The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5th, 2020 Cycle A
January Mass Intentions

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Schedule of the Week:
Mon through Friday
.................. 8:00am Mass
Silent adoration from Monday to Friday
8:30am to 4pm.

A Prayer for the Blessing of the Home
ON THE
FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
...

Lord God of Heaven and Earth,
you revealed your only-begotten Son
to every nation
by the guidance of a star.
Bless this house
and all who inhabit it.
Fill us with the light of Christ,
that our concern for others may reflect your love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

FROM THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

In every age and in every culture, people seek God just as the Three Kings did and, in every age, with the help of the Holy Spirit, they find him in the surprising humility of a baby born in a manger. Led by the Spirit, they come to realize that God's criteria are quite different from those of men, that God does not manifest himself in the power of this world, but speaks to us in the humbleness of his love.- Pope Francis on the feast of the Epiphany on Jan. 6th, 2015.

Santo Niño Fiesta Celebration
Where: St. Finn Barr Parish
Date: Saturday, January 11, 2020
Time: Procession and Rosary at 4pm;
4:30pm Holy Mass; Reception afterwards at Goode Hall; RSVP & for more info. contact: Jean & Angel

O miraculous Santo Niño, prostrate before your sacred Image, we beseech you to cast a merciful look on our troubled hearts.
Let your tender love, so inclined to pity, be softened at our prayers, and grant us that grace for which we ardently implore you. Take from us all unbearable affliction and despair.
For your sacred infant's sake bear our prayers and send us consolation and aid that we may praise you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever.

PIT SEÑOR! VIVA, SANTO NIÑO!
- Catholics surviving on Faith alone.
Collections: Weekly Goal: $5,000  
December 28-29th Offerings.............$2,108  
St. Vincent de Paul..............................................$554  
Thanks for your continued support.

Mass Assignments - Jan. 11th & 12th:

Sat. Jan. 11th, 2020, 4:30pm  
Lector: ..................T. Fontanilla  
Lay Ministers:..........S. Lloa & M. Acosta  
Server(s): .................Volunteer  

Sun, Jan. 12th, 2020, 8:30am  
Lector: ..................Knights of C  
Lay Ministers:..........Knights of C  
Server(s):................Volunteer  

Sun, Jan. 12th, 2020, 10:00am  
Lector:....................K. Nieto  
Lay Ministers:..........M. Lemus & C. Wiater  
Server(s):...............Volunteer  

Sun, Jan. 12th, 2020, 11:30am  
Lector:....................Elizabeth Gomez  
............................Zoila Huerta  
Ministers:................Carmen Dominguez  
............................Indiana Arguello  
............................Marjorie Hernandez  
Server(s):...............Volunteer

Sat., Jan. 25, 2020 8:00 PM - 12:00 AM  
Location: Goode Hall

Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Feast on Louisiana Gumbo, Jambalaya, Red Beans & Rice, Hot Links, etc.

Featuring a free dance lesson from 7-8PM, great raffle prizes, King & Queen raffle and more! Advance Dance Ticket is $25 / $30 at the door (Adults Only).

For inquiries & if you want to volunteer, contact Louis & Alice Guidry at 415-760-1454

All proceeds benefit St. Finn Barr Parish. We thank you for your support!

35th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Solidarity Gospel Mass Sunday, January 19,  
10:45 am St. Paul of the Shipwreck Church,  
1122 Jamestown Ave. (at Third St.), SF Parish Office 415-468-3434 Most Reverend Fernand J. Cieri, OFJ, Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans, Presider and Homilist will be there. This year’s Shipwreck Community Service Award will be given to Julio Escobar, Restorative Justice Ministry, Archdiocese of San Francisco.
The Epiphany of the Lord, Cycle A
Sunday, January 5th, 2020

First Reading
Isaiah 60:1-6
Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Every nation on earth shall worship the Lord.

Second Reading
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

Gospel Reading
Matthew 2:1-12
The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.

Reflection on the Epiphany

Today is the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord. The word “epiphany” means manifestation. The Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of the Savior, Jesus Christ, to the gentiles in the persons of the magi—the three wise men Melchior, Balthasar, and Gaspar.

The gifts of the three kings: gold, frankincense, and myrrh have special significance. The gift of gold signifies that Jesus is a King. In the Book of Revelation, Jesus is referred to as “the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.” The gift of frankincense signifies that Jesus is the High Priest and also God. Throughout the Old Testament, the high priest would offer incense to God in worship. For the same reason, the priest incenses the altar during the Holy Mass to honor the presence of God. The last gift, myrrh, seems at first, a strange gift for a newborn baby because myrrh was used as part of embalming and burial customs. This last gift signifies that Jesus has come into the world to die as the ultimate sacrifice for the sins of mankind in order to reconcile mankind with God.

How does the Epiphany apply to us today? First of all, we can be thankful for our knowledge of the One True God, the loving Creator of all mankind who loves us so much that He sent His Son to reconcile us with Himself. Furthermore, because of this knowledge, we must make time and effort to worship God each day by attending the Holy Mass and receiving Holy Communion every Sunday and as much as we can during the week, making time to adore Christ like the magi through the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, as well as daily prayers such as the Most Holy Rosary.

Secondly, we must resolve to manifest Christ to others—to bring Christ to whomever we encounter by our words and actions. The light and love of Christ must shine through us, so that all those with whom we come into contact may be drawn to Jesus for the salvation of their eternal souls.

“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16

The vision of Saint John in the Book of Revelation gives us a hopeful and triumphant image of a redeemed mankind.

“After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.” Revelation 7:9

Like the three kings, may we earnestly seek Christ and His Kingdom! Like the Blessed Virgin Mary, may we manifest Him to others!-from the Holy Rosary site
EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR
DOMINGO 5 DE ENERO 2020

LECTORES: Marlon Baldízón
         Evelyn Ibarra

MINISTROS: Luis Calderón
           Magda McDonald
          Alejandra González

INTENCIÓN: Hoy Domingo recordemos a nuestros
amigos y hermanos que han pasado a mejor vida
en especial Steve Clark. Qué nuestro Señor lo
tenga en su santa gloria.

Miren que ya viene el Señor todopoderoso;
en sus manos están el reino, la potestad y
el imperio.

REFLEXIÓN:
Primera Lectura – Del profeta Isaías. En esta
lectura, Isaías profetiza la grandiosidad de
Jerusalén. Allí se realizarán todas las aspiraciones
de una humanidad purificada y reunida a la luz de
Dios. En Jerusalén la humanidad tendrá
plenamente lo que anhelaba: la luz, la unidad, la
felicidad perpetua, la paz y Dios será todo en todos.

Segunda Lectura - De Pablo a los Efesios. En esta
lectura Pablo les da una voz de aliento a los
habitantes de la provincia de Efeso, por la gracia
que Dios le ha concedido a él a favor de ellos. En
este sentido, hasta los paganos son partícipes de
destas mismas promesas en Jesucristo.

Evangelio según San Mateo. En este Domingo en
que celebramos la Epifanía del Señor, Mateo nos
narra la visita de los magos al Niño Jesús.

La palabra Epifanía significa “manifestación” y
referida a Jesús, corresponde a los momentos en
que Él se manifiesta o se revela al mundo. Los
magos no eran reyes, sino adivinos y sacerdotes
de una religión pagana y conocían mucho de la
astrología. Esta visita tan extraña a la cuna de
Jesús es para que entendamos mejor que en
cualquier tiempo, el Salvador se da a conocer por
lo menos a algunas personas aún en los lugares
donde pareciera que el Evangelio no fue
anunciado. Los magos que consultaban los Astros
fueron guiados por una estrella, ya que Dios llama
cada uno según su manera de ser. Los magos
después de adorar al Niño, le ofrecieron regalos:
oro, incienso y mirra. Dios sabe hablar a todos los
hombres por medio de los acontecimientos y de
sus propios ideales, que los guían a manera de
estrellas.

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ANUNCIOS:

1. Nueva Junta Directiva del Club Latino 2020:
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   Vice Presidente: Marlon Baldízón
   Secretaria: Violeta Sarria
   Tesorera: Aura Lila Beteta
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   Luis Calderón

   Muchas gracias a la Directiva saliente y
   bendiciones para la entrante.

2. Celebración del Señor de Esquipulas: Domingo
   19 de Enero misa solemne. Después de misa, se
   continúa la celebración con una tardeada.
   No lo olvide.

3. BAILE ZYDECO: Sábado 25 de Enero. Haga
   planes para esa fecha. El ticket cuesta $25.00
   por adelantado y $30.00 en la puerta. Música
   en vivo y venta de comida. Todo lo recaudado
   es a beneficio de nuestra Parroquia.

   Hemos visto su estrella en el Orient y
   venimos con regalos a adorar al Señor.