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Epiphany OF THE LORD

*Nations shall walk
by your light,
and kings by your
shining radiance.*

ISAIAH 60:3



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Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower

*O Little flower of Jesus, ever con-
soling troubled souls with heavenly
graces, in our unfailing interces-
sions I place my confident trust.
From the heart of our Divine
Savior, petition the blessings of
which I stand in greatest
need.....Shower upon me
your promised roses of virtue and
grace, Dear St. Therese, so that
swiftly advancing in sanctity and
perfect love of neighbor, I may
someday receive the crown of life
eternal.*

Amen

January 8, 2017 Epiphany of the Lord

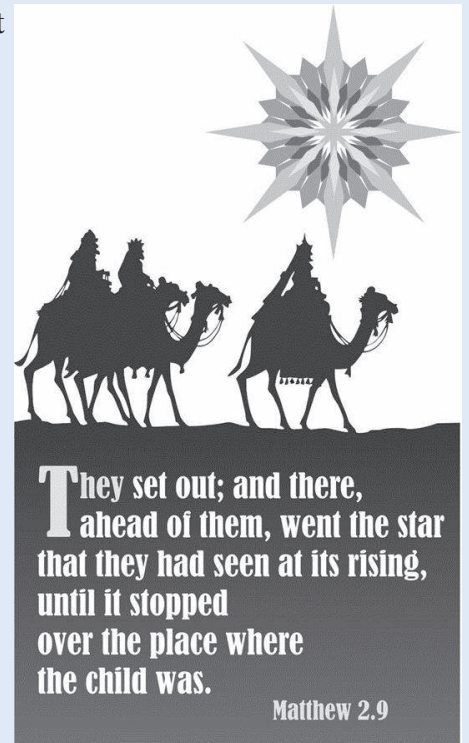
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Epiphany comes from a Greek word meaning “*manifestation*.” The visit of the Magi from the East was the first manifestation of Our Savior to Gentiles, that is, to those not of the House of Israel. It is interesting to note that the celebration of the visit of the Magi to Jesus originated in Egypt. In Egypt during the 3rd century the pagans worshipped their “*sun god*” on January 6th. The Church authorities wanted to oppose this pagan practice by celebrating the manifestation of the true Light of the World- Jesus Christ. They actually celebrated both the Nativity and the Magi’s visit on this day. By the 4th century the celebration of Epiphany had become a celebration of the entire Church.

These Magi from the East came to be known as “*Kings*” by the 6th century. This is due to the following two Old Testament prophecies which were thought to be fulfilled by them. “The kings of Tharsis and the islands shall offer presents: the kings of the Arabians and of Sheba shall bring gifts.” (Psalms 71, 10) “The kings shall walk in the brightness of Thy rising... They all shall come from Sheba, bringing gold and frankincense.” (Isaiah 60, 3-6)

Actually the name Magi is not a Hebrew word, but of Indo-European origin and means “*great, illustrious*.” St. Matthew uses this term because it was well-known to the people of his time in Palestine. The Kings from the East were unique among the royalty. These Kings seem to have been more like priestly scholars. They studied religions as well as the natural sciences such as medicine, mathematics, and astronomy. Thus we see why they are also referred to as the “*Wise Men*.” St. Matthew said that these Kings came from the East. Some hold that each one of the Kings represented one of the three races, black, white, and oriental. This may account for the tradition that it was three kings who visited Jesus since the Gospels do not mention that there were *three* kings. Also, the three gifts given to Jesus makes us assume there were only three gift givers. The lovely names of the Kings have been handed down to us from the 7th century-Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar. It was in the 12th century that the Kings were first referred to as “*saints*.” This was in the writings of Archbishop Hildebert of Tours. This veneration spread over all Europe. Church authorities did not prohibit this movement and Epiphany acquired the popular name of “*Feast of the Three Holy Kings*” in most countries of Europe.

The three gifts have been given a symbolic meaning in Catholic Tradition-the gold representing His Kingship, the incense His Divinity and the myrrh His Suffering and Death. Tradition has it that, after the Magi returned home, they were later baptized by St. Thomas the Apostle and that they worked unceasingly to spread the Faith. The Cologne Cathedral in Germany contains what is believed to be their relics which were discovered in Persia and brought to Constantinople by St. Helen, the mother of the emperor Constantine. They were transferred to Milan in the 5th century and to Cologne in 1163.



They set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was.

Matthew 2.9

Community Outreach collection for the month of January is for the Urban Outreach Center. Homeless/low income programs, clothing closet, personal care items, computer and internet access and job search assistance. Spanish speaking adult classes to receive GED. Youth services-safe place during the summer, school supply distribution etc. **Needs:** Personal care items-shampoo, soap, toilet tissue, toothpaste, deodorant (men’s & women’s), school supplies, hats, gloves, scarves, mittens, (children’s & adults), socks-primarily adults. CASH Donations are always needed & greatly appreciated and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

Fr. Campbell's Wednesday morning 6 am Men's Bible Study: Next Bible Study will be Wednesday, January 18.

The Holy Name Society will be having a meeting on **Sunday, January 15**, after 8:30 am mass in the hall. Coffee and rolls will be served. All men of the Parish are invited.

THANK YOU!

Fr. Campbell and Fr. McDermott would like to thank everyone for all the Christmas cards and gifts.

Caelo Redemptor Praetulit
(She Brought Forth the Redeemer from Heaven)

E'en heaven itself God set aside
In Maiden Mother to abide,
To clothe Himself in earthly clay,
Our Ransomer, for men to slay.

The Maiden brought Him forth to light
To save us from our sorry plight;
He bought us with His very Blood
On Cross, mid pain, in cruel flood.

May joyful hope—a welcome guest,
Drive terror forth from every breast:
Our tears and prayers the Son will heed
If Mother, for us, intercede.

The Son accepts the Mother's prayer;
Where rest her wishes, His are there.
Then let us love her each and all
And in the strife, upon her call.

Be glory to the Three-in-One
Who 'riched the Virgin with the Son;
To God in heaven let earth upraise
Through age on age, a hymn of praise.

Pope Francis asks Christians everywhere to unite in prayer for the 2017 intentions. Apostles of Prayer offer themselves to God each day for the good of the world, the Church, one another, and the Holy Father's intentions. For 2017, the Pope asks us to pray for one intention each month. He will also announce urgent intentions in response to world events.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January. Christian Unity
That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Lent is approaching fast and that means it's time for the Fish Fries to begin. There will be a meeting on **Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6:30pm**. If you're interested please bring any ideas for the success of this event. Please consider volunteering to work the events (you don't have to be there every week if it doesn't fit your schedule), donating for the raffle table and dessert table, set up, clean up, bartending, the take out area, cooking, prep, serving, bussing the tables. As you can see there are plenty of areas where we need your help, so please to make this a success give of your time, talent or treasure. Thank You

Guide to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Baptism: Born of Water and the Spirit

Alfred McBride, O.Praem., *Article #39*

Water, Spirit, and Light

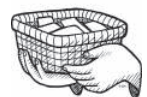
Baptism initiates us into the life of the Spirit, union with Christ, and membership in the Church. It is always connected with water, Spirit, and light. Baptism means being plunged or immersed in water. The candidate is "buried" (dies to sin) and "rises" to the new life of grace. Read St. Paul's explanation of this in Romans 6:1-5. Baptism is a bath of regeneration in the Holy Spirit. This sacrament signifies and accomplishes rebirth in water and the Spirit so we can enter God's Kingdom (Jn 3:5). It is called enlightenment because those who are to be baptized receive catechetical instruction about God's self revelation and saving work in history.

Baptism Gives Us the Power of the Spirit

The process of becoming a Christian includes several stages. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) illustrates this. The vivid rituals associated with this process of initiation of adults are powerful learning experiences: the Sign of the Cross, proclamation of the Word, catechetical instruction, exorcism, profession of faith, baptismal water and font, the candle, immersion or pouring of water (Baptism), white garment, saying the Our Father, anointing with perfumed oil (Confirmation), celebration of Eucharist and First Communion—all in the context of a supporting parish faith community. The parents are led through a similar preparation for their infant. Most likely, babies were baptized in apostolic times when whole households were brought into the Faith (Acts 16:15). Godparents and the whole parish community should help parents in developing the graces received in Baptism by both babies and adults. In Baptism all sins are forgiven, original sin and all personal sin, and any temporal punishment due to sin. But human weakness remains and the newly baptized must embark on a journey of growth in faith, moral improvement, and spiritual development. This "new creation" will have the power of the Spirit to do this.

Parish Support

	Weekend of December 25, 2016	
	\$10,220.05	
Budgeted weekly need...	\$4,900.50	
Weekly offertory	\$10,220.05	
Over/Under budget	\$5,319.55	



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MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, January 9

8:00 AM † Miller Family (Family)

Tuesday, January 10

8:00 AM † No Mass

Wednesday, January 11

5:45 PM † No Mass

Thursday, January 12

8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, January 13

8:00 AM † Priest Intention

Saturday, January 14

4:00 PM † Bill Shend (St. Anthony Rosary Society)

Sunday, January 15

8:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

10:30 AM † Caroline & Domenico Sesto (Russell Sesto)

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2017

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29/Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Ps 8/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Liturgical Ministers



For the Weekend of January 14 & 15

4:00 mass J. Lauzon

8:30 mass B. Havrilak

10:30 mass D. Stader

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 2:45 pm

Closed Friday

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to valang@tds.net by 9:00 AM Thursday of the week before publication.

PRIVACY LAWS: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, hospice, etc. With the new privacy laws, medical institutions will not call unless you ask them to notify the Parish. If you would like a home visit, please call the Parish Office or Homebound Ministry.

Parish Directory

Weekend Masses	Saturday Evening	4:00 PM
	Sunday Morning	8:30 & 10:30 AM
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday & Friday	8:00 AM
	Wednesday	5:45 PM
	No 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday or Saturday	
Holy Day Masses	Please consult Sunday bulletin.	
Confessions	Saturday	3:00 to 3:45 PM
	Sunday	8:00 to 8:15, 10:00 to 10:15 AM
First Fridays	Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM	

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Adults or children interested in baptism, reception into the Catholic Church, Confirmation and/or First Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

Baptism Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Baptism. Those who wish to have a child baptized must be attending Sunday Mass regularly for at least six months.

Marriage Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements. Couples who are sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

Home Visitation Anyone unable to attend Mass because of sickness/old age, contact the Parish Office.

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