

HOLY TRINITY PARISH, PLYMOUTH, BRISTOL, ASHLAND

Mass Intentions

St. Matthew Church

Saturday, January 2

4:00 PM For all Parishioners

Sunday, January 3

8:00 AM Mass

11:15 AM For all Parishioners

Mon., Jan. 4, 8:00 AM Intention of Regina Paquette
Tues., Jan. 5, 8:00 AM Service of the Word with Communion
Wed., Jan. 6 No Mass
Fri., Jan. 8, 8:00 AM Mass

Saturday, January 9

4:00 PM For all Parishioners

Sunday, January 10

8:00 AM Mass

11:15 AM For all Parishioners

Friday's Mass is followed by Adoration

St. Agnes Church

Saturday, January 2

5:45 PM Mass

Sunday, January 3

9:30 AM †Meda Bilodeau by children of Leo Bilodeau

Thurs., Jan. 7, 8:00 AM Mass

Saturday, January 9

5:45 PM †Fr. George Robichaud by Chantelle Friedman & Charles Brown

Sunday, January 10

9:30 AM For All Parishioners

Thursday's Mass is followed by Adoration

Our Lady of Grace Chapel

Saturday, January 2

4:00 PM Mass

Sunday, January 3

9:30 AM Intention of Lauren Helmers by his Family

Saturday, January 9

4:00 PM †Douglas Paterson by Fitzherbert Family

Sunday, January 10

9:30 AM Mass

St. Timothy Church

Mon., Jan. 4, 8:00 AM Deleice Olesnevich by her father, Peter
Tues., Jan. 5, 8:00 AM Mass
Wed., Jan., 6, 8:00 AM Christa Olesnevich by her father, Peter
Thurs., Jan. 7 NO MASS
Fri., Jan. 8, 8:00 AM Mass

Tuesday's Mass is followed by a Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

The Rosary is recited every Wednesday at 6:00 PM

Friday's Mass is followed by Adoration

Morning Prayer precedes all the weekday Masses at 7:40 AM
†indicates Mass Intention for deceased person(s)

If you have scheduled an announced Mass and would like to bring up the Gifts at that Mass, please let one of the ushers know before Mass.



Sunday January 3

No Faith Formation, Bristol, Ashland/Plymouth

No Confirmation, Bristol, Ashland/Plymouth

Sunday January 10

Faith Formation, Bristol, Simard Hall, 10:30 AM

Faith Formation, Ashland/Plymouth, St. Agnes Hall, 10:30 AM

Confirmation, Ashland/Plymouth, St. Agnes Rectory, 4:00 PM

Confirmation, Bristol, Simard Hall, 6:00 PM

AA meeting Mon. - Sat. St. Matthew Hall, 11:00 AM

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Nicholas Palihnich and Kerry Clark will be united in Holy Matrimony Our Lady of Grace Chapel January 23, 2010



We welcome the newest member of Holy Trinity Parish family Katherine Ruth Bird who was baptized December 13, 2009. Let us offer our joy-filled prayers and congratulations as a sign of our support and welcome!



We remember in prayer the repose of the soul of John C. Hughes, Jr. To his family we extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayerful support.



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." - Mt 2:1b-2

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The birth of Jesus became the worst kept secret in the history of the world. All along, people knew God had a plan. God had told everyone from Adam and Eve, to Abraham and Sara, to Moses and Miriam, to David and Bathsheba, to Hosea and Gomer, to Mary and Joseph that there was a plan. Nobody fully understood it. Nobody knew how God would bring the plan to fulfillment, but they all believed. They had seen God work mighty deeds in their lives and they believed that one day the promise of redemption would be fulfilled.

Jesus was God's secret. When Jesus was born in humble surroundings outside of royalty and pageantry, only a handful of people even began to realize what God had done.

But the secret got out. Angels appeared in the sky. Shepherds showed up. Magi traveled from a faraway land. Everyone was finding out God's two great surprises: Jesus was born as the promised Messiah, and he came, not just for his own race, but for all the people of the world.

The letter to the Ephesians says God's mystery, "was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit." Jesus was born and he came to save each of us, no matter what family we came from, what we believed, or how we behaved. The mystery of God's love is open now to the whole world. That is the epiphany, the revelation of God's secret.

Paul Turner, Archdiocese of Chicago

### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Statements of parish contributions in 2009 are available for those who used the envelope system. Please call Marilyn at the Bristol parish office, 744-2700 or email [stimothy@metrocast.net](mailto:stimothy@metrocast.net). Statements can be sent via email (quicker & less costly!). Please provide email address.



Join the  
**Knights of Columbus**  
for  
**BREAKFAST**  
**Sunday, January 3**  
**St. Matthew Hall 7:30 AM**

Lakes Region Ultreya Group  
Praise - Worship - Sharing - Friendship  
"Christ is Counting on You"  
LAKES REGION ULTREYA  
Friday, January 8th, 2010  
7:00 PM  
St. Charles Church  
Rte 25  
Meredith, N.H.  
For info. call Dan Donahue @ 524-7223

### LOOKING AHEAD.....

Mark your new 2010 calendars now! Join us for Lent and the Easter season.

February 17	Ash Wednesday
April 1	Holy Thursday
April 2	Good Friday
April 3	Easter Vigil
April 4	Easter Sunday



**Epiphany Proclamation**  
While a day like Christmas is fixed in our minds and on the calendars on December 25th, many of the important feasts of the Church year move, based upon the date that Easter is set. Easter changes each year moving to the Sunday after the

"Paschal Full Moon," and can fall between March 22 and April 25.

In ancient times before calendars were common, most people did not know the dates for the upcoming Liturgical year. On Epiphany Sunday, the upcoming dates were "proclaimed" after the gospel in this way:

*Dear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return.*

*Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation.*

*Let us recall the year's culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of the first day of April and the evening of the third day of April; Easter Sunday being on the fourth day of April.*

*To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, forever and ever. Amen.*



**Support Groups**  
**Grandparents** who are assisting with the care of their grandchildren meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 at St. Timothy rectory.

**Bereavement** support is available on a one to one basis or small group for those coping with loss. Group meets

Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. at the (St. Timothy) rectory.

**Information and referral** for those who have experienced or are currently experiencing physical, emotional or sexual abuse is available.



"Oh, good—there's a gift receipt with the myrrh."



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESKTOP**  
**Christmas Wrap-up**

Christmas carols have vanished from the airwaves. Christmas trees are now part of the mulch produced at the recycling center. However, I do hope something of the Christmas Spirit is surviving within you. What remains with me is the recollection of beautiful, well-attended, prayerful, liturgical celebrations. With a number of visitors swelling our ranks, the spirit of joyful celebration was even more evident. The art and environment were gorgeous. The music was uplifting and helped transport us into a sense of God's glory. The various ministries performed their roles with distinction. The youth dramatically enfolded the Gospel of Christmas. And finally you, faithful parishioners at Holy Trinity, with your commitment to Jesus in our Parish Family, and your warmth, attentiveness and appreciation, are a wonder to behold. It is a real joy to preside at Christmas liturgies. We have something wonderful here. May it ever be so! There are too many "players" to mention individually. Rest assured your role, large or small, is noted and deeply appreciated. I also want to thank all those who sent personal greetings, cookies and other assorted treats. That I do not need to sign up for Weight Watchers is in itself a minor miracle.

**53<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Appreciation**

Again a heartfelt Thank You for the generous response to our special appeal to help offset the projected budget deficit of \$65,000. To date we have received \$34,190.00, which is 52.6 % of our stated goal. You can still help the Parish if you have not gotten around to doing so, by using the envelopes at the door marked "Special Offering" or by using an ordinary envelope, adding the words "53<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Special Donation".

Happy New Year to all.

Fr. Leo

**PASTORAL AND FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS!**

Plan now to be part of a special day-long session to start the process of dreaming and strategizing for the future of our Parish. **St. Agnes Hall, Saturday, January 9, 2010, 9 AM - 3 PM**

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

What "gifts" do you and your loved ones bring to each other?

**BULLETIN CONNECTION**

In the experience of the church the Epiphany mystery includes the manifestations of Christ as he was revealed to the nations. Three mysteries are celebrated, something that we will do over three Sundays this year. The first is the manifestation of the newborn king to the Magi from the East, today's celebration. The next is the baptism of the Lord, celebrated next weekend, when Jesus began his public ministry. And finally, this year we will hear the Gospel of the wedding feast at Cana, the first miracle in which Jesus revealed himself to his disciples, and they came to believe in him. All these mysteries are celebrated in the Epiphany. Christ is revealed. He is made known. For us, the Epiphany, like all of Christmas, is not to be left in the past. The revelation of Christ is to be made known today. And we are the ones called to reveal him to others.

**DIRECTORY**

<b>Pastoral Council Chairperson</b>	James Cooper	744-3090
<b>Finance Council Chairperson</b>	Gerry O'Neil	968-2221
<b>Religious Education</b>		
<b>Bristol</b>	Phyllis Paterson, CRE	744-9965
	Christine Hemeon, Confirmation I	934-9364
<b>Plymouth/Ashland</b>	Amy Ulricson, PreK-8	536-4042
	Maureen Ebner, Confirmation I & II	536-4964
<b>Parish Coordinator ~ Ashland</b>	Dan Murphy	253-7294
<b>Director of Music Ministries</b>	Christine Melanson	536-4700
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Martin O'Hara, Plymouth	744-6847
<b>Art &amp; Environment</b>	Barbara Rheinhardt, Ashland	279-4673
	Eleanor Morrison, Bristol	744-8271
	Eileen Cunis, Plymouth	536-3323
<b>Bereavement Committee</b>	Noreen Hutter, Ashland	968-3736
	Glenda Houle, Plymouth	536-2869
	Sandra Hauser, Plymouth	536-5293
	Kathleen Haskell, Bristol	744-2862
<b>Boy Scouts</b>	Mark Decoteau, Leader	236-4245
<b>Cub Scouts</b>	Roger Scroggins, Leader	786-9902
<b>Catholic Campus Ministry</b>	Kathy Tardif kmtardif@plymouth.edu	535-2673
<b>Catholic Daughters of the Americas</b>	Phyllis Dobe, Regent	536-5134
<b>Chapel Singers</b>	Maria Perron	744-3304
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	Dan Stack, Ashland	968-3453
	Tom Mosholder, Plymouth	726-8774
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	David Hemeon, Grand Knight, Bristol	934-9364
	Clayton Norwood, Grand Knight, Plymouth	726-4266
<b>Liturgy Coordinators</b>	Dan Murphy, Ashland	253-7294
	Michelle McGwin, Bristol	744-8760
	David Gravel, Plymouth	726-7622
<b>NH Catholic Charities</b>	Laconia	528-3035
<b>Outreach</b>	Barbara Morgan, Bristol	744-5187
<b>RCIA</b>	Sue Martens	744-6067
<b>Safe Environment Coordinator</b>	Sandra Hauser	536-4700
<b>Social Fellowship Committee</b>	Kim Bruneau - Bristol	744-0173
	Sandra Hauser - Plymouth	536-5293
	Joan Wagner - Plymouth	536-2482
<b>St. Timothy Women's Club</b>	Kathleen Haskell, President	744-2862
<b>Women's Cornerstone Retreat</b>	Anne Doyle	744-8819