

**WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY: 1/05/19 VIGIL  
 5:00 p.m. For the Parish Family of St. Mark  
 SUNDAY: 1/06/19  
 10:00 a.m. Special Intentions  
 TUESDAY:  
 9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion  
 SATURDAY: 1/12/19 VIGIL  
 5:00 p.m. Mary Lou Baker gift of Anita Shillair  
 SUNDAY: 1/13/19  
 10:00 a.m. For the Parish Family of St. Mark

**EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

SUNDAY: 10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word  
 11:15 a.m. Elementary Faith Formation  
 11:15 a.m. Youth Ministry  
 WEDNESDAY: 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice  
 THURSDAY: 1:00 p.m. AuGres Christian Charities  
 FRIDAY: Office Closed  
 SUNDAY: 10:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word  
 11:15 a.m. Elementary Faith Formation  
 11:15 a.m. Youth Ministry  
 11:15 a.m. Decorate church for Ordinary Time

**PRAYER LINE:** Please call Barb at 876-7364 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. or the parish office at 876-7925.



**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:**

**CONVENIENT ONE-STOP SHOPPING** **SUNRISE Market** **AuGres Pharmacy**  
**LET US FILL YOUR NEXT PRESCRIPTION**  
 Rick and Teresa Spies 876-8899

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**Our Cohort Mass Schedule**

SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity – Pinconning  
 4:30 p.m. at Resurrection, Standish  
 5:00 p.m. at St. Mark's – Au Gres  
 SUNDAY: 8:30 a.m. St. Joseph's – Alger  
 8:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity – Pinconning  
 10:00 a.m. at St. Mark's – Au Gres  
 10:30 a.m. at Resurrection, Standish  
 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity – Pinconning

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR:**

January 12 & 13, 2019

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD:**

5:00 p.m. S. Johnson  
 10:00 a.m. Y. Collier

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 p.m. (B) C. Dittenber (C) A. Shillair, Volunteer  
 10:00 a.m. (B) B. Caulfield (C) M. Murphy, S. Lamrouex, A. Lake, F. McGuire

**ALTAR MINISTERS:**

5:00 p.m. B. Gray  
 10:00 a.m. G. & G. Collier

**USHERS:**

5:00 p.m. B. Harris, Volunteer  
 10:00 a.m. C. & J. McAlindon, D. Ziembo, A. Woletz

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

5th Annual **AUGRES WINTER FESTIVAL**  
 Presented by the Au Gres Area Chamber of Commerce  
 January 26th, 2019 • City of Au Gres Pavilion • 2:00pm to 8:00pm



**LIST OF EVENTS**

Frosty Feet 5K Run/Walk sponsored by the AGS Class of 2019  
 Registration at 2:30pm; Race at 3:00pm.  
 \$15 Entry Fee and 12 & under FREE with Paid Adult Entrant.  
 Pre-Register Online at:  
<https://runsignup.com/race/mi/au-gres/frostyfeet5k>  
 Contact Robyn Tolliver at 989-820-7111 for more information.



UTV/Side-by-Side "Up Your River Challenge": Registration at 10:00am at the River near the Pavilion - Challenge begins at 11:00am. HELMETS ARE MANDATORY!

Poker Run: Noon to 6:00pm - \$10 & \$20 Divisions - Stops at H&H Bakery, Ali's UpNorth, T&C Sports Lounge, Modern Craft Winery, and Sportsmans Bar.

Soup Cook Off: 3:00pm to 7:00pm - Anyone Can Enter - No Entry Fee! Commemorative Soup Mug, Unlimited Soup Sampling and Opportunity to Vote with \$10 Purchase. Contact Terri Sanford-Jones at 989-876-7980 to enter.

Beer & Wine in Pavilion from 4:00pm to 8:00pm with Music from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.

\*Some events are subject to change or cancellation based on the weather.

Please contact the Au Gres Area Chamber of Commerce at 989-876-6688 for more information.



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**OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

"Returning to God what is God's"

Annual Collection Target: **\$165,000**

Adult Treasure:	Target	Actual	Balance
Last Week	\$3,174	\$9,632	\$6,458
Year to Date	\$82,524	\$96,193	\$13,669

December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>: \$3,474  
 Christmas: \$3,433  
 December 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>: \$1,976  
 January 1<sup>st</sup>: \$ 750

We appreciate your envelope even when you are away – our financial obligations continue! Thank you!

**ST. MARK 2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** will be mailed soon to parishioners who have requested them in the past. Anyone else who would like a statement is asked to call Carla at the church office. Please note that contributions received with a January postmark are recorded in 2019.

CSA statements are mailed from the Diocese to all parishioners who made a one-time gift of \$250 or more. Statements for the rest of the parishioners will be available from Carla after January 21<sup>st</sup>. Please call her if you would like your statement.

**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

"... the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel."  
 Ephesians 3:6

The Epiphany of the Lord celebrates that Christ came to all of us – not just the Hebrews. All of us, no matter our background, have unique gifts, given to us by God. How do you use your gifts to play a role in the Body of Christ?

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

~Douglas MacArthur

There are two seasonal diversions that can ease the bite of any winter. One is the January thaw. The other is the seed catalogues.

~Hal Borland (1900–1978)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

MONDAY: 1 Jn 3:22 – 4:6 Ps 2:7b-8,10-12a Mt 4:12-17,23-25  
 TUESDAY: 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-4,7-8 Mk 6:34-44  
 WEDNESDAY: 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2,10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52  
 THURSDAY: 1 Jn 4:19 – 5:4 Ps 72:1-2,14-15bc,17 Lk 4:14-22a  
 FRIDAY: 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15,19-20 Lk 5:12-16  
 SATURDAY: 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a,9b Jn 3:22-30  
 SUNDAY: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 104:1-4b, 24-25, 27-30  
 Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**COLLEEN'S CORNER**

As we continue our celebration of the Christmas season, we observe today the great Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word "epiphany" means manifestation and throughout the Christmas readings we have seen that the newborn King is eager to reveal Himself to all those willing to accept His presence in their lives. From poor and humble shepherds to the international group of magi featured in today's Gospel passage, Jesus makes it clear that He offers Himself as a gift to everyone.

We also see throughout the scriptures that God uses what is familiar to us to draw us to Himself. In the case of the magi – astrologers – He uses a star. Our Lord continues to speak to each one of us today. But we must be alert to "hear" and "see" Him in our daily lives.

How can we become better attuned to the ways God is speaking to us? We must strengthen our spiritual "senses" by spending time with the Lord in prayer every single day. In the same way that we set professional goals or exercise goals, we can set spiritual goals to ensure that we are taking the time to listen intentionally to God daily.



When we establish a regular, intentional time for prayer, we will find that the Lord continues to speak to us throughout the day. We will more easily recognize the "stars" He places before us to draw us into closer relationship with Him. We will begin to see that He is indeed present in our lives at every moment.

Blessings on your Week!  
 Colleen