



## Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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### AREA MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday, January 3

8:30 AM OLOL Int. of the Beste Families  
9:00 AM StMary †Alan "Bud" Bolter

#### Tuesday, January 4

8:30 AM OLOL †Sylvia Pedraza de Tueme &  
Juan Manuel Rojas Silva &  
Macela Charar Tueme  
12:00 PM StMary †Marvin Uhrich

#### Wednesday, January 5

8:30 AM OLOL †Sherlyn Zimmer  
9:30 AM Clara City †Felicita Rohlik  
Care Center  
12:00 PM StMary Special Int. for Shirley Nesges

#### Thursday, January 6

8:30 AM OLOL †Fay Kuznia  
9:00 AM StMary **No Mass Today**  
5:30 PM StClara †Gary Bliss

#### Friday, January 7

8:30 AM OLOL †Randy Nissen  
12:00 PM StMary †Huber Family  
2:00 PM StMary Wedding of Andrew Carruth  
& Brittany Meier

#### Saturday, January 8

4:30 PM StMary D of I Mass for Peace  
5:00 PM OLOL †Mary Spartz  
6:00 PM StMary (SP) †Gilbert Trevino

#### Sunday, January 9

8:30 AM StMary †Lois Hurley  
8:30 AM StClara St. Clara Mission Circle  
10:00 AM StMary For the People  
10:30 AM OLOL †Jan Lensing

Please note that the Noon Mass this Friday is going to be held in the chapel, as well as adoration that day, due to the wedding taking place in the main church. The chapel is a smaller space and does not provide an opportunity for adequate social distancing. We want you to have this information as you make your decision about whether or not to attend. The wearing of a mask while in the chapel is strongly recommended.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Monday, January 3

5:30 pm Bell Choir (StMary)  
6:00 pm D of I Meeting (StMary)  
7:00 pm Adult Choir (StMary)

#### Tuesday, January 4

9:00 am Quilting (StMary)  
4:00 pm AIM Cooking Class (StMary)  
5:00 pm AFC Mission Planning Team (StMary)  
6:00 pm Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)  
6:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (StMary)  
7:00 pm Hispanic Youth Group (StMary)

#### Wednesday, January 5

9:00 am Small Christian Community (OLOL)  
10:00 am Small Christian Community (StMary)  
3:15 pm FF Gr. 1-6 (OLOL)  
4:45 pm Family Meal (StMary)  
5:30 pm FF Gr. 1-6 (StMary)  
6:00 pm Youth Meal (OLOL)  
6:15 pm Together Group (StMary)  
7:00 pm FF Gr. 7-11 (OLOL & StMary)  
7:00 pm FF Gr. 9-11 (StClara)

#### Thursday, January 6

9:00 am Divine Mercy Chaplet/Rosary (OLOL)  
10:00 am Hispanic Women Adult FF (StMary)  
11:00 am Resurrection Choir (StMary)  
1:30 pm Small Christian Community (OLOL)  
2:00 pm RCIA (StMary)  
5:00 pm Adoration (OLOL)

#### Friday, January 7

12:00 pm Adoration (StMary)  
6:30 pm Spanish Adult FF (StMary)  
7:00 pm Spanish Adoration (StMary)

#### Saturday, January 8

10:00 am Spanish Adult FF (StMary)  
7:00 pm Spanish Holy Hour (StMary)  
7:00 pm Spanish RCIA (StMary)

#### Sunday, January 9

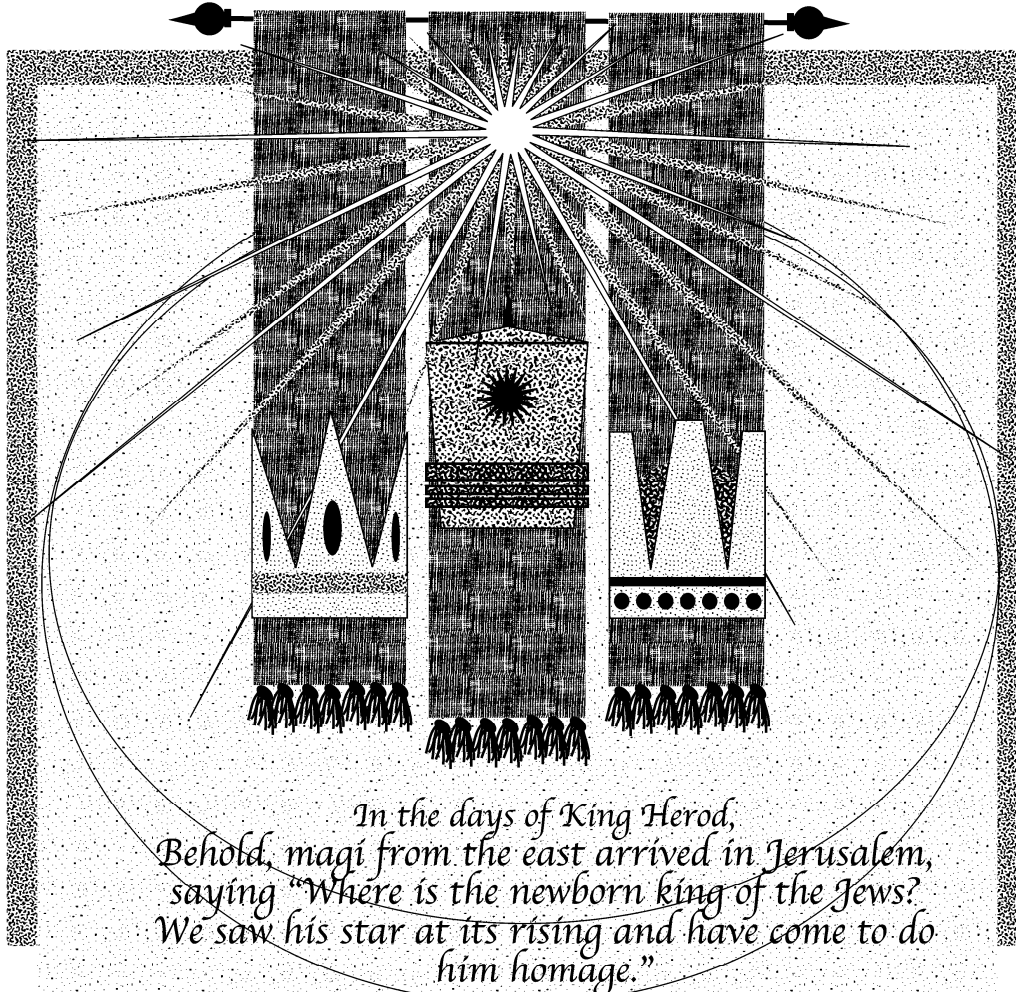
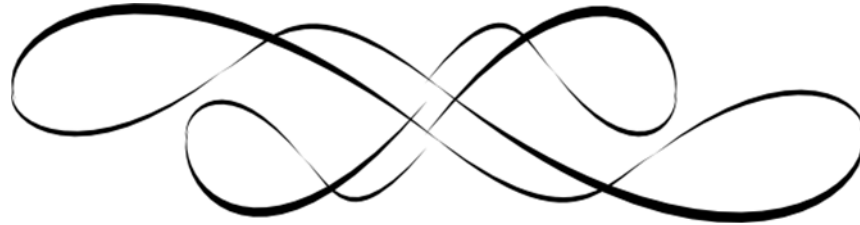
LOW - AFC  
9:30 am Sunday Social Hour (StMary)  
9:30 am FF Gr. 1 & 2 PAY (StClara)  
9:30 am FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)

**Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord  
January 2, 2022**

**Shed Your light upon our hearts, Lord!**

# STEWARDSHIP

	OLOL	St. Mary	St. Clara
Adult	\$ 10,792	\$ 13,980	\$ 1,240
Automatic	1,814	5,638	499
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,606</b>	<b>\$ 19,618</b>	<b>\$ 1,739</b>
Weekly Budget Amount	7,795	15,932	1,862
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$ 4,811</b>	<b>\$ 3,686</b>	<b>\$ (123)</b>
Year-to-Date Collection	\$ 261,675	\$ 440,361	\$ 83,207
Year-to-Date Budget	202,670	430,164	50,274
<b>YTD Difference</b>	<b>\$ 59,005</b>	<b>\$ 10,197</b>	<b>\$ 32,933</b>
Christmas	\$ 23,242	\$ 40,040	\$ 11,488



## WORSHIP



### AFC Baptism Class

This class is required for all parents having their first child baptized. Our next class is Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Church of St. Mary. Please call the AFC office to register.

## STEWARDSHIP

**AFC Social Justice Team** will meet on Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. All are welcome to attend. Please email Barb Garding at [jgarding@charter.net](mailto:jgarding@charter.net) if you would like to receive the Zoom link to attend the meeting.

**Thank You** to everyone who sent cards, dropped off treats, extended a warm Christmas greeting, helped decorate the church, served as a liturgical minister, helped lead the singing, played an instrument, helped with livestream, and/or attended one of our Christmas Masses in person or online. Your kindness, generosity, thoughtfulness and support are gifts beyond measure. May God bless you for your generous spirit and continue to watch over you and those you love with the gift of His presence and peace. Have a safe and grace-filled New Year!

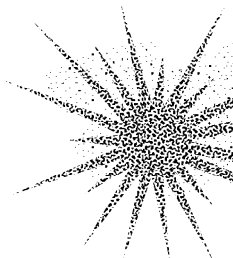
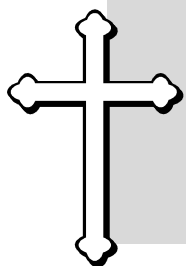
*Fr. Steve, Fr. Jerry, Fr. Christian and the Area Staff*

Sincere **THANK YOU** from MACPAC for all the generous donations to support the weekend food program for MACCRAY students. Your gifts truly reflect the holiday spirit of caring for others. Thank you!

In your prayers please remember those who have recently passed away:

†Ada Hunstad, mother of Todd (& Mary) and Brian (& Cathy) (StMary)

Our sympathy goes out to the families.



*The shepherds went in haste  
to Bethlehem and found  
Mary and Joseph,  
and the infant lying in the manger.*

## YOUTH

### StC – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades PAY Sessions

Next Sunday, January 9 after Mass (9:30-10:45 am) in the school basement in Clara City. No catechists will be present, so each child must have an adult with him/her.

### StM Family Meal

This Wednesday (1-5) from 4:50-6:50 pm for all families.

### OLOL Youth Meal

This Wednesday (1-5) from 6:00-7:00 pm for all 7-11 graders.

### FACT Team

This Wednesday at OLOL for 12<sup>th</sup> Graders. Come at 6:00 pm, eat and plan the evening for the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Issue Night.

All children preparing for **First Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Lakes** should sign up for a time to arrive on January 12. See the email you received on Thursday for more information.

### Skatin' Place Trip

On January 21 for Grades 6-8

Leaving Calvary Lutheran Church at 5:30 pm, pick up at 5:45 pm at New London Country Stop; returning to New London at 10:30 pm and Calvary at 11:00 pm.

Cost is \$25 and includes all you can eat/play: pizza, pop, skating, laser tag, and transportation. Arcade games are extra. Sign up online by January 19.

## WORD

**Lenten Mission!** We will be hosting a Lenten Mission in March, 2022. We have a few people who have committed to helping plan the mission, but are looking for a few more, from Our Lady of the Lakes. If you are willing to be on this team, please contact Tim Cayler, Mary Nordstrom, or Father Steve in the AFC office.





## Flight 2022 Instructions

Good morning, and welcome to Flight 2022.

We are prepared to take off into the New Year.

Please make sure your Positive Attitude and Gratitude are secured and locked in the upright position.

All self-destruct devices: pity, anger, selfishness, pride, and resentment should be turned off at this time.

All negativity, hurt, and discouragement should be put away.

Should you lose your Positive Attitude under pressure during this flight, reach up and pull down a prayer.

Prayers will automatically be activated by Faith.

Once your Faith is activated, you can assist other passengers who need more Faith.

There will be NO BAGGAGE allowed on this flight.

God, our Captain, has cleared us for take-off.

Destination – GREATNESS!

Wishing you a New Year filled with new **HOPE**, new **JOY**, and new **BEGINNINGS!**

Stay Blessed, and Welcome to 2022!

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From a friend of a friend of a friend.

