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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.



Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany

January 7, 2024

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - [Isaiah 60:1-6](#): Jerusalem, arise! Your light and the Lord's glory shine upon you, attracting nations and kings. Joyfully, your sons and daughters return, bringing wealth and praise to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm - [Psalm 72](#): *R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.* God's wisdom and justice in the king will usher in an era of fairness, peace, and expansive dominion, earning tributes from afar and devotion from all nations.

Second Reading - [Ephesians 3:2-3A, 5-6](#): God's grace entrusted to me reveals a mystery: Gentiles are fellow heirs with Jews, part of one body, sharing the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel - [Matthew 2:1-12](#): Magi from the east, guided by a star, sought the newborn King of the Jews in Jerusalem, unsettling King Herod and the city. Informed by religious leaders about the prophesied birth in Bethlehem, Herod deceitfully instructed the magi to report back after finding the child. Following the star, the magi reached Jesus, worshipping Him and offering gifts. They returned home by another way, divinely warned to avoid Herod.



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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Daily: 8:30am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or any time by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Each Sunday during Mass at 11:00 am.
Call the Rectory to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Marriages are to be scheduled at least six months in advance by interview with a parish priest. Pre-Cana conferences are required.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to be brought to the home or hospital.

After 830am Mass on First Saturdays

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Last Thursday of the month 7pm; First Friday, 9:00 am;

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after 8:30 am Mass

Rosary 8am, Before daily Mass

PARISH REGISTRATION: Census cards are in the Rectory

Parish Outreach: Coordinator—Maria Fedele

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

FIRST SATURDAY, January 6th

8:30am +Parishioners & Benefactors

5:30pm +Dorothy Kotylak from the Sacred Heart Rosary Society

SUNDAY, January 7th

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8:00am +Doris May Rogalski

9:30am (Polish) +

11am (Family Mass) +Althea Sidor



MONDAY, January 8th

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8:30am +Theresa Kobylenski

TUESDAY, January 9th

8:30am +Edwin Slavonik

WEDNESDAY, January 10th

NO MASS

THURSDAY, January 11th

8:30am+Dorothy Kotylak from Sue & John Stype

FRIDAY, January 12th

Saint John Neumann

8:30am +

SATURDAY, January 13th

8:30am + Parishioners & Benefactors

5:30pm +Dorothy Kotylak from Phyllis Noncarrow

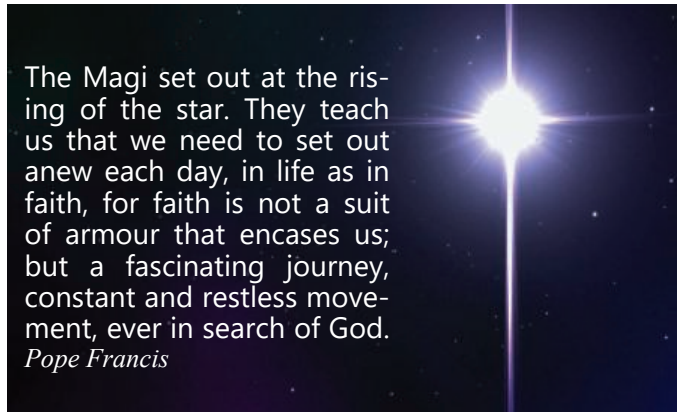
SUNDAY, January 14th

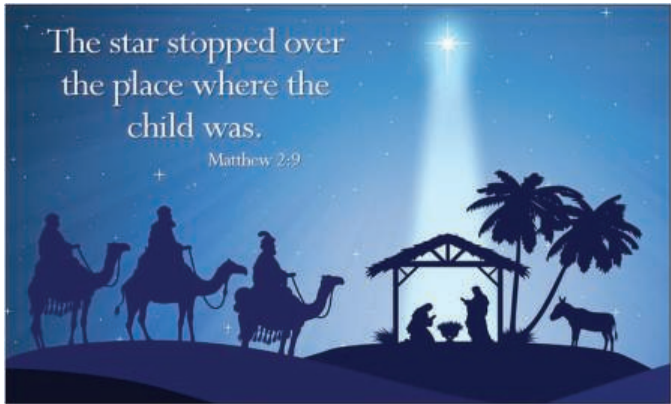
8:00am +Blessings for Anne Goshco from Sue & John Stype

9:30am (Polish) +

11am (Family Mass) +Cindy Goldsmith from family

The Magi set out at the rising of the star. They teach us that we need to set out anew each day, in life as in faith, for faith is not a suit of armour that encases us; but a fascinating journey, constant and restless movement, ever in search of God.
Pope Francis





Instructions for Blessing the Home

With blessed chalk mark the top of your front door

20 + C + M + B + 24 saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human 2024 years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then say the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and for ever. Amen.

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, Christus mansionem benedicat: "May Christ bless the house."

The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "24" at the end mark the year.

Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.

Bishop Robert Barron extracts five spiritual lessons from the story of the Magi in Matthew's Gospel. First, he emphasizes the importance of attentiveness in spiritual life, likening it to the Magi's contemplative stargazing. Second, he stresses the necessity of taking action once God's will is discerned. Third, Barron points out that walking the spiritual path inevitably involves facing opposition, both from the world and darker spiritual forces. Fourth, he highlights the need to offer Christ the best of ourselves, not holding back our talents or love. Finally, Barron notes that encountering Christ leads to transformation, suggesting that one cannot come to Christ and remain unchanged, symbolized by the Magi returning home by a different route.



Prayer at the Manger With the Magi

Let your light shine on us, O God, as the star showed the way to those who searched for Christ. May we always seek the Lord, encounter Him and offer Him the treasure of our lives, now and forever. Amen.



THEOLOGY 101:

With Father Roy Tvrdik

CLASSES RESUME

JANUARY 17

Wednesdays 3pm followed by Mass at 4:30

FINANCIAL CORNER

Sunday December 24: \$2706

Christmas: \$11,428

Fuel/AC: \$200

Flowers: \$170

Renovations: \$3250

TOTAL: \$14,504

Thank you for your Generosity

Prayer Requests Please Pray For:

Mary Berdinka; Maureen Sanok; Juan Carlos Romay; Greg Lamm; Lisa Eastwood; PEACE; Lauren Uribe; Laurie Krom; Billy Hickox; Helen Puric; Jackie Bendick; Our Youth; Victims of Abuse; the unemployed/under employed; Our Country; the end of abortion; priests & deacons.



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