

JANUARY 3, 2021 . . . THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 2

5pm **Peter Masella**; Martha & Robert Burns

SUNDAY 3

9am **John Elter**; Pat Boenisch & family

10:30 **Peter Masella**; Marie Bordinaro

Noon **Albert Fini**; Maria Maffettone

MONDAY 4

8:15 **Carmen Verbert**; Tom Simmons

TUESDAY 5

8:15 **Frank Dobbs**; Fitzmaurice family

WEDNESDAY 6

8:15 **Angela Murri Zani & Armando Zani**;
Carbonaro family

THURSDAY 7

8:15 **Audrey Holshek**; Lorraine Greenwood

FRIDAY 8

8:15 **Joseph Pipon**; Tom Simmons

SATURDAY 9

8:15 **Armando Mastrantoni**; Vincenzo &
Fiorella Fini

5pm **Josephine Reynolds**; Bob Smith

SUNDAY 10

9am **Jenny Greenwood**; Jim & Terry Miner

10:30 **Gino Pilgrene**; Jane Galvin & family

Noon **Kay Hurley**; Hurley family

ALL MASSES LIVE STREAMED ON YouTube

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY
FROM OUR COMMUNITY IN THE MILITARY,
BOTH HERE AND ABROAD
SAINT MICHAEL, PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE.**

James Davis Jr., Rocco Church, Tyler
Correa, Alex Davis, Mark Gonzalez,
Michael Grasso, Erin Johnson, Alex
Kaczor, Kayla Marion Katt, Mark Lawlor,
Lauren Lucena, Matthew Mackay,
Draven Mena, Ryan Michaels, Evan Pacer, Michael
Polanski, Cory Seipp, Josh Truman, David J. Wiley



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things.

Epiphany comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.

The feast commemorates principally the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child, and thus Jesus' physical manifestation to the Gentiles. It is sometimes called Three Kings' Day, and in some traditions celebrated as Little Christmas.

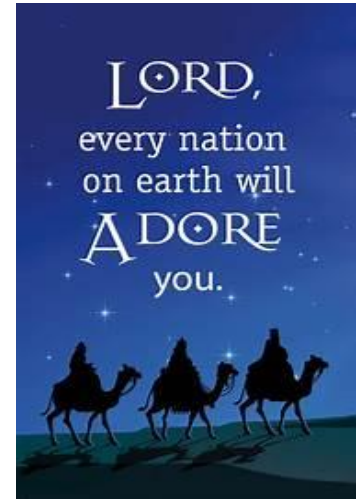
Like many of the most ancient Christian feasts, Epiphany was first celebrated in the East, where it has been held from the beginning almost universally on January 6th.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Veronica Cantasano, Robert Palumbo, JoAnn Traina, Anthony Pastore, Frances Pastore, Bob Armistead, Thelma Figueroa, Carmen Tumbaga, Tom Jimenez, Olivia Picnicky, Mary Luciana, Janet Begnoche, Moquete, Christianna Scrobe, Maritza Montes, John Mattera, Ralph Schiano, Jeanne Yost, Benjamin Howard, Sue Orts, Connie Yacenda, Carmen Almirol, Laurie Patterson, Daria Bekersky, Katie Rogan, Joan Bonomi, Teresa Patruno, Mila Werlitz, Andrew Upson, James Fox, Nancy Rhodes Mayo, Justin Holland, Joseph Michael Kennedy, Patrick Finley, Marie Tobin, Jon Sezack, Ruth Rivera, Vilma Rosario, John Schiano Jr, Claire Scunziano, Paula Baraket, Pat Baldwin, Sean Devlin, Robert Scunziano, Brenden Hedding, Lorraine Kalafut, Gabe Fritz, Laura Favorule, Susan Zikoyanis, Michael Medina, Mary Ackerman, Valerie Moore, Sylvia Muccio, Joe Kennedy, Kim Salotti, Charles Youngberg, Alice Verlizzo, Cecilia Rivera, Allison Florio, Vinnie Greco, Donna Fagan, Nikita Zanichkowsky, Karlene Gray, Rosa Maria Ramos, Ricky Calderin, Bob Gatt, Emily Scrobe, Marian McDonald.

TWO GRAND CLUB SERIES

Winners for this week:

#80 Eileen & Diane Bailey and #109 Ed Stoddard



Have A Blessed New Year!

MEMORIALS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

HOST & WINE are dedicated this week
in loving memory: **Mary Beth Lombardi**
req: Eric & Sue Anne Vogelsberg



FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, SANCTUARY LIGHTS ARE BURNING IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Red: **Lawrence Schall**; family

White: **Danny Mulvey**; Rose & Jean Tuzio

Blessed Sacrament: **Margaret & Eugene Rayeur**;
granddaughter, Jean

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON FEAST DAY: JANUARY 3

PRAYER IN SAINT ELIZABETH'S NAME:

"Lord God, you blessed Elizabeth Seton with gifts of grace as wife and mother, educator and foundress, so that she might spend her life in service to your people. Through her example and prayers may we learn to express our love for you in love for our fellow men and women. We ask this through Christ our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever." Amen.

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was the first native born American to be canonized by the Catholic Church. Born two years before the American Revolution, Elizabeth grew up in the upper class of New York society. She was a prolific reader and read everything from the Bible to contemporary novels.

In spite of her high society background, Elizabeth's early life was quiet, simple, and often lonely. As she grew a little older, the Bible was to become her continual instruction, support and comfort - and she would continue to love the Scriptures for the rest of her life. In 1794, Elizabeth married the wealthy young William Seton, with whom she was deeply in love. The first years of their marriage were happy and prosperous. This time of Elizabeth's life was to be a brief moment of earthly happiness. Within four years, William's father died, leaving the young couple in charge of William's seven half

brothers and sisters, as well as the family's importing business. Events moved quickly from there with devastating effect. Both William's business and health failed. In an attempt to save William's health, the Setons sailed for Italy, where William had business friends. William died of tuberculosis while in Italy. Elizabeth's one consolation was that he had recently awakened to the things of God. The accepting and embracing of God's will would be a keynote in her spiritual life.

In Italy, Elizabeth captivated everyone by her kindness, patience, good sense, wit, and courtesy. During this time Elizabeth became interested in the Catholic Faith and, over a period of months, her Italian friends guided her in Catholic instruction.

Having lost her mother at an early age, Elizabeth felt great comfort in the idea that the Blessed Virgin was truly her mother. She asked the Blessed Virgin to guide her and officially joined the Catholic Church in 1805.

At the suggestion of the president of St. Mary's College in Baltimore, Maryland, Elizabeth started a school in that city. The school had originally been secular but once news of her entrance to Catholicism spread, several girls were removed from her school. It was then Seton, and two other young women who helped her in her work, began plans for a Sisterhood. They established the first free Catholic school in America. When the young community adopted their rule, they made provisions for Elizabeth to continue raising her children.

On March 25, 1809, Elizabeth Seton pronounced her vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, binding for one year. From that time, she was called Mother Seton. Although Mother Seton became afflicted with tuberculosis, she continued to guide her children. The Rule of the Sisterhood was formally ratified in 1812. It was based upon the Rule St. Vincent de Paul had written for his Daughters of Charity in France. By 1818, in addition to their first school, the sisters had established two orphanages and another school. Today, six groups of sisters can trace their origins to Mother Seton's initial foundation.

For the last three years of her life, Elizabeth felt that God was getting ready to call her, and this gave her great joy. Mother Seton died in 1821 at the age of 46. She was beatified by Pope John XXIII on March 17, 1963 and was canonized on September 14, 1975 by Pope Paul VI.

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY
2021