

To the Parishioners of St. Mary the Virgin

Bishop Athanasius Schneider of Kazakhstan has offered 12 steps for Catholic families to survive in a heretical wasteland. He said that parents must:

1. See persecution as a grace from God for becoming purified and strengthened, not simply as something negative.
2. Become rooted yourself in the Catholic faith through study of the Catechism.
3. Protect your family's integrity above all else.
4. Catechize your children as your first duty.
5. Pray with your children daily, such as litanies and the Rosary.
6. Turn your home into a domestic church.
7. In the absence of a priest and Sunday Mass, make spiritual communion.
8. Withdraw your family from a parish spreading error and attend a faithful parish, even if you have to travel far.
9. Withdraw your children from school if they are encountering immoral danger in sex-ed.
10. If you cannot withdraw your children, establish a coalition of parents to fight for that right.

11. Fight for parental rights using available democratic tools.
12. Be prepared for persecution in protecting your children (see first point).

The bishop said that being a Catholic "family" in the truest sense of the word is the key to survival.

"From my experience of the time of the persecution, the vital importance is the family, the integrity of the family, and that both parents are deeply rooted in the faith. This is then transmitted to the children. I would like to say that the children have to receive the faith with the milk of the mother. And then the first task of the parents is to transmit to the children the purity, the beauty, the integrity of the Catholic faith in a simple manner."

"Of course, [education] is the first duty of parents. When their children

are taught in the school in an immoral way, they have to withdraw the children. This is their obligation. You cannot expose your children to an immoral danger. It is impossible. Catholic parents, in defending their children from this immorality, have to be even ready to suffer, yes, to suffer consequences."

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Prayer for Vocations

Priest: Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

All: O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest: Bless our families. / Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

Priest: Mary Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(For the Greater Glory)

Flowers: CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Sanctuary Light: SMV for the people of the parish.

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady: Teresa Dean *in thanksgiving.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Joseph: Bella Kaplan *for a special intention.*

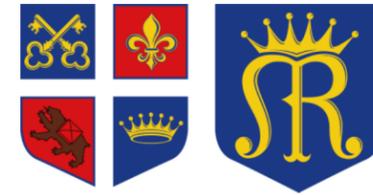
Lamp at the Shrine of St. Therese: Bella Kaplan *in celebration of Max Kaplan's birthday.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Blessed Charles I: The Southard family *in thanksgiving for Celeste's recovery.*

Lamp at St. Thomas Moore: SMV *for the people of the parish.*

Lamp at St. John Fischer: SMV *for the people of the parish.*

Lamp at the Altar of Relics: SMV *for the people of the parish.*



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Welcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Liturgical Ministers

January 5, 2020

- 8:00 a.m.** Altar Server.....Jon Carr
UshersNance FitzGibbon & Eli Castro
- 10:30 a.m.** Master of Ceremonies.....John Williams
ThuriferMartin Morris
CruciferJoseph Morris
Torchbearers.....Nate Brinkley/John Paul Morris
Boat Boy.....Matt Garland
First ReadingJoe Morris
Intercessory PrayersCarole Morris
Ushers.....Brandon Brinkley / Stephen Schmitt
- 6:00 p.m.** Altar Server.....Paul Denning
Ushers.....Charlene Schwartz / Maria Zichichi
Office Help.....Nance FitzGibbon / Ben Oliver

Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2020

Music of the Mass

Music is in the red or blue hymnal or in the tabs of the Divine Worship notebooks indicated in bold.

- Prelude.....*We Three Kings of Orient Are*
by J. H. Hopkins
- Entrance Hymn.....**Hymnal** page 128
- Kyrie.....**Mass Settings Tab** page 3
- Gloria, Sanctus, Agnus Dei.....**Mass Settings Tab** page 3
- Offertory Hymn.....**Hymnal** page 124
- Mysterium Fidei.....**Mass Settings Tab** page 2c
- Credo III.....**Mass Settings Tab** page 13
- Amen.....**Mass Settings Tab** page S15
- Pater Noster.....**Mass Settings Tab** page 17
- Communion Hymn.....**Hymnal** page 119
- Recessional Hymn.....**Hymnal** page 135
- Postlude.....TBA

Adult Choir Rehearsal on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Youth Choir Rehearsal resumes on
Sunday, Jan 12 following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Collect

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy Only Begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may be led onward through this earthly life, until we see the vision of thy heavenly glory; through the same Jesus Christ thy son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Scripture of the Mass

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall walk by your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Lift up your eyes round about, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far, and your daughters shall be carried in the arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Masses said by lector and people after the First Reading. Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Gradual

All they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and incense: and shall show forth the praises of the Lord.

V. Arise and shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brethren: I assume that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that is, how the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(For the Greater Glory)

The information that appears on the A.M.D.G. list on the back page of the bulletin is taken from the sign up sheets on the bulletin board in the Narthex of the church. Note that in addition to altar flowers, there are now 8 shrines that you can have lit for your intention for the week.

After filling out the form in the desired week, please use the envelopes on the table below the bulletin board to submit your payment. You may drop your payment in the collection basket during the Mass, mail or drop off in the parish office or put into the mailbox located in front of the fence near the play area.

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Masses chanted by priest and people. Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Alleluia

Alleluia. Alleluia.

We have seen his star in the East:
and are come with offerings to worship the Lord.
Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise Men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him."

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet: 'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel.'"

Then Herod summoned the Wise Men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."

When they had heard the king they went their way; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The Prayers of the People

Intercession (Form 3 on Page 25)

For Those in Special Need

Grace; Isobel; James; Buddy; Jean; Kim; Calli; Mary; Amy; Hunter; The Lenahan family; Nina; Dang; Soan; Chiem; Felix; Charlotte; John; Dominic; Donald; Peter; Isabella; Ronald; Carol; Beverly; Shelli; Echo.

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Pierson; Lucas; Patrick; Richard; Victor; Byron; Luke; Tommy; Christian; Chelsey; Dillon; Mathew; Alton; Annie; Josh; Sebastian; Brandon; James; Jacob.

For Those Expecting Children

Mary Pat & Sam; Helen & Brian; Joan & John Paul; Rebecca & Brinton; Lisa & Chris; Alice & Joseph; Lisa & Adam; Colleen & Rafael.

For the Faithful Departed

On the Anniversary of Their Deaths

Monday: Jack Steele; Don Stewart; Tuesday: Dinah Thayer; Wednesday: Myrtle Brown; Thursday: Jim Allen; Friday: Michael Dale Martin.

For those Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

Monday: Amber Phelps (B); Wednesday: Br. Michael Bell (B); Echo Lewis (B); (B); Thursday: Sam Brennan (B); Nance Fitz-Gibbon (B); George Lilienstern (B); Zack & Celeste Southard (W); Friday: Soosaipillai Emmanuel (B) Saturday: Doug Jaeger (B).

This Week at St. Mary the Virgin

Sunday, January 5

Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m.
Knights of Columbus meeting at 12:15 p.m.

Monday, January 6

Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(Mass Intention: Marion Honquest, RIP)

Tuesday, January 7

Mass at 7:00 p.m.
(Mass Intention: Repose of the Souls of the Members of the Legion of Mary)

Wednesday, January 8

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.
Mass at 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 9

Men's Examen Group at 10:30 a.m.
Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(Mass Intention: Joseph Hayden, RIP)

Friday, January 10

Mass at 9:00 a.m.
(Mass Intention: Maxwell Kaplan)
Adoration 10:00 a.m. — 6:00 p.m.
Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 11

Martyrs Men's Group at 8:00 a.m.
Mass at 9:00 a.m.
(Mass Intention: Kendyll Eryn Jones)
Confessions at 10:00 a.m.
Children's Epiphany Party at 2:00 p.m.

News and Notes

Become a Part of the Knights

The Knights of Columbus, for men ages 18 and over, supports the life of the parish by organizing events throughout the year, fundraising, and supporting the Pastor and other members of the community as the need arises. They also carry each other as men and brothers in the faith!

The Knights meet on the first and third Sunday of each month following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you are interested in learning more, go to our website, stmarythevirgin.org. If you're interested in joining our local K of C 13363 chapter please contact our Grand Knight, Brandon Gunnip or the parish office.

Church Decorations Take Down

Within the week, the Christmas decorations in the church and parish hall will need to come down. A

date has not yet been set, so we ask that you keep an eye out for an email blast asking for volunteers.

Religious Ed and ENDOW Resume

A reminder that Religious Ed will resume on Sunday, January 12 at 9:15 a.m. The Women's Study Group, ENDOW, will also resume on Sunday, January 12th at 9:15 a.m. in the parish office located in the rear of the parking lot.

The Parish Offering

Weekly Offering Forecast.....	\$6,000.00
Actual Offertory for 12/29/19 and End of Year	\$12,841.00
Christmas Offertory.....	\$6,734.00
Variance.....	\$13,575.00

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