

A Note from Father Stephan:

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Special thanks to so many who have done so much to make this extremely difficult year with the Covid-19 epidemic and countless ever-changing restrictions as normal as possible.

People stepped up and gave abundantly of their time and gifts so that the parishioners were able to attend the services safely and on a regular basis.

Our parish was given the opportunity to sponsor a seminarian family to let them have a little something special for Christmas. We set a target of \$700.00 for a family of seven. Even with all of the restrictions placed upon us, you shattered the targeted goal. As a result, we contacted the seminary and asked for additional families to sponsor. In total, we sponsored four families. Thanks to all who gave so much so that we could reach out to the seminarians.

Giving to the parish during the pandemic was substantial and we were able to operate with a very small loss. There are still a few days remaining in this year if anyone is able to help.

One of the most beautiful things that was developed as a result of the pandemic is our electronic outreach to those who are not able to attend due to their limitations. Communications are now online and being utilized regularly by our parishioners as well as many others. The technological ability of the parish has grown exponentially since the pandemic. This past week, we have actually been able to livestream services on our website. As a result, we have already had visitors who discovered us through these electronic communications.

This year has been a very trying year wrought with difficulties for everyone to say the least! One thing we have seen this year is the abundance of God's love made manifest through your generosity, kindness and concern for each other.

Thanks to all,

Your shepherd in Christ,

Father Stephan