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Mon: Sunday after the Nativity

*Commemoration of St. Joseph the Betrothed, David the King and
St. James, the brother of the Lord*



Duck pin bowling Our Jr. ACRY will be going duck pin bowling in Glassport on

Sunday, February 10.

Cost is \$6 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board.

See the bulletin board to bring a covered dish for our Epiphany Holy Supper on Friday, January 18....and...

..... to request Father to visit your home for the Epiphany Blessing of Homes, next Saturday or Sunday

Kidney donor Jacob Markosky, age 33, of our Wilpen parish is in need of a kidney. He had received a kidney from his father at age 3 but it is now failing. For information on how to help, contact the Living Donor program of UPMC on-line.

This Week:

MONDAY – *Circumcision of our Lord / Feast of St. Basil*

8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

FRIDAY – 6 p.m. Holy Supper

7:30 Compline & Great Blessing of Water



SATURDAY – *Epiphany – Baptism of our Lord*

9 a.m. Divine Liturgy

11:00 Baptism-Giovanni Liscotti

Holy Water

A quantity of holy water is typically kept in a special receptacle in every church where it is available for the people to take. Holy water is sometimes sprinkled on items or people when they are blessed, as part of the prayers of blessing. For instance, in Alaska, the fishing boats are sprinkled with holy water at the

start of the fishing season as the priest prays for the crews' safety and success. Orthodox Christians most often bless themselves with holy water by drinking it. It is traditional to keep a quantity of it at home, and many Orthodox Christians will drink a small amount daily with their morning prayers. It may also be used for informal blessings when no clergy are present. For example, parents might bless their children with holy water before they leave the home on a journey or before an important event.

No services in Jacobs Creek on Saturday.

Home blessings in Jacobs Creek have been rescheduled for Saturday, Jan. 26.

Strict fast Friday, the eve of Epiphany is a day of strict fasting for Monongahela faithful.

Thank you to all who helped to make our celebration of the Nativity of our Lord so beautiful and inspiring....to our cantor *Dan Timko* for leading the congregational singing and to our *St. Nicholas Youth Choir* for their beautiful voices!

