



The Faith Community of

# ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a

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### OUR PARISH MISSION

*We are a welcoming Christian family committed to Catholic values, responding to the call of Christ revealed in the diversity of human need. We practice a conscious, living, active faith in a community whose source of strength is the Eucharist.*

### *Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower*

*O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unfailing intercessions 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 5, 2020 The Epiphany of the Lord

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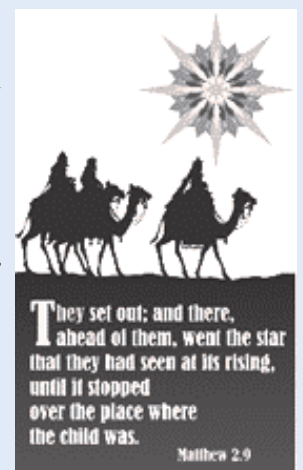
Epiphany comes from a Greek word meaning “*manifestation*.” The visit of the Magi from the East was the first manifestation of Our Savior to Gentiles, that is, to those not of the House of Israel. It is interesting to note that the celebration of the visit of the Magi to Jesus originated in Egypt. In Egypt during the 3<sup>rd</sup> century the pagans worshipped their “*sun god*” on January 6<sup>th</sup>. 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> century-Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar. It was in the 12<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> century and to Cologne in 1163.



**There will be no Men's morning Bible Study until January 15.**

**PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH**, and visit them if possible: Jan Petrin, Diana Sauter, Josephine Gombar, Germaine Brennan, Gerry Buhnerkempe, Sue Kratowicz, Rebecca Dugan, Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski, Sandra Reider, Phyllis Giovannoni and Daniel Lenegar. If anyone knows of any other sick persons in our parish, please call the rectory 262-694-4695.

**Parish Potluck & Game Day Jan. 19, 2020  
In the Parish Hall 12:30 – 3:30 pm**

Please join us for a fun parish family day of fellowship, food and games for all to enjoy! Your extended family & friends are welcome.

**Christian Women's Circle of St. Therese** – Our next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, January 13th** at 9:00 am. We will also have an evening meeting on Wed., January 15th at 6:30 pm.

**Community Outreach collection for the month of January is for Walkin' In My Shoes.** Supporting all the needy of the community, especially Grandparents raising their Grandchildren-providing basic necessities and resources for a better life. **Needs:** School supplies & backpacks, Children's socks & Personal care items. **\*\*Grocery store gift cards** to purchase fresh foods, juice, milk & bread. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be placed in the Community Outreach box.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for January. Evangelization: Promotion of World Peace.** We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

**Parish Support**

Weekend of December 22, 2019

**\$7,250.00**

Budgeted weekly need...	\$4,327.00
Weekly offertory	\$7,250.00
<b>Over/Under budget</b>	<b>\$2,923.00</b>
Plan YTD	\$90,865.00
Actual	\$92,524.00
<b>Excess (5 months)</b>	<b>\$1,659.00</b>

**Four-Part Study to be led by Fr. Campbell on book *The Marian Option: God's Solution to a Civilization in Crisis*:** Beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2020, Fr. Dwight Campbell, S.T.D. will lead a four-part study on the book *The Marian Option: God's Solution to a Civilization in Crisis*, by Dr. Carrie Gress. As the world descends into chaos, many options have been presented to deal with Christian persecution and cultural decadence. Dr. Gress shares with us why turning to Our Blessed Mother is the option that God has given us in these times of social and moral confusion and disorder. Book study will be held at St. Therese parish hall (2020 91<sup>st</sup> St., Kenosha) Tuesday evenings: Jan. 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11 and Feb. 18, 7- 8:30 pm. The book is available for purchase at Holy Family Catholic Bookstore for \$20.

**SPIRITUS** is seeking Catholic young adults, 21-29 years of age, to join the SPIRITUS missionary team this August. SPIRITUS ignites the faith in thousands of young Catholics through retreats and parish youth ministry each year! Missionaries live in community and travel to parishes and schools throughout Wisconsin; they receive training, formation, spiritual direction, lodging, food, a monthly allowance, health insurance and a \$2,000 stipend upon completion of the 9-month program. It is a unique opportunity to serve our Lord and help young Catholics grow in faith. Visit [www.spiritusministries.org](http://www.spiritusministries.org), contact Rachel at [recruiter@spiritusministries.org](mailto:recruiter@spiritusministries.org), or (920) 722-8918 x113 for more information.



**Check out our PARISH LIBRARY**

In our community room (where we have coffee/donuts) we have a parish library that we have been building for many months. In our library you'll find books on various topics: theology, prayer/spirituality, lives of the saints, etc.; we also have dvds with wholesome movies as well as stories of the saints and other religious topics. Just fill out a card to take out a book or a dvd.

**Sign up for FLOCKNOTE!** To sign up: Send the word LOOP (typed in all caps) as text message to this address: 84576. Then you will be in our parish "loop."

**MASS INTENTIONS for the Week**

**Monday, January 6**  
 8:00 AM † Mary Hagood (Dick & Terry Stader)  
**Tuesday, January 7**  
 8:00 AM † Mary Nagode (Nagode Family)  
**Wednesday, January 8**  
 5:45 PM † Hallie Young (Nagode Family)  
**Thursday, January 9**  
 8:00 AM † No Mass  
**Friday, January 10**  
 8:00 AM † Lorraine Flasch (CWC)  
**Saturday, January 11**  
 4:00 PM † Eileen Johnson  
**Sunday, January 12**  
 8:30 AM † Sandra Reider  
 10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

*Readings for the Week of  
 January 5, 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/Mt 3:13-17

**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 Friday to 6:00 AM Saturday	
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)		
Parish Telephones	Parish Office	262-694-4695
	Fax	262-694-7284
	Rel. Ed. Coord.	262-705-9097
Liturgical Musician	Jan Sleyster	262-331-4734
Sacristan	Jim Lauzon	262-945-1855

All Saints Catholic School	262-925-4000
St. Joseph Catholic Academy	262-654-8651

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K-6 Rel. Ed. Coord.	beth.sturino@wi.rr.com	
7-12 Rel. Ed. Coord.	heatherschweitzer04@gmail.com	
Heather Schweitzer	262-914-2288	

**Parish Staff**

Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Dwight P. Campbell, S.T.D.
Shared Associate Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Robert T. McDermott
Rel. Ed. Coord.....	Beth Sturino
Liturgical Musician.....	Jan Sleyster
Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor.....	Mary E. Vestal

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Robert Beales, Trustee Treasurer	Kristen Kelly
Jim Lauzon, Trustee Secretary	Ray Irving
Paul Gillespie, Chairman	Patricia Soens
Claudia Volpentesta, Vice-Chairman	
Rita Van Guyse, Secretary	

**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 four 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.

**Estate Planning** Please keep St. Therese in mind when planning your estate. This is a wonderful gift that will last many years.