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Confessions: Sat.Night 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

January 5, 2020 Epiphany of the Lord

Mon. 6 NO MASS TODAY
Wed. 8 NO MASS TONIGHT
Sat. 11 7:30 p.m. John & Irene Loven
Sun. 12 10:30 a.m. Kenneth Wegleitner

There is NO Rosary and Communion Service on
Tuesday & Thursday mornings during the winter months.

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Sat: Chas Pelzer & Tom Nienaber
Sun: Al Wessel & Phil Cichon

SERVERS FOR JANUARY

Saturdays: volunteers
Sundays: Frank Meagher

LECTORS FOR JANUARY

Sat: Joan Gessell
Sun: Mary Hollenkamp

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR JANUARY

Sat: Rosemary Nienaber & Joyce Johnson
Sun: Jay & Heidijo Loven
Laura & Jeff Kurtz

A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped in any way
to make our Advent & Christmas Season better.
Thanks to the choir, the decorators, Mass helpers,
and all others.

Natural Family Planning is in Long Prairie Monday,
January 27th, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary of Mount Carmel
Church. Class is about 1 ½ to 2 hours and most
insurance pay for the cost. For more information call
320-360-5193.

THE FINANCE BOARD meets Monday, January 13th
at 7:15 p.m. Members are: Jim Waltman, Karen
DeFrance, Laurie Sieben, Randy Mettler, Fr. Ron.
Trustees are Marilyn Cichon and Al Wessel

THE PARISH COUNCIL meets Monday, Jan. 13th
at 8:00 p.m. Members are: Joni Primus, Jesse
Hollermann, Karen Allen, Jerry Hollermann, Fr. Ron.
We welcome our new member, Vernon Wessel. Diane
Loven was re-elected. Trustees are Marisly Cichon
and Al Wessel.

FELLOWSHIP will be in the dining hall after our
10:30 am. Mass Sunday, January 19th. This is a good
time to relax and visit a bit with other parishioners
and to enjoy goodies with beverages.

To join others on the bus to the Cathedral in St. Paul
for a prayer service and **"March for Life"** Jan.22nd.
call 320-252-4721

Bishop Kettler will have Mass and fellowship for
"Honoring Marriage Day" on May 2, 2020 at the
Cathedral of St. Mary in St. Cloud. This is for
couples celebrating 5, 25, 40, 60 plus years of
marriage during the year of 2020. If you want to
celebrate this event with the Bishop, please contact
the office by January 21st. I will get the needed
information to the diocese. Thank you - just me - Val

HAPPY & BLESSED NEW YEAR

Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to noon. However, they do
vary so call 547-2920 first. Val's home phone 547-2479.
for bulletin: stjohnschurchswanville.org AND on face book.
Diocese web page: www.stclouddiocese.org
our e-mail: stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE
Collection for Dec. 28th & 29th

Adult	\$ 607.00
Children	\$ 1.00
Plate	\$ 161.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 20.00
Christmas	\$ 7,344.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,153.00

Thank you for your gifts and support !

FAITH FORMATION

Marge Mettler – Coordinator 547-2513
Wed. Jan. 8, 2020 Regular Classes at 6:30 p.m.

The middle school rally for 6,7,8th graders is Sun.,
Jan. 26th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. John's Prep
School in Collegeville MN. Enjoy workshops, games
activities, lunch and more including Mass with Bishop
Kettler. The Youth Group pays for this rally. Please call
Marge before Jan. 16th so she can register everyone .

AUCTION / DINNER is Friday, February 21st, 2020

**Please contact the office to tell Val what
you plan to donate for the auction.**
**We will print the action bill the end of
January so we need to know what items
we have before then.** This IS our largest fund
raiser and a lot of planning goes into it. We have been
very fortunate to have great items to auction and a great
turnout for this event. We know, with your help, this will
be another fun and successful event.

If you are looking for a gift for someone – **consider giving
them a ticket to our dinner/auction.** You can get them at
the office. Call Val in the morning at 547-2920. About mid
January they will be available at both Masses.

Retrouaille is a program to help couples with better
communications and other things for a better marriage.
For more information call 320-252-4721. Many good
things have been said about this program.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Thank you to everyone who
contributed to the appeal in 2019. The diocese is happy
to announce that it reached its goal of \$1,300.00. This
was made possible through the donations of nearly
8,000 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese.
Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that
support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other
purpose.

As we celebrate the feast of Epiphany, the three kings
brought their gifts of gold, frankincense & myrrh to
Jesus at the Christmas crib. The kings were very
generous to our Lord. I thank those who are generous
to their parish, giving of their time, talent and treasure,
to support our parish. I also thank you for your gifts and
cards given to me this Christmas Season. God Bless
you all for your generosity. Fr. Ron