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### LOOKING AHEAD:

**February 17** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

**February 18** Ash Wednesday Services noon and 7:00 p.m.

**February 20** First Fish Fry of our 6. We need **EVERYONE'S** help, to make this a gigantic success. Please volunteer to help. We need Fryers, Servers, Table-setters, Clean-up, Dessert bakers (home-made of course), and so much more. A sign-up sheet is hanging on the kitchen bulletin board. Surely this is **something** every St. Bart's member can do - even if you just show up to eat the delicious codfish, it would help!

We would like one more parishioner to serve on the wall repair committee. Please contact Fr. Steve, Paul Shaver, Kay Boyd or Heidi Schinko.

### THE EPIPHANY BANNER

The brilliant Star of Bethlehem guided the three Magi - Casper, Melchoir, and Balthazar - on their long journey by camel, bringing fine gifts to the new baby Jesus. Arriving 12 days after the birth of the infant King, the camels lead them home by a different road.

Choose the bread of life or you will be toast.

Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur

Eucharistic Ministers: Betsy Limmex (8:00) and Wendy Charny (10:30)

Lectors: Diane Bellas (8:00) Dick York and John Wendy (10:30)

Acolyte: Madeline Kless

Ushers: Dick York and John Wendy

Teller: Dorothea Kingsbury

Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

## The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

08 February 2015

Welcome! Please enter the nave quietly and reverently as there may be people already in prayer and contemplation.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is important to all of us. If you are just passing through, we wish you Godspeed on your travels and hope that you will join us whenever you return. If you live in this area and are new to this parish, we welcome you and invite you to make Saint Bartholomew your church home. If you are a long-time member who has been gone for a while, welcome home---we've missed you! And if you are a member of this parish who generally shows up every week, thank you for your commitment to our parish family---well done, good and faithful servant!

### About Today's Lessons

Today's Gospel continues Mark's account of the first events in Jesus' ministry. Once again, Jesus was faced with illness which he cured and evil spirits which he cast out. But rather than stay in that place as a healer, he moves on to announce the good news of God's Kingdom in other places as well.

The first reading proclaims God as ruler and creator of all things. God is incomparable and inexhaustible, and God's power is the source of our life and that power animates our lives and our ministry.

In the second reading, Paul is responding to another problem in the Corinthian church. Wandering preachers had come to them and, preaching for money, had proclaimed strange versions of the Gospel. Paul wants to make it clear that his is the Gospel of Christ and the proof that he is not altering it to be popular is that he does not ask for money.

It is the proclamation of Christ that is central. We are called and converted by that message and baptized into that faith. We gather at the Lord's Table in response, for empowerment, but we also gather in order to be sent forth in that power to proclaim the message to others.

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# Worship through the Week

A guide for Prayer and Study at Home

We pray for those who are infirm, and for the continued healing of:

Richard and Mary, Ben and Dorothy, Kristen, Ed, and Drew, Dottie, Betty, Bill, Chris, Fr. Jim, Maisie, Rob, Joanna, Cara, Carol, Tom, Will, Jan, Kelly, Jane, David, Andrea, Jean, Val, Annie, Tom, Dick, Alice, Ada, Kevin, Emily, Katy, Sharon, Nancy, Norma, Shirley, Laurie, Lucille, Joe, Andy, Chris, Anne, Bobby, John, Marie, Gavin, John, Scott, Manette...

And we offer our thanksgivings for your many blessings upon us especially for:

February 1<sup>st</sup> \$1,438.00 and the attendance was 51.

The birthdays of Katherine Rich, ...

The anniversary of ...

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces...

Major Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Lt. Colonel Trent Johnson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Lieutenant Joanna Chmielecki, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Rebecca Voigt, Robert Register, Pvt. Jack Rolf.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, and those who have given their lives in the Armed Forces the past week:

**Please bring in your palms from last year, to be burned on Shrove Tuesday.**

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of February personal items, **such as: toilet paper, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, etc.** Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

**The Shawl Ministry** would like to encourage everyone to give a shawl to someone you know that can use a little extra love and prayer. Please feel free to take one even for yourself. Blessed shawls are always available in the library area. **Shawl Ministry meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm here at St. Bart's.** Please join us if you knit or crochet. Liz York: 440-946-3374.

**Pages from Directory are on table in back. Please make any additions, deletions, corrections, new cell numbers, new email addresses, etc. Please initial, when all is correct. Thank you. New Directory will be out in March.**

Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If there is an enclosure (envelope or separate sheet) in the announcement folder, and you do not plan to use it at this time, please leave it on the table in back, instead of the trash. We can save a lot of paper that way. Thanks!

# This Week at a Glance

09	Monday		
10	Tuesday	9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Office Open Franco Jenny Dance St. Bart's Book club - Gates Mills Library
			<b>Frances Jane (Fanny) Van Alstyne Crosby Hymnwriter, 1915</b>
11	Wednesday	9:00 am 6:00 pm	Office Open Franco Cub Scouts (M. Matthews)
			Charles Freer Andrews, Priest and "Friend of the Poor" India
12	Thursday	8:00 am 8:00 am	Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew Office open - York
			<b>Absalom Jones, Priest, 1818</b>
13	Friday	9:00 am 9:00 am	Office Open Franco Morning Prayer
			<u>Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Missionaries to the Slav.</u>
14	Saturday		
15	Sunday		<b>THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</b>
		8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 5:00 - 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite I Bible Study Choir Practice Holy Eucharist, Rite II Kid's Sunday

# This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of February 9<sup>th</sup> through February 15th, 2015

Monday: 80 & 77, [79] Gen. 25:19-34; Heb. 13:1-16; John 7:37-52	Friday 88 & 91, 92 Gen. 27:46-28:4, 10-22; Rom. 13:1-14; John 8:33-47
Tuesday: 78:1-39 & 78:40-72 Gen. 26:1-6, 12-33; Heb. 13:17-25; John 7:53-8:11	Saturday 87, 90 & 136 Gen. 29:1-20 ; Rom. 14:1-23; John 8:47-59
Wednesday: 119:97-120 & 81, 82 Gen. 27:1-29; Rom. 12:1-8; John 8:12-20	Sunday 66, 67 & 19, 46 Gen. 29:20-35; 1 Tim. 3:14-4:10; Mark 10:23-31
Thursday: [83] or 146, 147 & 85, 86 Gen. 27:30-45 ; Rom. 12:9-21; John 8:21-32	

How to use the Daily Office: For each day, the Psalms are split into AM (morning) and PM (evening) readings by the "&" You may read them this way or together at one time. Optional readings are in [brackets]. Below the Psalms you have an Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel reading for each day. The entire Bible can be read in two years following this format from the Book of Common Prayer.