



The Epiphany of the Lord, January 3, 2021



When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn King of the Jews? We saw His star at its rising and have come to do Him homage."
- Mt 2:1-12

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| Mon.- | Jan. 4 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Tues.- | Jan. 5 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Wed. - | Jan. 6 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Thurs.- | Jan. 7 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Fri. - | Jan. 8 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Sat.- | Jan. 9 | 7:30 am | No Morning Mass |
| Sat.- | Jan. 9 | 5:00 pm | † Bob Leiden |
| Sun.- | Jan. 10 | 8:00 am | † Joe Stevens, Anniv. and The L & D of our Parish |
| Low Mass, Latin 11:00 am | | † Joyce Philips | |
| Feast of the Holy Family | | | |

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4 – 4:45 PM



The Sanctuary Lamps burn
For the Poor Souls in Purgatory,
The week of
January 3 – January 9

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, January 9

5 PM Amanda Price and Kylee Karlheim

Sunday, January 10

8 AM Melissa Sopata, Evan Larkin, Bryson Nagle

LECTORS

Saturday, January 9

5 PM ?

Sunday, January 10

8 AM Michele Larkin

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Suspended until further notice

As is bodily contact at the Sign of Peace

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Families using Sunday Envelopes:

| | NUMBER | PERCENT |
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| December 27, 2020 | 48 | 16% |
| December 25, 2020, Christmas Collection - \$4,017.00 (Total to date - \$4,944.00) | | |
| December 27, 2020, weekly/monthly - \$1,385.10 | | |
| December 27, 2020, Repair Fund - \$320.00 | | |
| December 27, 2020, Fuel Fund - \$0 | | |
| December 27, 2020, St. Vincent de Paul - \$412.00 | | |
| † SVDP Conference - \$92.00 | | |
| † SVDP Food Pantry - \$320.00 | | |
| Add. Immaculate Conception - \$52.00 | | |
| Add. Retirement – Religious - \$61.00 | | |
| Add. Christmas Flowers - \$20.00 | | |
| Add. St. Mary/St. George Cemetery Fund - \$50.00 | | |

Catholic Ministries Drive

44 Families (16%) have pledged \$7,210.00

Our Parish Goal is \$20,569

Parish Breakfast – Cancelled for today, Sunday, January 3. See you on Sunday, February 7, 2021!

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***Parish Prayer List*** – We entrust to the care of Christ the Divine Physician, those members of our Parish Family in need of Healing in Body, Mind, or Spirit especially **Greta Stevens, Jacob Miller, Alvin Spacht, Bob & Clara Fitzpatrick, Dick Anna, Derek Miller, Gerard Macaluso, Bernie Ropchock, Leona Hoover, Angel Sherwood, Kara Vozniak, and Rose Moxley.** May they embrace their trials in union with the Crucified Christ for the salvation of souls, and the remission of sins.

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To Start A New Year

“A New Year is unfolding-like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within.

Lord, let this new year be filled with the things that are truly good-with the comfort and warmth in our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others.

As we make our New Year’s resolutions, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be Possible – with Your help and guidance.” - *Anonymous*



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Paul Jenkins, Louise Leonard** and **Delores Shatrosky.** May flights of angels wing them to Paradise, and may their souls and the souls of all the Faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. *Amen...*

COVID – 19

All the directives for the celebration of Mass and the reception of the Sacraments during this time of the Coronavirus pandemic remain in effect.

Please Remember:

Please wear a mask - for your protection and others.

Social distance - 6 feet away from your neighbor in the pews, standing in line for Holy Communion and at the Communion Rail.

Take your conversations outside after Mass has ended - no gatherings inside the Church.

If you are sick, stay home – You are dispensed from assisting at Mass until further notice.

Without our best, conscious effort - we could face the possibility of closing Churches again!

BE SMART, STAY HEALTHY

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***EPIPHANY SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021 – (Mt. 2:1-12)*** – The Magi in today’s Gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Do not let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the lives of your children. – *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar*

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REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL – When we place the Magi in our Christmas cribs, the truth that their visit declares and the symbolism that their presence in the crib proclaims is the Gospel truth at Jesus is King for all the nations of the earth. This is what we pray for in the words of the responsorial Psalm 72: the establishment of God’s Kingdom of justice and peace throughout the world so that the rights of the poor and helpless are respected and the cries of the needy are answered. – *Living Liturgy, The Epiphany of the Lord 2021*

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***Latin Classes to Begin*** – Ecclesiastical Latin classes will be offered this spring via live online, interactive sessions. The Latin of the 1962 Roman Missal will be taught over ten weeks at two levels: Beginner Level 1 and Level 2. Dr. Charles Blume, parishioner of Most Precious Blood of Jesus Parish, in Pittsburgh, will teach these classes starting the **week of January 18**, in one session per week, with specific days and times to be determined. To sign up and for more information, including the course fee, please contact Dr. Blume at [cblume1888@gmail.com](mailto:cblume1888@gmail.com).

***In addition***, two live online Latin classes (non-credit) will be offered remotely in the spring through the Community College of Allegheny County. Dr. Blume will also teach these distance classes (levels 1 & 2). The sessions will meet on Mondays (level 2) and Tuesdays (level 1), 6:30 – 9:30 PM, in an 8-week term beginning the **week of February 22**. To sign up for one of the courses and for more information go to: <https://shopcommunityed.ccac.edu/Courses/Languages.aspx>.

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BLESSING OF THE EPIPHANY WATER AND HOMES

The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates the threefold manifestation of the divinity of Our Lord to the whole world: the adoration of the Magi; the Baptism of Christ in the Jordan; and the first miracle at the wedding feast of Cana. The Magi in seeking the Christ Child to adore Him foreshadow the spread of the faith to the Gentiles.

The Blessing of the Epiphany Water begins with the *Litany of Saints*, the *Agnus Dei* and Psalms, after which, the Priest chants a powerful exorcism against Satan and his legions. An antiphon extols the fruits of the Baptism of Our Lord and references the wedding feast at Cana, and then the exorcism of salt and water begins. After the salt is added to the water, the *Te Deum* is sung, and a simple, but profound prayer beseeching God’s mercy ends the ceremony.

The exorcisms are unique to the Epiphany water and make it a powerful Sacramental against attacks of Satan so that “wherever this water and salt is sprinkled it may turn aside every attack of the unclean spirit.” The water is poured into the Holy Water tank and is used in the blessings of homes during the Octave of the Epiphany.

The home is blessed on the Feast of the Epiphany or during the Octave by a Priest or senior member of the household. The purpose of the blessing is to witness to the Faith and to beseech salvific benefits and protection from evil. If a Priest is present, incense is used. Holy water is sprinkled throughout the home and, using blessed chalk, the lintel of each exterior-leading door is marked with the year and initials of the three Kings, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. The initials also form the first letters of the Latin prayer *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* (May God Bless this house), and serve as a reminder of the date and purpose of the blessing.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR, AND WE PRAY THAT 2021 WILL BE A BETTER YEAR FOR ALL,
MAY GOD BLESS US, AND BRING FATHER ANANIAS BACK TO US SOON!