

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

27 December 2021 – Monday
John, Apostle, Evangelist Feast
First Reading: [First John 1: 1-4](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12](#)
Gospel: [John 20: 1a and 2-8](#)

28 December 2021 – Tuesday
Holy Innocents, Martyrs Feast
First Reading: [First John 1: 5 – 2: 2](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 124: 2-3, 4-5, 7b-8](#)
Gospel: [Matthew 2: 13-18](#)

29 December 2021 – Wednesday
Christmas Weekday / Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr
† Holy Souls in Purgatory
First Reading: [First John 2: 3-11](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 96: 1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6](#)
Gospel: [Luke 2: 22-35](#)

30 December 2021 – Thursday
Christmas Weekday
First Reading: [First John 2: 12-17](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 96: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10](#)
Gospel: [Luke 2: 36-40](#)

31 December 2021 – Friday
Christmas Weekday / Sylvester I, Pope
First Reading: [First John 2: 18-21](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Psalms 96: 1-2, 11-12, 13](#)
Gospel: [John 1: 1-18](#)

1 January 2022– Saturday
Mary, Mother of God Solemnity
†Ralph and Rita Cordts
First Reading: Numbers 6: 22-27
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 67: 2-3, 5, 6, 8
Second Reading: Galatians 4: 4-7
Alleluia: Hebrews 1: 1-2
Gospel: Luke 2: 16-21

2 January 2022- Sunday,
Epiphany of the Lord Solemnity
Parish Members of Montfort and Highland
First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6
Alleluia: Matthew 2: 2
Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

December 25-26, 2021

Thank You
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Capital Campaign

PLEGGED
\$63,275.00
REC'D TO DATE
\$44,075.00

Parish Stewardship December 19

Envelopes	\$1367.00
Offertory	\$126.00
Love Your Neighbor	
All Saints	
Immaculate Conc.	\$50.00
Int Comb Collection	
Christmas	\$75.00
Total	\$1618.00

Ministry Schedule Jan 1 10:30am

Ushers Jim Campbell Don Lindner
Reader Carl Kite

Jan 2 10:30am

Ushers Pete Pustina Gary Belken
Reader Dan Adams

Mass Wednesday at 7:45am
No Mass on Friday

Saturday or Sunday Mass at 6:30 or 10:30 am is streamed on ST THOMAS PARISH MONTFORT Facebook page

Saturday Mass at 4:30 pm is streamed on SS. ANTHONY AND PHILIP PARISH Facebook page

A Message From Murph

On Thursday, Father Jim will be posting **“A message From Murph”**. A weekly message on Facebook to the parishioners of St. Thomas and Ss. Anthony and Philip

From the Desk of Father Jim

A small community is a fantastic place to celebrate Christmas. We can recognize families reunited with adult children and maybe their spouses and children. Growth and development are amazing. Smiles and stories of past Christmases are recalled. Christmas hymns are filled with memories as well. Some people are missing and thus a note of sadness. A two thousand year old story touches us and the whole world. Family love is celebrated beginning with Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Smiles, tears, hugs and stories are by far the greatest gifts. Part of Christmas is sentimental but Christmas is much deeper. Light, hope and love TODAY, are key to our living faith. As our family of faith gathers to rejoice and sing, we are lifted up to recognize Emmanuel- God with us. In reality, we must remember that labor pains come before the birth. That cry of the newborn is the sound of life and change. I hope you find many scenes of “God with us” this Christmas.

The Christmas Bazaar was a Huge Success!

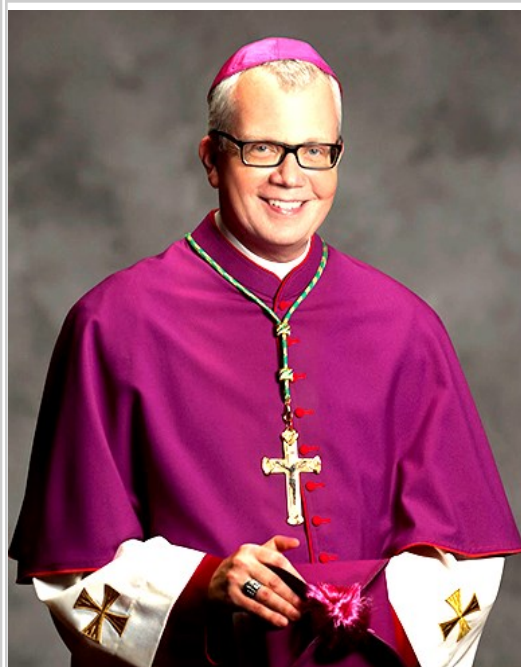
Thank you to everyone for their help, donations and participation. We made a net profit of \$3006.50

Mass Schedule for New Years

New Years Day in Highland at 9:00 am
New Years Day in Montfort at 10:30 am
No Saturday night mass



Christmas Message from Bishop J. Donald Hying



I wish all of the priests, deacons, Religious and consecrated persons, lay ecclesial ministers, and the lay faithful of our Madison Diocese the deepest joy, love, and mercy of Christ, made manifest in the beauty of the Incarnation. The light of Jesus' coming has made the darkness vanish! As we move deeper into our Go Make Disciples evangelizing initiative, I am inspired and heartened by the many people of our diocese who devotedly love the Lord and seek to spread the saving power of the Gospel. When we realize that we have been personally rescued by the Son of God from a futile life of sin and death, and promised forgiveness and eternal union with the Father, Christmas becomes a unique moment of joy, love, and thanksgiving. We have been saved and set on a path which will lead us to the light of the Father's house! May each of you know the peace and glory of this Christmas season! I will remember you and

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Christmas Eve and Holy Family Sunday December 24-26, 2021

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses
Saturday - 6:30 pm
Sunday - 10:30 am

Weekday Masses
Wednesday - 7:45 am
Friday - 7:45 am

Office Hours
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday

Sacraments

Reconciliation
Second and Fourth
Saturday at 6:00 pm
or by appointment.

Baptism
Contact the Parish Office.

Marriage
Couples planning to marry
should contact the pastor for
marriage preparation as they
become engaged.
For final preparation allow
one year in advance.

Linked with
Ss. Anthony and Philip,
Highland, WI 608-929-7490