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47 South Sixth Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – JANUARY 5, 2020 (YEAR A)



The Epiphany
of the Lord
Then they opened
their treasures and
offered Him
gifts of gold,
frankincense, and
myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

MISSION STATEMENT: We, the people of God of Our Lady of the Assumption parish, are a uniquely gifted people of Cape Verdean heritage. We share a common belief in a God whose love is unconditional and whose dream is that every man, woman and child grow to full potential through the Paschal Mystery. We believe that the foundation of our faith lies in the very act of creation in which the human dignity of each person is born. We understand that we are called to be actively involved in the mission of Jesus. Service to this mission is our way of travelling together on the journey to our God as one body in union with the whole Church.

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Monday - Wednesday 8:00 am
Saturday: 11:00 am (see bulletin), 4:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:00 am (English)
11:00 am (Portuguese-Crioulo)
Holy Day of Obligation 7:00pm (Check Bulletin)

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Sudhir Nayak, SS.CC.
Priest in residence: Fr. Alfie McHugh, SS.CC.
Faith Formation Gr. K-6: Ms. Maria Grace
Confirmation/ Youth: Ms. Renee Ledbetter
Sexton: Ms. Ana Bela Mendes
Parish Secretary: Mr. Raimundo Tavares

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Second and fourth Sundays of the month. Baptism preparation is required of parents and godparents. E-mail: OLObaptism@gmail.com

CONFESSION: Upon request, please call the Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Call for an appointment with the pastor at least six months in advance. No dates given before this appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please notify the rectory of any parishioner who is unable to attend Mass due to illness or age. Eucharistic Ministers are available upon request.

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
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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. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. — Mt 2:10-11

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

A light shines for all to see, revealing God's glory and drawing people from all over. In Isaiah the light is in Jerusalem, the holy city, attracting kings and caravans. In the Gospel, the light is in the sky over Bethlehem, attracting magi from the east. Paul preaches that the light shines equally for all, Jews and Gentiles, "copartners" in the promise of salvation. Let us listen today for all the foreign places and peoples, enabling us to sing, "every nation on earth will adore you."

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION NOVEMBER 2019

December 1	\$2,053.49
December 8	\$2,133.25
December 15	\$2,403.65
December 22	\$2,131.00
December 29	
Heat & Fuel	\$945.05
Retired Religious Collection	\$624.00
Christmas Collection	\$1,300.79

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF JAN. 6 – JAN. 12

- Monday: 8:00AM
- + Tuesday: 8:00AM
- + Wednesday: 8:00AM
- + Thursday: NO MASS
- Friday: NO MASS
- Saturday: 11:00AM
- NO MASS
- 4:00PM – VIGIL MASS
- + Kenneth Joseph (by Bea Fortes)
- Sunday: 9:00AM
- + Antonio Ramos, Jr. (by family)
- 11:00AM – FOR THE PEOPLE

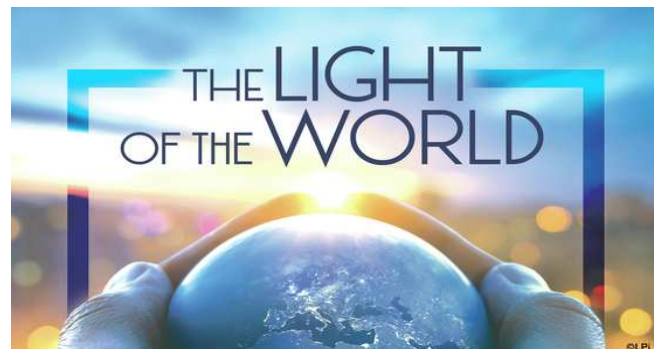


Sanctuary Lamp – Jan. 5 – Jan. 11

In Memory of
Deceased Members of O.L.O.A

Please remember in your prayers those who have asked for our caring support:

Carol Almeida-Fortes & Megan Sylvia



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever experienced a time in your life when everything came together and became abundantly clear? You may have been confused about something, in the dark, at a point of doubt, or unclear as to how to act. You may have questioned someone's motivation and found yourself coming to the wrong conclusion. Then out of nowhere, the insight came and reality dawned. You experienced an epiphany of sorts! Today, we celebrate Christ's manifestation to all of the nations of the world. Has it dawned on you yet that Jesus Christ is the answer humanity has been seeking? Jesus is truly the beginning and end of all things and the key to understanding God's presence in every human heart. Once this real Epiphany dawns on us, we can never see God, ourselves, or one another in any other way. The Divine Light illumines everything and connects the dots.

Question of the Week: How has an encounter with the Lord led me in a new way? Am I willing to change my route in the future?

Second Collection next weekend is for our parish's heating bills. Please be generous. Thank you for all your continued support to our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

Those that wish to mark a Mass or Sanctuary Lamp for 2020, the book is now opened. We kindly ask that payment is made at time of booking a Mass or mailing in payment when scheduling a Mass.



Budget Envelope: Budget Boxes are available in the parish hall to be picked up. They are arranged by last name.

Lectors & Eucharist Ministers Jan. 11 & Jan. 12

Vigil 4:00PM Lector: Janice Harris

Eucharist Ministers: Mary Ann Rogers & Nuno Barros

9:00AM Lectors: Carolina Ramos & Marion Oliveira

Eucharistic Minister:

11:00AM Lectors:

Eucharistic Minister:



FACE WINTER BRUNCH ON CAPE COD

The Catholic schools in the Diocese of Fall River serve almost 7,000 students in 20 schools. Students are challenged to achieve their highest potential, and are called to grow in faith and academic excellence. They are future leaders and the core of our community.

Each year, FACE brings the community together to raise much needed scholarship funds for Catholic school children in need. Event Co-Chairs Albert Makkay Jr. and Gillian Lewis Milligan invite you to The 15th Anniversary FACE Winter Brunch which will be held on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at the Coonamessett Inn of Falmouth. All proceeds from this event go directly to student scholarships across the Diocese. Please consider becoming a sponsor and helping make a difference for hundreds of students and families in need. So many young lives will be changed for the better with your support!

Hope to see you at the event as we celebrate the good work of our community together.

To register online and learn more about sponsorship opportunities please visit:
www.FACEwinterbrunch.org or call Jane Robin 508-380-7521 for more information.

Individual Tickets; Adult Tickets \$35, Youth (under 13) \$15, and Children (under 6) \$5.

Bishop da Cunha's new blog

Did you know that this past Wednesday Bishop da Cunha launched a blog called "Building Faith?" That's right! With the intent of sharing regularly with the faithful of the Diocese in an easy and increasingly popular way, Bishop da Cunha hopes to post each week on a variety of topics to our community of faith. Read Bishop da Cunha's blog at fallriverdiocese.org

AFRICAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR **SAVE THE DATE!**

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13, 2020

**The internationally acclaimed African Children's Choir will perform at
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The African Children's Choir melts the hearts of audiences with their charming smiles, beautiful voices and lively African songs and dances. The program features well-loved children's songs, traditional Spirituals and Gospel favorites. Concerts are free and open to all. Donations will be accepted at the performance to support African Children's Choir programs, such as education, care and relief and development programs. Anyone interested in serving on the planning committee please contact, Sister Marianna 508-982-1462

The Greater New Bedford Catholic Schools "Celebrates the Beauty of Every Child" by providing an educational culture that helps students from across the academic spectrum reach their God-given potential. With an emphasis on service and respect for the dignity of every person, we prepare students to meet the challenges of today's diverse world and become meaningful contributors to society.

We invite you to visit our schools and experience our intimate environment where students feel safe, welcomed and loved — and form friendships that last a lifetime.

Please join us for our Open House/ New Student Information Night.

All Saints Catholic School Sunday, January 26th from 11:30-2 pm.
www.ascsnb.org

Holy Family-Holy Name School on Monday, January 27th from 6:30-7:30 pm. www.hfhn.org

St Francis Xavier School on Sunday, January 26th from 12-2 pm;
www.sfxacushnet.com

St James-St John School on Tuesday January 28th from 5:30-7:00 pm www.sjsjschool.com

St Joseph School on Sunday, January 26th from 12:00-2:00pm.
www.saintjosephschool.org

We look forward to meeting you and learning about the beauty, you will bring to our school community!



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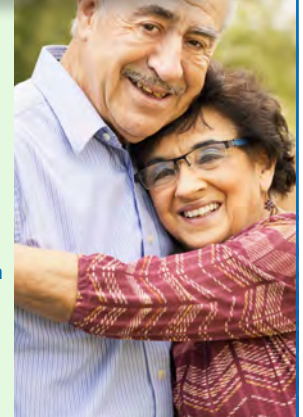
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