

# January 4 & 5, 2014

## The Epiphany



The Magi arrived in Bethlehem asking, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"

### Mass Intentions

*(Please Note: Mass times for the week)*

Monday – 1/6

No Mass Today

Tuesday – 1/7

No Mass Today

Wednesday – 1/8

No Mass Today

*Eucharistic Adoration starts at 9:30 AM*

*and concludes with devotional prayers, about 7:45 PM*

Thursday – 1/9 – 8:00 AM

All Souls' Intentions

Friday – 1/10 – 8:00 AM

Margaret Naiberk by Kenny & Mary Sinn

Saturday – 1/11 – 4:00 PM

Parishioners of St. Jerome's

Sunday – 1/12 – 8:00 AM

Blanche Grombkowski by Sonny & Antoinette Triano

11:00 AM

Celebration of Healing & Hope

### Lector and Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Day/Date	Time	Lector	EM	Altar Server
Sat - 1/4	4PM	S Pentz	R Hechler	1. C Fegley 2. S Fulmer
Sun - 1/5	8AM	G Schmauch	M Leitzel	1. C Osenbach 2. C Ackerman
	11AM	T Ward	E Beidler	1. M Baddick 2. G Valentine
Sat - 1/11	4PM	P Glogg	A Baddick	1. A Williams 2. A Baddick
Sun - 1/12	8AM	J Menconi	Dr P Baddick	1. J Minehan 2. M Bonetsky
	11AM	M Cinicola	E Mocchiola	1. S McCabe 2. A McCabe

News from the Parish Office...

Any 2013 Envelopes received after Jan. 6 will be applied to 2014. This will give us time to close out 2013 and start preparing the 2013 Tax Statements.

Congratulations to the following Vacation Sweepstakes Winners: Marge M. won \$50. Barbara R. won \$50. Ann B. won \$50. Jim M. won \$50. Bob H. won \$50. Jim S. won \$50. Anne V. won \$50. Rhona N. won \$50. Carole W. won \$100. Kathy R. won \$100. Tom W. won 100. Nancy L. won \$1,000. Mike H. won \$1,000.

Are you missing Fr. John's weekly column? You might want to check the parish's new web site, [sjctamaqua.org](http://sjctamaqua.org), because he has a page there where he writes a regular article and often posts the texts of his homilies.

Tip: Online Giving has the option to manage your contributions online and / or with your offering envelopes. Contributions may be made by a Direct Withdrawal (ACH) or with Credit Cards. Sign up for Online Giving by clicking on the Link on our new Parish Website at: <http://sjctamaqua.org>

### Sunday Contributions

Week of December 28 & 29

Thank you for your generous support

Total Contribution to Date:	\$122,901.00
Weekly Collection Needed:	\$5,465.00
Sunday Collection:	\$5,964.00
Offset funds from Bingo:	\$0.00
Other Contributions:	\$2,590.00
No Bingo on Dec. 27 :	\$00.00

### Sanctuary Lamp is in Memory of:

Joseph Walker requested by wife & sons.

Tax return time is upon us; please remember the "special fund" as we begin the New Year. We are still working to fund the painting of our Church.

## Coming Home A Celebration of Healing and Hope

Next Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 11AM Mass  
Refreshments following Mass.

Do you know anyone who has been away from Church for a long time? Maybe you know someone who has been hurt or is suffering, physically, emotionally or spiritually and might benefit from the healing power of Jesus in the Eucharist. The 11AM Mass next Sunday will be dedicated to welcoming back to church and the Eucharist people who have been away with special prayers for healing. There will be a time

Religious Education Office  
Mrs. Jane Habel, DRE  
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Office Hours: Monday to Friday  
9:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
*(Please call for an appointment)*

- o Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. Essay Contest – Level 1: Grades 6 to 8, the theme is “Giant’s Causeway – Fact & Folklore”. Level 2: Grades 9 to 12, the theme is “The Book of Kells – It’s Origin & Present Day Influence”. Prizes are awarded on the Local, State and National Level. Deadline is on Wednesday, Jan. 15. For more information: [libcassg@ptd.net](mailto:libcassg@ptd.net)

### SJRS

Mrs. Mary Ann Mansell, Principal  
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[www.shop.com/SJRS](http://www.shop.com/SJRS)

### Breakfast Buffet & Open House – Jan. 26

Catholic Schools Week begins at SJRS on Sunday, Jan. 26, with a Breakfast Buffet and Open House. Come feast on a Breakfast prepared by the SJRS Faculty and walk through the school to see the great things that are happening academically and spiritually for our students at SJRS. Breakfast is from 8:00 to 12:00 Noon. Open House is from 8:00 to 1:00 p.m.

## KEEP THE KITCHEN OPEN!

The kitchen at bingo is important to the success of bingo and we are in desperate need of volunteers to help in the kitchen to prepare and serve the food.

There are quite a few openings in the “Kitchen Help Schedule” that need to be filled in the coming months; otherwise, the kitchen might close.

If you can spare a Friday night once or twice a month from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m., please contact Donna at the Parish Office. Time spent working in the kitchen may be used for Community and Student Service Hours.

### Activities...

- ❖ Thank You to Mrs. Dakosty, the SJRS Students in Grades K thru 4, and everyone who donated to the Birthright “Giving Tree”. We received 130 gifts for Birthright. May God Bless you and your families.
- ❖ Thank You also to the St. Vincent DePaul members who helped prepare and deliver the Christmas Baskets for our shut ins.
- ❖ Friday Night Bingo! Doors open at 4:00 p.m. and Bingo starts at 6:00 p.m. Community and Student Service Hours are available.
- ❖ Donations needed for Bingo: **Coke Products, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Paper Towels and Napkins**. Donations may be dropped off during the week at the Parish Office or at the School Gym anytime on Fridays after 2:30 p.m. Thank you for your continued generosity!!!!
- ❖ Nativity BVM High School will hold a Toy Bingo on Jan. 18 at 1 Lawton Hill in Pottsville. Doors open at 12:00 Noon and the Games start at 1:00 p.m. Prizes include: Toys and Gift Cards for children Grades: K thru 8. For more info, please contact Dottie at **(570) 640-1760**
- ❖ St. Matthew’s in Minersville will have a Bus Trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on March 3. The Bus will leave Quandel’s Parking Lot at 8:00 a.m. and will depart Philadelphia at 5:00 p.m. For reservations or for more info, please call St. Matthew’s Rectory at **(570) 544-2211**
- ❖ St. Matthew’s in Minersville will have a Bus Trip to Cape Cod, Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket from June 16 to 20. For more info, please contact Julie at **(570) 544-5231**