

CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

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January 8th, 2023

Epiphany



Sunday Masses

9:15 am & 8:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30 pm

This Week's Happenings

Wednesday (1/11):

Faith Formation: 6:30pm

Sunday (1/15):

Mass: 9:15am & 8pm

Epiphany

Stepping out of our comfort zone

When I was young, I often wondered how difficult it was for the kings to step out of their royal palaces and travel in some not so comfortable situations.

I wondered were there more than three kings that were invited by God to step out of their comfort zone and experience adventure and change? Did these kings refuse the Angel's invitation and thus missed out on something better than they ever would have expected?

I know in my life everytime I had to step out of my comfort zone whether it be by invitation or adversity, God presented to me an adventure that challenged me to grow in wisdom and faith.

I am one that likes to keep things the same, change is always hard for me. However, when I humble myself and ask the Holy Spirit to take over, many times there is a call to step out of my control, my comfort. When I do so I strive to keep my eyes on Jesus, knowing there is always a bigger adventure.

As I work as a chaplain at the hospital, every day I witness people out of their comfort zone. I find that when they can keep their eyes of faith open, positive spiritual things happen in their lives. To me it is such a blessing to walk with people when they experience something bigger and greater than themselves in their suffering.

Yesterday, I was with a patient that had a list of health complications. He shared with me that his daughter encouraged him and his wife to move to an assisted living place. He shared with me he does not want to move out of his house that he has been living in for 20 years. He also said "I know more and more that I need extra help, I just need to have courage."

As we step in to 2023, we know there will be small and large events in our life that challenge us to step out of our comfort zone and experience change. I pray that you and I keep our eyes on the light, the Christ. May we not be afraid to experience something greater.

Lord, we thank you for Pope Benedict XVI. A man of courage that has blessed the Church so much with his wisdom and guidance. May his soul rest in peace.

Shalom in Christ,

Fr. Mark Stang
Canonical Administrator



For the LORD delights in his
people; he crowns the
humble with victory.
Psalms 149:4

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Music Rehearsal: Bring your musical talents and voices on Tuesday, January 10th at 7pm at Christ Church Newman Center Chapel.

STUDENTS: Join us for Student Bible Studies on Tuesday, January 10th at 6pm at Newman Center.

“Martin Luther King - Others – and Us” (Sunday, Jan 15th, here at Newman)

For Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr, “the human community meeting the basic needs of every person becomes beloved. Comprehensive healthcare, sage streets, affordable housing, nutritious food, strong schools, access to jobs, and meaningful employment are necessary for the beloved community.” <https://www.r2hub.org/library/25-traits-of-the-beloved-community>

Join us in the Newman Terrace following the 9:15 liturgy, for a conversation—and brunch—about how the vision of the “Beloved Community” . . . A vision of economic and racial justice . . . relates to our understanding of, and practical responses to, the issues in our own community.

St. Cloud Area Celebration of Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Holiday Weekend

This year’s wider community celebration of the life and values of Dr King includes a “Family Day” (Sat, Jan 14th), a “Spirit Day” (Sun, Jan 15th), and a Breakfast and Speaker event (Mon, Jan 16th) which includes keynote speaker Dr Osheta Moore, an author, pastor, and public speaker.

For information about each of these events, which are free—and to register for any or all of them—see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-mlk-community-celebration-tickets-488134081177>

Additional information can be found at: <https://www.stcloudstate.edu/care/mlk-communitycelebration>

Collection for Those in Need: There will be a second collection taken at all of the liturgies on Sunday, July 15th for those in need. Thank you for your generosity.

**THE BIBLE
IN A YEAR**



Community Meal

Sign up to help for the community meal on Saturday January 14th in the Baptismal Lobby. Salads, Desserts and workers are needed.

Theology on Draft: Going, Going, Gone: All are invited to Theology on Draft on Thursday, January 12th from 6pm-8pm at the Olde Brick House in St. Cloud.

World Peace Prayer

Lead me from death to life,
From falsehood to truth;
Lead me to from despair to hope,
From fear to trust;
Lead me from hate to love,
From war to peace.
Let peace fill our heart,
Our world, our universe.

This prayer is a well-known adaptation, by Satish Kumar, of the famous mantra from the Hindu Upanishads. The prayer was first publicly used in July 1981 by Mother Teresa in the Anglican Church, St. James’, Piccadilly in London.

Coffee and Rolls: Join us next Sunday, January 15th for Coffee, rolls and fellowship in the Terrace after the 9:15 a.m. Mass. Hope to see you there.

Parish Prayers

Anne Fields	Millie Moran, sister of	† Deborah Rodriguez
Nancy Huber	Jay Schroeder	† Valerie Meinz
Penny Zook	Kelly Hoppe’s mother-in-law	† Bette Bartos
Waletzko’s grandson Isaac	Helen Trisko	† Rich Theisen
Kathy Williams	Carol Agnes	+Mike Schmiesing, brother of Sharon
Kevin & Melissa Kruger’s brother Mark	Brett Wise, son-in-law of Kevin & Vickie Strobel	+Carol Reiter
Linda Urbik	Cathy Wieme’s mother, +Carol Skoien	+Ed Schnettler
Dave & Caroline Williams’s son Jeff	†Katie Waletzko	+Jim Pehler
Courtney Vorell’s father Paul Snyder	†Don Prom	+Denise Keller
Grace Bellicot	†Renee Miller	+Mary Kelley, sister of Barb Grachek
DougNieters	†Will Ellenbecker	+Jennifer Symalla
†Mil Voelker	† Stanley McElhone	+Elaine Quella
Tom Keaveny	† Bill Schroeder	+Bob Huber
Isla Johns	† Vern Cronin	+Dawn Newton
Aaron Volker	† Donald Lardy	+Robert Surma
†Gene Hoelscher	† Sallie Bellicot	+Geneva Cameron Kevin LaNave

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