



A Savior is Born

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 23 Advent Weekday

VIGIL: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:00 pm, Canton † Mark Kaczmarek (Jeff & Beth Cole)

6:00 pm, Troy † Pro Populo

Sunday, December 24 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 am, Ralston † Mary Watkins (Vivian Osborne)

9:30 am, Canton † David Snell (His Family)

VIGIL: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

4:00 pm, Canton † Christmas Mass Intentions

7:00 pm, Ralston † Christmas Mass Intentions

Mon, Dec 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

12:00 am (midnight), Troy † Christmas Mass Intentions

9:30 am, Canton † Christmas Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 26 Saint Stephen, the 1st Martyr

5:30 pm, Troy † Richard D. Ross

(Jim & Shelly Ross & Family)

Wed, Dec 27 SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

5:30 pm, Canton † Shirley P. McCarthy

(St. Michael's A&R)

6:00 pm, Holy Hour

Thursday, December 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

No Mass

Friday, December 29 5th Day w/in the Octave of the

Nativity of the Lord

7:00 am, Rectory - For the special intentions of

Trudy Ahern (Rita Hanson & Ian)

Saturday, December 30 6th Day w/in the Octave of the

Nativity of the Lord

VIGIL: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

4:00 pm, Canton † Dorris Ann Mallore

(St. Michael's A&R)

Sunday, December 31

THE HOLY FAMILY OF

JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

8:00 am, Ralston † Pro Populo

9:30 am, Canton † Robert Fleury (The Family)

11:15 am, Troy † Mary Watkins (Tom Wierbowski)

Monday, January 1

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,

THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9:30 am, Canton † John Mastrodomenico

(Joe & Maryann Maresco)

Fellowship is held in St. Michael's Church hall following the 9:30 am Mass each Sunday.



The sanctuary lamps in all three churches burn this week that, inspired by the example of the Blessed Mother, we, like Mary, may have the courage to say "yes" to God's gift of human life.

Sanctuary lamp intentions may be requested by contacting the parish office.

A Communal Rosary is prayed at 9:30 on Thursday mornings in St. Michael's Church.

All are invited to participate.



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SAINT MICHAEL PARISH PRAYER LIST

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Contact the parish office to add a name to the prayer list. Names remain on the list for 3 months per request.



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As of December 15th, we are at 79.73% of our \$12,000 parish goal. \$9,568 has been donated or pledged. 53 families have donated thus far, which is a participation rate of 36.81% of 144 active families in the parish. Thank you to everyone who has contributed thus far, both financially and with your prayers.

SAINT MICHAEL'S PARISH OFFERINGS

December 11 - 17, 2023

Weekly Offerings:	2,812.00
Electronic Offerings:	515.00
Other Parish Income:	1,107.50
Total Parish Income:	4,434.50
Average weekly expenses:	4,211.61
Difference:	222.89
Christmas Mass Intentions:	542.00
Religious Retirement Fund:	50.00
Care & Education of Priests:	15.00

Thank you for your continued support.



**POPE FRANCIS'S
DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION**
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2023

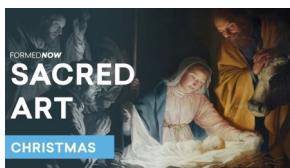
THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS LUKAS STORYTELLER

Christmas is coming and our friends Peter, Agnes, Paul and Anna expect to receive many gifts. but then they are caught in one of their antics. Lukas and Noah will help them understand the true story of Christmas and how the birth of the Son of God should change our hearts.



CHRISTMAS | SACRED ART

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season.



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DECEMBER 25 - 31, 2023 READINGS

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Sun - Is 62:1-5 Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Mt 1:1-25
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
Night - Is 9:1-6 Ps 96:1-3, 11-13 Ti 2:11-14 Lk 2:1-14
Dawn - Is 62:11-12 Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12 Ti 3:4-7
Lk 2:15-20

Day - Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1-6 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18
Tues - Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc-17 Mt 10:17-22
Wed - 1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Thurs - 1 Jn 1:5—2:2 Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8 Mt 2:13-18
Fri - 1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6 Lk 2:22-35
Sat - Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-5 Col 3:12-21
Lk 2:22-40
Sun - Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Gal 4:4-7
Lk 2:16-21

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASAP

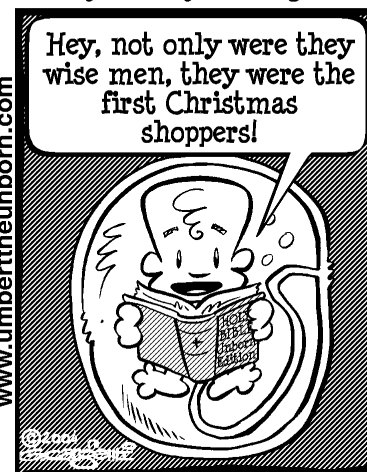
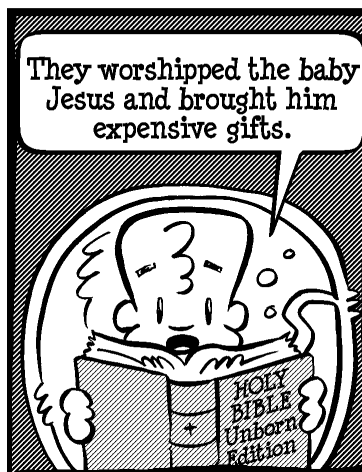
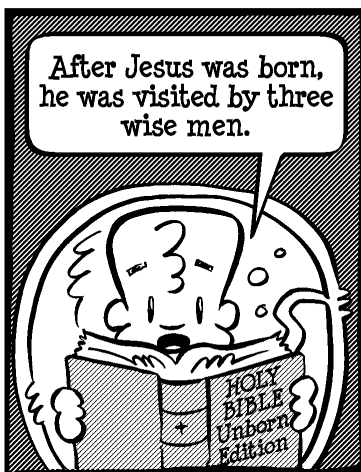
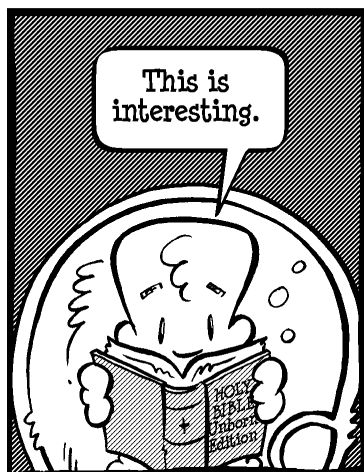
Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)

is a featured program of the Knights of Columbus supporting mothers and their children, born and unborn, by serving pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes. St. Michael's KOC is hosting a drive for the Endless Mountains Pregnancy Care Center, Canton this December. To participate, please bring new items to the drop box in the back of the church. You can also purchase items on the Amazon.com registry that has been established. For details and a link to the online registry, visit <https://stmichaelscanton.com/news/news-from-the-knights/>



Umbert the Unborn

by Gary Cangemi





Knights of Columbus Council #5517

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