

# Holy Trinity & St. Michael Bulletin Insert

## Sunday, January 12, 2020 – The Baptism of the Lord

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### **Giving Tree “Thank You”**

A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who helped make the joint Holy Trinity/St Michael's Advent Giving Tree project a success again this year. This year we supported 10 organizations with hundreds of gifts. The many facets of involvement by different groups and individuals truly makes this a great parish project. Every year we receive “thank you's” from many of the organizations expressing their appreciation for supporting them.

Sincerely,  
Joint Human Concerns Committee

**Thank you from Family Promise –** *Thank you so much for your generous donation to help serve the homeless in our program at the most vulnerable time in their lives. Also, thank you for recognizing this need.*

*With your help, we are continuing to make a difference in the lives of homeless individuals & families in Washington County.*

**Thank you from the Exodus House – Kewaskum –** *Thank you so much for all of the Christmas gifts! Thank you for sharing a piece of your heart to us this Christmas! You can never know how many lives you've touched, more than you know. Even the tiniest acts of love, kindness, and compassion can have massive ripple effects.*

**Thank you from Father Carr's Place –** *A huge thank you to all the parishioners who donated gifts, blankets, hats and gloves, money, gift cards to the Children's Program at Father Carr's Place. Over 350 children had breakfast with their parents, made Christmas cards, heard the story of the Nativity, visited Santa and got to pick out a gift all their own. Each child also went home with a game or puzzle, hats & gloves, blankets, stuffed animals and other goodies. This program is only made possible because of your generous donations and the time and talent shared by great volunteers! Thank you for sharing your treasures and helping to make Christmas special for so many children in the community!*

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To all the Holy Trinity and St. Michaels parishioners who donated gifts or gift cards for the Burmese family, here is a little update on the Ros from Sr. Alice Thepouthay, the pastoral associate at St. Michaels parish in Milwaukee where they worship.

First of all, very good news about the oldest son, Htee Ku Moo who is now 16, and a student at Messmer High School. He was the one who answered the door on June 25, 2015 when two men put a gun to his head and led him into the family's kitchen with the intention of robbing the family.

When Htee Ku Moo's father, Jay Ro, saw what was happening, he dove at the man with the gun, who then shot and killed him in front of his wife and children. Sr. Alice said after this happened, understandably Htee was very quiet and withdrawn. This past year a trip to Oshkosh with a youth group changed all that, according to Sr. Alice, who said something wonderful happened, and he is now a lot more open and social.

Another bit of information on the family. One of the other sons has indicated he would like to attend St. Lawrence Seminary when he is ready for high school. Is there a possibility of vocation here? No one can really predict, but the spark could be fueled in this environment led by Capuchin Fathers.

Each year, Sr. Alice is so grateful to our parishioners for donations for the family.. She said it is wonderful there are people who generously want to help the poor.

A little information on St. Michaels Church. It is located on 24th and Cherry. The Church is beautiful inside with much artwork, but more important people from many nationalities, white, African American Hmung, Laotians and Burmese come together to worship there. Currently their shepherd is Fr. Rafael Rodriguez, who once served at St. Frances Cabrini in West Bend.

Again, thank you for your generosity.

Judy Harlow - Joint Human Concerns Committee

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**Winter Spiritual Reading** St. Michael's has a registered Little Free Library. It is located near the carport facing the church's entrance doors. The concept of this particular Library is to provide books that enhance our spirituality, are about the saints, and our faith journey. If you are not familiar with the Little Free Library movement, here are the particulars--- Anyone may contribute or take books. The more the merrier! If you take a book (or two) from the Library, you do not need to return that exact book (keep it if you really like it). (They are to be of a religious nature). The Library functions on the honor system—everyone contributes to ensure that there are always good quality books for the Parish Community. Please avail yourself of this opportunity to enhance your faith life and continue to use this resource throughout the rest of the year.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Inviting all married couples to experience a weekend that will enrich their marriage! Register **today** for a Weekend that is coming up January 24 – 26th, 2020 at the Brookfield Sheraton Hotel in Brookfield, Wisconsin. For 50 years and in nearly 90 countries, Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) has provided weekend enrichment experiences to over 1.9 million couples and religious to fulfill its mission to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world. To learn more about the WWME Weekend and register online at [www.alifetimeoflove.org](http://www.alifetimeoflove.org).



### Unplanned Movie Viewing

**Holy Trinity**  
Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020  
(Eve of anniversary of  
Roe vs Wade)  
6:30pm – 8:30pm  
Holy Trinity Café

**St. Michael**  
Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
2pm – 4pm  
St. Michael Parish Hall

*Unplanned* is the true story of a Planned Parenthood Director, Abby Johnson, who after eight years as a passionate Planned parenthood spokesperson and counselor, with involvement of more than 22,000 abortions, abruptly quits her job after witnessing an ultrasound guided abortion. Her journey of transformation led her to become one of the most ardent Pro-Life speakers in America.

This movie is rated "R" for moderately graphic images, students under 17 are welcome, but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information visit [UnplannedMovie.com](http://UnplannedMovie.com).