



The Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 7 ~ Vigil/The Epiphany of the Lord
5:30 PM

Sunday, January 8 ~ The Epiphany of the Lord
9:30 AM James Lohan,
Laura Lohan/health & recovery,
Jessica Thompson/healing

Monday, January 9
9:00 AM

Wednesday, January 11
9:00 AM

Friday, January 13
9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Saturday, January 14 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM

Sunday, January 15 ~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, January 14 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Jennifer Zupetz

Sunday, January 15 ~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Eric Halahan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, January 14 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Joe Herschel (a), Kim Grzybek (c)

Sunday, January 15 ~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Lisa Dyer (a), Sue Schmaus (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan,
Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Peter Cavalier, Barbara Ceriale,
Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Marie DiMare, Tina DiMare,
Mary Donnelly, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo,
Lenore Giansanti, Margaret Hale, Ninette Kondratowicz,
Regina Lempka, Jon Miller, Gail Montalto, Janet Murphy,
Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Sue Schmaus, Chris Strobl

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment
(9 AM start)

Sunday, January 8
Youth Mass at 9:30 AM

Monday, January 9
Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, January 10
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Tuesday, January 17
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, January 18
Mamakating Knights of Columbus
Meeting *at OLA*
6:00 PM Dinner ~ 7:00 PM Business Meeting

Tuesday, January 24
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Christmas Flower Remembrance

In Memory of Walter Klimczak

Requested by Elizabeth Klimczak



Mass Attendance/Collection

at Mass on December 31 & January 1: **99**
Weekend's Collection: **\$1,235.00**

Today's Scripture Readings

The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12

About the Liturgy:

Setting Out On a New Journey

While we celebrate Epiphany today, in many Latin American countries, *El Dia de Los Reyes* (Three Kings Day) is celebrated on January 6th. This is the 12th day of Christmas and is marked by gift-giving, mirroring the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh brought to the Christ Child by the three wise men. Some celebrations begin the evening before and include parades of decorative floats with people dressed in costumes of kings bearing gifts. Today would be a good day to reflect on what gifts we bring to the Church, the Body of Christ.

In his 2021 Epiphany homily, Pope Francis highlighted three key phrases: "to lift up our eyes," "to set out on a journey," and "to see". Beginning this year, we might think of ourselves as "setting out on a journey" with the intention of offering gifts to one another in the Parish. Beyond monetary gifts is the giving that includes time in ministry, seeing the light of Christ in each other, and shining for each other. We can lift our eyes to the light of the star that guides us to Jesus, journeying in surrender and trust in God, and finding God and his presence among us.

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

What is The Epiphany of our Lord?

The name Epiphany comes from the Greek *epiphaneia*, meaning "appearance" or "manifestation," and refers to the manifestation of Jesus Christ to the world. The holiday is also called the Feast of Epiphany, Theophany, or Three Kings' Day.



The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

By the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

II. OUR RESPONSE

SENT FORTH

56. Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that the "love that we celebrate in the sacrament is not something we can keep to ourselves. By its very nature it demands to be shared with all." We are not the only ones in need of the love that Christ has shown us. We are called to help the rest of the world experience it. "What the world needs is God's love; it needs to encounter Christ and to believe in him. The Eucharist is thus the source and summit not only of the Church's life, but also of her mission." Jesus is sent by the Father for the salvation of the world. At the very end of the celebration of the Eucharist, we who have received the Body and Blood of Christ and have been incorporated more profoundly into his Mystical Body are likewise sent out to proclaim the Good News for the salvation of the world: "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

57. Pope Francis has insisted that evangelization—spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ—is a task that belongs to every member of the Church, not just a few specialists. All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization, and it would be insufficient to envisage a plan of evangelization to be carried out by professionals while the rest of the faithful would simply be passive recipients. The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized. He exhorts us all to become missionary disciples: "Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no longer say that we are 'disciples' and 'missionaries,' but rather that we are always 'missionary disciples.'" What is essential is not that one have advanced training, but rather that one discover through Christ the love that God has for us and that one desire to lead others to that same joyful discovery: "Anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love." All that is needed is for one who has known that love—the love that is displayed most preeminently in the Eucharist—to tell other people about it. All of us are called to offer others an explicit witness to the saving love of the Lord, who despite our imperfections offers us his closeness, his word and his strength, and gives meaning to our lives. In your heart you know that it is not the same to live without him; what you have come to realize, what has helped you to live and given you hope, is what you also need to communicate to others.

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