



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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XIX.I.MMXX

Dominica II post Epiphaniam

Rom. 12:6-16; Psalm 106:20-21; John 2:1-11

19 January A.D. 2020

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor

We are a people of many gifts, given & received, above all the gift of salvation in Christ. All of us owe a debt of gratitude to our sanctuary beautification team, our benefactors & all parishioners who have contributed in any way. As you can see we have achieved a new milestone with the repositioning of the communion rails & the installation of the brass gates. Please offer prayers of gratitude & words of thanks to all who contributed so generously to this effort, in particular please pray for our benefactor and deceased parishioner Marijo Buckler.

Thank you also for your Christmas gifts and to all of you who contributed as a group to buy the cloak for me. Please know of my gratitude for these beautiful gestures and most of all for your love and friendship in Christ.

Pray also for the many who remain far from the

National March for Life

Join us on Friday, January 24th for 9 am Mass and a pilgrimage for life as we walk the streets of our nation's capital in annual witness for the lives of unborn boys & girls threatened by the "legal" murder of abortion, a sin, abominable crime and violation of a fundamental

Stewardship

Offertory envelopes: \$722 ("First Offering" envelope for purpose of defraying this expense.)

Fabric for Lent/All Souls paraments: \$250.00

7K down payment church/hall oil tanks: \$5,496.00

To designate a gift please place your check or cash in a plain envelope labeled with your offertory number or your name, the amount enclosed, and which expense you are designating. If using a check, please also include your offertory number and the designated

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of Your Loved One

A \$25 contribution dedicates the lamp each week to the memory or intentions of a family member or loved one. Contributions will help to

Epiphany Water and Chalk for House Blessings

Epiphany water, blessed chalk and copies of house blessing prayers are available near the church doors for the traditional blessing during Epiphanytide.

The marking for your door lintel this year is MM+C+M+B+XX. A popular prayer accompanying the custom is "Christus Mansionem Benedicat", for "Christ

"I Am the Gate"

There are many who believe walls are not a good thing. And they're right. Except in cases where the wall has a door. The bad walls, however, are not the ones that keep out the lawless and the murderers and protect the innocent. There are bad walls and, among these, the very worst was the one that separated man from God because of the "original" sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve.

Jesus is the "gate" because, through His death and Resurrection, the wall between God and us has been broken down. We will enter through Him, into the sheepfold of heaven, as a "narrow gate" which begins now through His Church, the graced keeping of His law and commandments and as we offer holy Mass which makes of our church building the "House of God and Gate of Heaven".

Every time you look upon the gates in our altar rail, think of the Lord Jesus and the blessing that comes down to us from the altar, His Body in Communion, to receive

Prayer for Dominica II post Epiphaniam

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, as thou govern all things in heaven and on earth; in thy mercy hear the supplication of thy people, and grant thy peace in our times.

Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Training: Service on the Altar for Men and Boys

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass. All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata

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REGULAR MONTHLY BILL AND OFFERTORY COMPARISON

NUMBERS COMING SOON

ASSESSMENTS
HEALTH CARE
PROPERTY INS/CATH STANDARD
FUEL OIL
WIFI HOTSPOT
INTERNET/PHONES
ELECTRIC STREETLIGHT
ELECT/AC HALL
ELECT/AC CHURCH
ELECT/AC RECTORY
SECURITY SYSTEM
PAYROLL
PAYROLL TAXES
RETIREMENT ADW MATCHING
PENSION/LIFE INS
PRIEST FOOD
PASTOR RETREAT
ADW PRIEST CONVOCATION
MISC. PARISH/RECTORY EXP
BANK FEES
WATER BILL
EXPENSE TOTAL
OFFERTORY TOTAL

Thank you for your generous support.

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Betsy Behne, Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Linda Javoriski, Ray Stublarec, Miles & Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church at Easter or to be confirmed next Spring will be offered at the rectory on Wednesday evenings from 4:30-5:45 and from 7:30-8:45 pm.

Classes are also offered in partnership with Sacred Heart Parish in

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence through the Church in our lives. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are welcome to enroll children for classes at the hall on Sundays at 10 am. Email Donna at markboat55@yahoo.com.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before

Holy Sweepers for the Weeks of January 19 and 26

Stephen Krautle

- We are seeking additional families to join the Holy Sweepers -

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. The more Holy Sweepers in the rotation, the more time between each assignment.

If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please email Caitlin Sanders at braun.cait@gmail.com. Thank you for prayerfully considering this service to our

UPCOMING:

National March for Life, Friday January 24, following 9 am Mass

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday	19 Jan	9:00 am** <i>Pro pópulo</i>		Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11:00 am	†Marguerite L Joyce	Dominica II post Epiphaniam
Monday	20 Jan	9:00 am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	Ss Fabian and Sebastian
Tuesday	21 Jan	NP*	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	S Agnes
Wednesday	22 Jan	6:00 pm	Adoration/Confessions/Benediction	
		7:00 pm	†Ronald LaFleur	Ss Vincent and Anastasius
Thursday	23 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Alan Street	S Raymond of Pennafort
Friday	24 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Theresa Bourque	S Timothy
Saturday	25 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Anne & Mike Lamire	The Conversion of S Paul
		5:30 pm**	Deployed military/families	Vigil

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in

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MASS AND SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Sunday... 9:00am ** Traditional Latin 11:00am

Weekday Masses in Latin: See schedule in bulletin.

Saturday.... 9:00am and Vigil of Sunday 5:30pm**

Holy Day Masses: 8:00am and 6:00pm**, 7:00pm

Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment 6 months in advance.

Bulletin Deadline: Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. **New Parishioners: Welcome!** Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it