbara); uncle of many nieces and nephews. He was buried on Friday, January 6, at St. Mary Cemetery, Evergreen Park, IL.

May he rest in peace.

**CALENDARS**

Santa Lucia wall calendars for 2017 are available in the entrance area of the church thanks to Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DAY**

On Tuesday, January 10th, we will have our monthly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 a.m. (after 8:15 a.m. School Mass) until 3 p.m. Jesus is inviting each of us to come and spend some time in prayer with him. During that time our relationship with him will grow and the desire to have him at the center of our lives will increase.

**PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS TO THE ALTAR**

If you would like to presents the gifts to the altar, please, see one of our ushers before the Mass, especially if a Mass is being celebrated for your deceased loved ones or for your personal intention.

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?**

If you attend Mass here regularly, we encourage you to register as a member of Santa Lucia. Registering makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, religious education registration, weddings and when asked to be a sponsor for baptism or confirmation. Registering is easy! Visit or call the Parish Office (312-842-6115).

**ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE**

A full church is a happy Church. However, for some, it might be difficult to attend Mass every Sunday. Some travel great distances to attend Mass but traffic and weather can be unpredictable. Being ill or taking care of a sick family member can be overwhelming. There are many family and work obligations that must be prioritized at times.

Your participation at Mass is crucial to the stable life of our parish. You can continue to provide your support for Santa Lucia online. We have established a flexible and secure system that allows you to give from a checking account, credit card, or debit card. Your contributions will safely be delivered to the parish and can be confirmed via e-mail or phone. You can give a single donation as frequently as you like. There is also the option to schedule automatic monthly or weekly offerings for convenience. We hope that online giving provides you with an easy solution when you would like to give to Santa Lucia. Envelopes will continue to be available.

Your support is needed for fulfilling the mission of our parish. Thank you for being generous.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Religious Education classes for grades 1 through 8 are held on Sunday mornings from 9 until 9:50 a.m. in our school. The purpose of our Religious Education program is faith formation. Faith formation is an ongoing development of the whole person into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. All Catholics are on the journey of faith formation. We begin this life-long journey in the waters of Baptism. The end of this journey is eternal life with Jesus in heaven. Contact Mrs. Elisa Lynn for more information at 708-749-9568. Anyone wishing to help is welcome. Contact the Parish Office.

**SAVE THE DATE**

- **Tuesday, January 10**  
Eucharistic Adoration Day
- **Saturday, February 11**  
*Lead with your Heart* for Santa Lucia School

## **SANTA LUCIA PARISH**

### **TREASURE FROM OUR TRADITION**

This year, in the USA the celebration of the Epiphany falls on Jan 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is Jan 6. The date we know as Jan 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. 20 centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to December 25. People still kept January 6 for the solstice celebration, but December 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of 12 days was celebrated just about everywhere.

Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in 4 themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was entirely too much for one day. A 12-day season was ready to be adapted. Early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, December 25, to the older date, January 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World.

### **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Our regular Mass schedule is: Saturday evening at 4 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10 a.m. Please be advised that there are English Masses at St. Jerome as well on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. if your schedule calls for Mass attendance at an alternate time. Feel free to bring your Santa Lucia envelope to any of these Masses, and we will ensure your offering gets sent over to Santa Lucia.

### **SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The SPRED Center, located above the church on 30th and Lowe Ave., is a faith development program that helps people with developmental and intellectual disabilities and learning problems, and their families to grow in faith and friendship within a small faith community. If interested, please, speak with Fr. Stipe or call 312-842-1039.

On Friday, January 20, at 7 p.m. there will be a small cake and coffee get together with Betty Sivek. She will answer any questions about SPRED. If you have a friend or family member who you think might benefit from this program or if you are thinking of giving your time as a volunteer, please, join us and see if this is for you. All are welcome.

## SUNDAY MESSENGER

### RENEW MY CHURCH

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*You learn to speak by speaking,  
to study by studying, to run by running,  
to work by working, and just so,  
you learn to love by loving.  
All those who think to learn in any other way  
deceive themselves.*

*ST. FRANCIS DE SALES*

Lead  
with your  
Heart



*Save the Date*

### Benefit for Santa Lucia School

*Honoring Pat Burrows and  
Steve & Gina Burrows*

Saturday, February 11, 2017  
Old Neighborhood Italian American Club

Cocktails & Silent Auction 6:00 pm  
Dinner 7:00 pm  
Program, DJ & Dancing to follow

Enjoy great food, fellowship, music  
and best of all, the opportunity  
to give to the future of Santa Lucia!

Contact us at [LWYH@santaluciaschool.net](mailto:LWYH@santaluciaschool.net) or  
Chris Dragon @ 773-704-6996

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### CHRISTMAS FINANCIAL REPORT

\$4,345

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### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

**January 1**

Envelopes (71)	\$1,102.50
<u>Loose Donations</u>	<u>\$ 141.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,243.50

(average gift \$15.52)

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