

January 3, 2021

Epiphany of the Lord



The Redemptorists

# CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

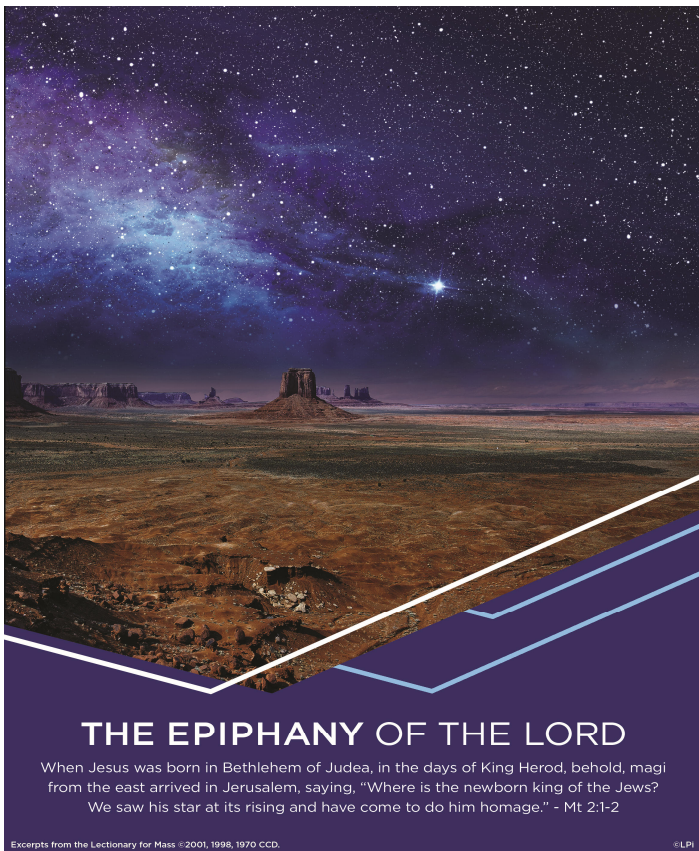
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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM  
(Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

### CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY  
6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY  
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
4:00 - 4:50 PM

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM.  
Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Monday, January 4 (Poniedziałek) - Elizabeth Ann Seton

- SH - 8:00AM †Stanislaw Banka r/o wife, Wanda
- SH - 11:00AM Health of Ryan McKee r/o mother & family
- SH - 6:00PM Mass for parishioners whom we would visit on this day (see Home Blessing/Kolenda schedule) – **live-stream**

## Tuesday, January 5 (Wtorek) - John Neumann

- SH - 8:00AM †Genowefa & Stefan Dziwak r/o son & family
- SH - 11:00AM †Wladyslaw, Aniela, Edward & Helen Korzeniowski r/o estate
- SH - 11:30PM OLPH Novena in English
- SH - 6:00PM Mass for parishioners whom we would visit on this day (see Home Blessing/Kolenda schedule) – **live-stream**

## Wednesday, January 6 (Środa) - Andre Bessette

- SH - 11:00AM †Gerald Reed r/o Joan & Lou
- SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary
- SH - 6:00PM Mass for parishioners whom we would visit on this day (see Home Blessing/Kolenda schedule) – **live-stream**
- SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

## Thursday, January 7 (Czwartek)

### Raymond of Penafort

- SH - 8:00AM †Jan i Bronislawa Rogalski r/o synowa, Krysia
- SH - 11:00AM †Kathy Ravaioli r/o Randy & Ann Knob
- SH - 6:00PM Mass for parishioners whom we would visit on this day (see Home Blessing/Kolenda schedule) – **live-stream**

## Friday, January 8 (Piątek)

- SH - 11:00 AM †Ray Chernesky r/o Lenny Lazas
- SH - 7:00 PM †Stefania Szetela r/o Jolanta Kloskowski
- SH - 6:00PM Mass for parishioners whom we would visit on this day (see Home Blessing/Kolenda schedule) – **live-stream**

## Saturday, January 9 (Sobota)

- SH - 8:00AM †Wladyslaw Misztal r/o son & family
- SH - 11:00AM †Ed Jurkowski r/o Lenny Lazas
- SH - 5:00PM †Andrew & Cecylia Rychlicki r/o Mary Marsicano

## Sunday, January 10 (Niedziela) - Baptism of the Lord

- SH - 7:00 AM †Lech Luczaj r/o Zalewski & Domaszewski Families
- SH - 9:00 AM †Al Mlynarski r/o Bednarczyk Family
- †Marie Urbanowicz r/o Bednarczyk Family
- †Florine Limyansky r/o Limyansky Family
- †Yosh Bednarczyk r/o Limyansky Family
- For the People of the Parish
- SH - 11:30 AM †Adam Szabat r/o family



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## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

"Where is that thing?" mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. "I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!" Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, "Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear." The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was." The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God's tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God's salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God's healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!





**You can listen to our broadcast from the church on 98.5 FM within a 2 mile radius.**

### TOGETHER IN CHARITY COLLECTION

On the weekend of January 9/10, 2021 the annual "Together in Charity" collection will be taken up at all Masses. The proceeds of this collection helps to fund Catholic Charities' Parish Assistance Program, which provides 24 hour / seven-day-a-week assistance to parishes faced with individuals and families with serious and urgent financial, housing or medical needs. In 2020, over 48% of the parishes in the Diocese availed themselves of this program. Please give generously to this collection and contribute to making this a blessed new year for a family or individual in crisis.

#### The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of December 20, 2020

<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 3,600.00</b>
<b>Mail-Ins</b>	<b>\$ 3,540.00</b>
<b>On-line Giving</b>	<b>\$ 2,729.00</b>
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	<b>\$ 2,035.00</b>
<b>Children's donations</b>	<b>\$ 16.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,920.00</b>

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you. Fr. Stan

*"..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - Matthew 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

#### OUR CHILDREN'S GIFTS TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

##### My Good Deed was when I:

- cleaned the pews.
- helped my mom prepare breakfast.
- helped my siblings learn.

Alex  
Vivien  
Amelia

### Give Online

Consider using ConnectNow Giving during this health crisis. Go to our website and use the "Quick Give" feature to give a one-time gift without creating a login, and you'll see a list of our special funds from which you can choose to contribute. Or you can create a login and set up a recurring donation.

Pomimo kryzysu związanego z koronawirusem prosimy o wsparcie finansowe dla parafii. Zachęcamy do korzystania z zakładki Online Giving na stronie internetowej parafii. Transakcje czynione za pomocą Online Giving są bezpieczne. Dziękujemy za wsparcie i zrozumienie.

### Readings for the Week of January 3, 2020

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/ Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/ Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/ Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30

**Next Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/ Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>.

### Catholic Charities Diocese of Metuchen

Please consider supporting our local poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, shoes, household items and small appliances to Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen. Clearly marked donation boxes are available in more than 30 locations throughout our four-county diocese. For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit <http://www.ccdom.org/how-you-can-help/clothing-donation-drop-boxes>. If you have an item that is too big to fit in a donation box, call 877-343-3651 to arrange for a free pick up at your home.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. The Caritas Team collects food **every week** at the church. Desperately needed items: Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Cereal, Macaroni and Cheese, Dried Potato Mixes, Rice, Canned Meat-Ham, Tuna, Chicken, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.



The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **January 4<sup>th</sup>** in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.

### Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Ellen Michta  
 Monday: Laurie Lukacs & Terezia Tardy  
 Tuesday: Brett & John Wood  
 Wednesday: Josephine Pschar & Marge Iarkowski  
 Thursday: John Tardy  
 Friday: Dolores Finlan  
 Saturday: John & Magdalena Daus

### Download the Parish App...

Now is the perfect time to download the parish app to keep abreast of everything that's going on during this crisis. To download:

iPhone Users Text: ParishApp1 to 555888  
 Android Users Text: ParishApp2 to 555888

To learn more visit our website.

### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Even the slightest flicker of a light helps to properly orient us when we find ourselves in total darkness. Being in darkness can be unsettling and even a bit unnerving. We lose our focus and struggle to find our bearings and achieve balance. On life's journey we may think we are walking in the light but are really lingering in darkness. We do not see the full picture, either because we are distracted, disinterested, or even apprehensive. Sometimes, we even choose to close our eyes when the light is readily available to illuminate our path. Do we really desire to know the truth of who we are? In Jesus Christ, a light has been given to those who dwell in darkness. God's revelation gives us the light to see where we come from, who we are and where we are going. It also tells us that this Good News is not meant for just a privileged few but is intended to go out to all the world. Is this something we want to see?



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said on **January 17<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00AM.

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **February 6<sup>th</sup>**.



## The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573

**Council Meetings and Social Gatherings:** Held monthly on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, respectively at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center at Christ the Redeemer Parish, Manville N.J. Catholic men 18+ who are not fellow knights but may have an interest to join are invited to the social events. For more information visit <https://www.kofc.org/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

**CLOTHING DRIVE - Cancelled until further notice!**

**Bible Study:** Bible study is every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and is currently covering Galatians. All are welcome to join the discussion.

We always have updates on our Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/>



*From the Pastor*

If any of the following items pertain to you or your family, please check the appropriate box in front of the listed item. This information will be a great help to us. You may tear off the form and deposit in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

*Fr. Stan*

- New in Parish and would like to register
- Change of address
- Request Collection Envelopes
- Moving out of Parish
- Need Information – Please CALL
- New Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Family Member (Name: \_\_\_\_\_) is ill:
  - At Home
  - In the Hospital: Room #: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Would like to receive Holy Communion

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



*We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Edwina Andreyko, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Jean Batula, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Betty Ann Cowen, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill and Denise Davidson, Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Dorothy Dinsmore, Heather Drodz, Mary Evancho, Bernice Fatto, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Christopher Gregor, Dolores Hart, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Joseph Jaworsky, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Ann Marie Lazor-Shapiro, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Cheyenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Nadine Mack, Jerry Mamola, Helen Michno, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Ned Panfile, Barbara Pankowski, Robert & John Parlier, Barbara Perone, Steven Pirello, Mary Poltarek, Elijah Paul Prater, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Steve Quintana, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Mary Rogalski, Marie Rogusky, Sylvia Rubito, Jerry Russell Sr., Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaughter, Celia Smith, Charlotte Snow, Victoria Soika, Albert Stanski, Michelle Tranter, David Urban, Frances Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Rose Zakszewski, Michael Zamorsky, Margaret & Mark Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina Zydalis.*

*God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.*



Our Men and Women in the Service

*Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially*

*SPC Christopher Elsen  
PFC Joshua Hussey  
Major James A. Jablonski Jr.  
Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF  
Airman Michael Edward Kassick III  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant John Limyansky USAF  
First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC  
SR Jerry Lee Rogalski  
Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.  
PFC Steven Ubry  
Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF*

Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

**Wise Men See God in the Simple Things**

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**Due to the pandemic we will not be doing the usual Home Blessing this year. If you would like your home blessed, please call the parish office to schedule it for the date your street would have been normally blessed (see the schedule on the following page). Moreover, every day during Home Blessing/Kolęda at 6:00 PM at Sacred Heart church an additional Mass will be said and live-streamed for the people scheduled to be visited on that day.**

**Ze względu na pandemię w tym roku błogosławieństwo domu/kolęda będzie tylko na zaproszenie parafian. Prosimy skontaktować się z biurem parafialnym, ab ustalić dzień i czas odwiedzin duszpasterskich/kolędy. Ksiądz przybędzie do waszego domu z zachowaniem wszelkich zasad bezpieczeństwa zgodnie z harmonogramem tegorocznej kolędy dołączonym na następnej stronie. Ponadto, każdego dnia podczas odwiedzin duszpasterskich/kolędy o godzinie 18.00 w kościele Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa będzie odprawiona dodatkowa Msza św. za mieszkańców danej części Manville, do której w danym dniu miał przybyć ksiądz.**

**DEC 28  
MONDAY**

**Lost Valley:**

Huff Ave.  
Angle Ave.  
Kyle St.  
John Pl.  
S. Orchard St.  
S. Arlington St.  
S. Weiss St.  
S. Reading St.  
S. Park St.  
Lee Pl.  
Kosciuszko St.  
Liberty St.  
Cooper St.

**DEC 29  
TUESDAY**

**Lost Valley:**

Boesel Ave.  
Lincoln Ave.

**North Side:**

Louis St.  
Bleecher St.  
Knopf St.  
Green St.  
St. John St.

**DEC 30  
WEDNSDAY**

**North Side:**

Marlon Pl.  
Gress St.  
Clinton Ave.  
Dalley Pl.  
St. Marks Pl.  
Dukes Pkwy.  
N. 14th Ave.  
N. 15th Ave.  
N. 16th Ave.  
N. 17th Ave.  
N. 18th Ave.  
N. 19th Ave.  
N. 20th Ave.  
N. 21st Ave.

# THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF HOMES KOLĘDA

Home blessings take place from  
9:30AM until 4:00PM.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL THE PARISH  
OFFICE TO RESECHEDULE:  
Phone: 908-725-0072

OUT OF TOWN PARISHIONERS,  
Please call the parish office to request  
a home blessing. Out of town blessings will  
take place from Jan 18th through Jan 22nd.

**JAN 4  
MONDAY**

**North Side:**

N. 8th Ave.  
N. 9th Ave.  
N. 10th Ave.  
N. 11th Ave.  
N. 12th Ave.  
N. 13th Ave.

**JAN 5  
TUESDAY**

**North Side:**

North St.  
Brooks Blvd.  
N. 1st Ave.  
N. 2nd Ave.  
N. 3rd Ave.  
N. 4th Ave.  
N. 5th Ave.  
N. 6th Ave.  
N. 7th Ave.

**JAN 6  
WEDNSDAY**

**South Side:**

S. 14th Ave.  
S. 15th Ave.  
S. 16th Ave.  
S. 17th Ave.  
S. 18th Ave.  
S. 19th Ave.  
S. 20th Ave.  
S. 21st Ave.

**JAN 7  
THURSDAY**

**South Side:**

S. 3rd Ave.  
S. 4th Ave.  
S. 5th Ave.  
S. 6th Ave.  
S. 7th Ave.  
S. 8th Ave.  
S. 9th Ave.  
S. 10th Ave.  
S. 11th Ave.  
S. 12th Ave.  
S. 13th Ave.

**JAN 8  
FRIDAY**

**South Side:**

Filak St.  
Pope St.  
S. Main St.  
W. Camplain Rd.  
Railroad Pl.  
Roosevelt Ave.  
Colorado Ave.  
Dakota St.  
Washington Ave.

**JAN 11  
MONDAY**

**Central:**

Gladys Ave.  
Rosalie St.  
N. Orchard St.  
N. Arlington St.  
N. Weiss St.  
N. Bank St.  
Louise Dr.  
Clare Ct.  
Florence Ct.  
E. Camplain Rd.  
Valerie Dr.  
N. Reading St.  
N. Bridge St.

**Weston:**

Sidorske Ave.  
Fucillo St.  
Evans Dr.

**JAN 12  
TUESDAY**

**Weston:**

E. Frech Ave.  
W. Frech Ave.  
Raritan Ave.  
Dominic St.

**JAN 13  
WEDNSDAY**

**Weston:**

Persinko St.  
White Ave.  
Harrison Ave.  
Alice St.  
Mazur St.  
Richard Ave.  
Stonewall Ave.  
Sydney Pl.  
Ruth Pl.  
Brook Pl.  
Jackson Ave.

**JAN 14  
THURSDAY**

**Weston:**

Kennedy Blvd.  
N. Greasheimer St.  
Onka St.  
Whalen St.  
Somerville Ave.  
Jasinski Ave.  
Newark Ave.  
Bound Brook Ave.  
Czaplicki St.

**JAN 15  
FRIDAY**

**Little Weston:**

Haran Ave.  
Rabens Ave.  
Fable Ave.  
Driscoll St.  
S. Greasheimer St.  
Garry St.  
King St.

