

**Saint Joseph's Catholic Church
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**SUNDAY CHURCH BULLETIN
The Epiphany of the Lord
January 4th, 2026**

ONE CHURCH: Encountering JESUS, Equipping DISCIPLES, Living MERCY

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 7:30 PM

Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 7:00 - 7:20 PM or see
Saint Isidore Confession time

**Weekend Mass Schedule
Our Family of Parishes
St. Isidore**

Sat. 4:30 p.m.

Sun. 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

St. Bonaventure

Sat. 4:30 p.m.

Sun, 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 1:30 p.m.

St. Anthony

Sat. 5:00 p.m.

Sun. 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

St. Stanislaus/Duncan

Sun. 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism - Contact the office

Confession - Friday 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Marriage - Contact the rectory one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick - Anyone who is seriously ill, or about to undergo major surgery, is encouraged to call the rectory and schedule a time to receive the sacrament. In emergencies call immediately.

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Mass Intentions:

Thu, Jan 8, 6:30 PM
Sat, Jan 10, 7:30 PM

† Mark Cave
† Jim Rosenthal

Saint of the Day or other

Liturgical Ministers for Masses of January 8th & 10th, 2026:

Time:	Thursday, 6:30 PM	Saturday, 7:30 PM
Lectors:		Barb
EMHC's	Mary	Karen & Lisa
Servers:	Volunteers	Elijah Olsufka
Organist:		Ellorie Olsufka
Cantors:		Volunteer
Ushers:	Volunteers	See Schedule
Greeters:		See Schedule
Offertory Gifts:		Volunteers
Church Cleaning for January:	See Schedule	See Schedule
Money Counters for January:	Ileana Jarecki, Kay Wilke and Rachel Wilke	Volunteers

Date: December 28 th , 2025	Gifts of Treasure
Adult	\$679.00
Loose Currency & Checks	\$300.00
Children's	\$9.00
Electric	\$300.00
Religious Retirement Fund	\$20.00
Christmas	\$3,870.00
Flowers	\$25.00
Immaculate Conception	\$5.00
Total Money Counter Report	\$5,208.00

Automatic Deposits for the week of December 28th: \$148.00

Scripture Readings for the Week of Jan 4th:

Mon: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6 & Mt 4:12-17, 23-25; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 & P Jn 10:11-16
Tue: 1 Jn 4:7-10 & Mk 6:34-44
Wed: 1 Jn 4:11-18 & Mk 6:45-52
Thu: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 & Lk 4:14-22a
Fri: 1 Jn 5:5-13 & Lk 5:12-16
Sat: 1 Jn 5:14-21 & Jn 3:22-30
Sun: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38 & Mt 3:13-17

Rosary Crusade:

1. Barb Johnson.
2. Safety for Travelers.
3. Special Intention.
4. Elladie Ronhovde.
5. Roger Streblow and the Repose of the soul of Herman Schumacher.
6. For the Homeless.

* Please call Elverine Pillen 402-246-2431 with Prayer Requests *

The Epiphany of the Lord

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*” Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star’s appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him. Bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage.” After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way. - A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Activities for the week of January 4th, 2026:

Date:

Location:

Activity:

PRE Notes:

Wed, Jan 7th, 6:30 - 7:45 PM PRE Classes.

Children's Offertory - We will have our children's offertory collection following the petitions. They may place their offering in the basket provided on the steps of the altar.

Mass Intentions for 2026: Now accepting mass intentions for **April through June**. These will be filled before accepting requests for July through September, and October through December respectively. \$10 per mass, mass intention and your name must accompany the request.

Saint Joseph Men's Club \$150 Raffle Winners: Congratulations to the following monthly winners : August - Barb Jarecki; September - Damion Korth; October - Dianne Foltz; November - Hayden Jarecki; and December - Cole Signor.

The Word Among Us for January can be found on the bulletin tables.

Thank You:

A special Thank You to all those who helped decorate for Christmas. Your talents were greatly appreciated.

Prayer inspired by Carlo Acutis – now Saint Carlo Acutis.**A wonderful way to start off the New Year.**

Lord Jesus Today I give you everything I am. I consecrate this day and every moment of my life to you. I offer you my mind, my thoughts, my words and my actions. Make me an instrument of your peace and use my hands to bring comfort to those who suffer. Take my sorrows and unite them to yours for the salvation of souls. I give you my family, my friends and those I love most. Bless our home, deliver us from all evil and make faith, hope and love reign in our home. Jesus, I trust in you, do with me what You want because I know that your plans are better than mine. Amen

Christmas Poinsettias on the altar were given in loving memory of the following people: Duane & Aggie Bruckner, Howard & Evelyn Gleeson, Richard & Marie Bohuslavsky, Mark Cave, John Cave, George Hoadley, Medarda Hoadley, Tanner Ferrell, Leo & Sally Siebler, Clem & Frances Sliva, and John & Bill Matya.

Local Events Around the area:**Check out flyers on Church Bulletin Boards**

1. **Knights of Columbus Soup Supper** - Knights of Columbus will be having a Soup Supper on Sunday, January 18, 4:30-6:30pm at St. Isidore's Parish Center serving Chicken Noodle Soup, Potato Soup, Chili, and Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwiches.
2. **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS** - We invite all members of the Catholic Daughters Court Little Flower #988 and prospective members to our next meeting on Monday, January 12th in the St. Bon's Parish Center. The evening will begin at 6:30pm and will include a living rosary. Members are asked to bring donations for the Center for Survivors. Items for donation could include: household cleaners and personal care items.
3. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com for these upcoming retreats:
 - Men's Retreat: Exodus to True Freedom, January 9th - 11th, 2026*
 - The Joy of Encountering Jesus, January 31st, 2026*
 - The Spiritual Path: Embarking on the Journey of a Lifetime, February 14th - 15th, 2026*
 - A Taste of Contemplative Prayer, February 20th - 22nd, 2026*
 - He Gave His Life to Set us Free: The Passion According to Matthew, Febr. 27th - March 1st, 2026*

Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2025 - 2026 for Saint Joseph's Church

Goal	Gift Total	% of Goal	Participation	Part. Goal
\$6,110.26	\$3,387.00	55.43 %	15	33%