



Church of
SAINT LEONARD
of **PORT MAURICE**

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The Epiphany of the Lord

Celebrant: Fr. Leo Schneider

Lectors: Steve Brandt/Pat Berg

Eucharistic Ministers: Jane/Sharon/Karen

Music Coordinator: Zara Turner

Order of Mass

Gathering	We Three Kings	Song sheet in bulletin
Gloria		
Responsorial Psalm	O Come All Ye Faithful	Song sheet
Gospel Acclamation		# 865 MI
Preparation of gifts	What Child Is This?	Song sheet
Holy, Holy, Holy		# 867 MI
Memorial Acclamation		# 869 MI
Amen		# 871 MI
Lord's Prayer	Sung	
Lamb of God		# 872 MI
Communion	Bread Blessed and Broken	# 326 MI
Parting	Hark the Herald	Song sheet

Mass Schedule, Meetings and Events

Regular Sunday Mass	Sundays	10:00 AM
Loaves and Fishes		Jan. 10 2 OR 5:15 P.M.
Next Council Meeting		February

Readings for JANUARY 8 through JANUARY 14

Sunday	1/8	IS 60:1-6/ MT 2:1-12		
Monday	1/9	IS 42:1-4, 6-7/ MT 3:13-17	Cash Plate	\$ 55.00
Tuesday	1/10	HEB 2:5-12/ MK 1:21-28	Envelopes	\$ 2004.00
Wednesday	1/11	HEB 2:14-18/ MK 1:29-39	Total	\$ 2059.00
Thursday	1/12	HEB 3:7-14/ MK 1:40-45		\$
Friday	1/13	HEB 4:1-5/ MK 2:1-12	Weekly need	\$ 2,000.00
Saturday	1/14	HEB 4:12-16/ MK 2:13-17	Loan balance	\$ 60,390.24

Collection: JAN. 1

See us online at www.stleonardmn.org or Facebook
 Council Chair: Ed Howard edfhoward@gmail.com, 612-532-9159

Mission Statement

The Church of Saint Leonard of Port Maurice believes that,
 with our worship and fellowship experience and faith as our base, we can achieve social justice
 through education and outreach that guides us on our Christian journey in the community.

Keep in your prayers parish members who are ill: Josephine Candalisa, Anne Schaak, Mary Ann Nash, Gladys Turner, Irene Donohue. **Mantener en sus oraciones estos miembros de la parroquia que están enfermos**

Loaves and Fishes

The monthly parish commitment to prepare and serve the Loaves and Fishes supper falls this month on Tuesday, Jan. 10. We are looking for 6-8 volunteers at 2 p.m. to prepare the meal, and the same number at 5:15 p.m. to serve the meal. We need volunteers to join us at our Loaves site, which is located in the basement of the former St. Stephen school, 2123 Clinton Av. S. Enter under the basement doorway on the E. 22nd Avenue side. The St. Stephens site is one of 20 in the metro area with a mission of providing nutritious meals to those who are hungry in an atmosphere of hospitality. More information about this program is available at: <http://www.loavesandfishesmn.org/index.html> Or ask key volunteers Ann Walsh or Ed Howard.

Passing

Word has reached the parish of St. Leonard of the death on Dec. 20 of Michelle M. Jelinek, the wife of Jeff Jelinek, who has attended our parish. More information is available at this link:

<http://www.startribune.com/obituaries/detail/171747/?fullname=michelle-m-jelinek>

Parishioners in Need of Care

St Leonard's has a ministry that sends Get Well or Sympathy cards in the name of the St. Leonard's community to people who are experiencing health issues, loss or other difficulties in their life. Please send the names of people in need of prayers and support to Maryellen: slpm3949@msn.org or leave a message on the parish phone: **612-825-5811**. Also, Father Leo has requested that you let him know anytime a parishioner is hospitalized.

TRUST MLK DAY celebration

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration sponsored by TRUST will be held on Sunday, Jan. 15 at 5 p.m. at Living Spirit United Methodist Church, 4501 Bloomington Av. S. The event includes liturgists, speakers and featured music by the Sons of Levi from St. James AME church of St. Paul. A soup and sandwich supper will follow the service.

Street assessment

The parish has been charged a street paving assessment of \$26,000 plus interest atop our ongoing expenses. That means we will need to raise \$6,000 annually for the next five years. Special donations to the fund to retire this obligation are sought by the Finance Committee.

Kingfield Empty Bowls Pottery and Ceramic Artists! Donation of food-safe, handmade bowls can help local youth. Donated bowls will be filled with soup at Kingfield Neighborhood Association's annual Empty Bowls fundraiser on Feb 9th to benefit Nicollet Square – a safe, affordable, and supportive housing option for youth (16-21) who have experienced homelessness or aged out of foster care. We are grateful for any amount of bowls you can spare. Donations can be dropped off at the ColorWheel Gallery at 319 W 46th St. (46th and Grand) before Feb 1st. Please contact Tammy Ortegon (612/823-5693) for hours. Include business cards or other ways for us to promote your art at this event. Need more info or for us to pick up larger donation? Contact Sarah Linnes-Robinson, sarah@kingfield.org 612/791-7081.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Your marriage is meant to be an outward sign of God's love to those around you. Nourish your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next available weekends are Feb 10-12 in Buffalo, Minn. and Feb 10-12 in New Prague, Minn. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit the website at: www.twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent and Tracy at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-756-8720

Feast of the Epiphany - A Reflection by Fr. Leo

Three wise men follow a star they believe will lead them to deeper wisdom. These three men are searchers and as such make a pilgrimage to the Lord. All pilgrimages are journeys lived out in the active efforts of traveling. They have a destination that is sought for spiritual purposes. This hints at the true purpose of a pilgrimage. It is not just an outward journey, but an inward spiritual quest as well.

The ultimate goal of any pilgrimage is entrance into the Kingdom of God, God's presence. In this sense we are all called to be magi, seekers of God. To enter into God's presence we do need to travel to new places where we may think and act and play differently. We need to be willing to leave the familiar behind and take up the mantle of humility to find God in the humble, simple and ordinary events of our lives.

Finally, like the magi, to enter into the kingdom we must be willing to give all we have to God, symbolized by the magi's gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh. God asks for a lot, our whole selves, which he has given us, but he also gives us the blessing of being one with him in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. That is the true Epiphany we celebrate today.

Let us follow the example of the magi that we may come to enter into the fullness of God. May God bless us in our searching.

Birthdays: Jan. 10 -- Paul Kelly; 12 – Pat Berg and Catherine Lombard.

Bulletin: The January editor is Steve Brandt. Send notices by noon on Wednesday to: slpm3949@msn.com

St. Leonard of Port Maurice is a Black National Parish, and we welcome you wherever you are on your journey! We are a diverse parish with big hearts and great action for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please come and join us in the great work of this faith community!

San Leonardo de Port Maurice es una parroquia Nacional Negro, y le damos la bienvenida a usted dondequiera que estés en tu viaje! Somos una parroquia diversa con grandes corazones y gran acción para el Evangelio de Jesucristo. Por favor, Venga y únase a nosotros en la gran obra de esta comunidad de fe