# St. Matthew Catholic Church

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#### **Epiphany of the Lord**

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#### **SUNDAY LITURGY**

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)

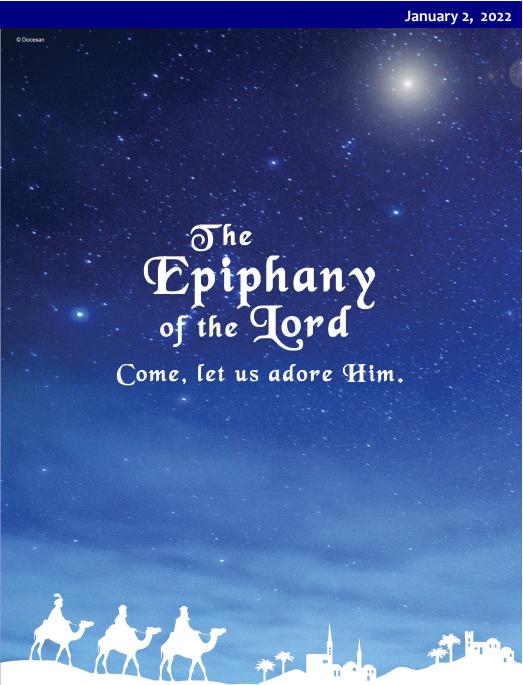
#### WEEKDAY LITURGY:

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

**Saturday** 2:00-3:00 p.m., or by appointment

"I will be with you always, even to the end of the world." Mt 28:20



#### Mass Intentions for January 1-January 9

#### Saturday, January 1-The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

4:30 pm Mass For The People

#### Sunday, January 2-Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am +Msgr Dixon Hartford +Msgr David Fierro +Luis G Ramirez

10:00 am +Anthony VIjil +Martin Torres

12:00 pm +Maria de Jesus Franco

Thursday, January 6-Christmas Weekday 9:00 am +Santiago Gonzalez

+Haydee Ramirez Friday, January 7-

Monday, January 3-

Christmas Weekday

SI Carlos Escobar III

+Cecelia Hernandez

Tuesday, January 4-St Elizabeth Ann Seton

+Santiago Gonzalez

+Cruz Leticia Franco

+Haydee Ramirez

SI All Our Priests

Wednesday, January 5-

St John SI Carlos Escobar Jr

Family

SI Saudo Ortega

9:00 am

9:00 am

9:00 am

**Christmas Weekday** 9:00 am SI Carlos & Nancy Escobar

#### Saturday, January 8-**Christmas Weekday**

4:30 pm +Concepcion Acosta

#### Sunday, January 9-Baptism of the Lord

+Guillermo Lucero SI Michael Escobar

10:00 am SI Wade Daw +Veronique Carrillo SI Dolores Cuaron

12:00 pm Mass For The People

#### **CALENDAR AND EVENTS JANUARY 2-JANUARY 8**

#### Sunday, January 2

11:30am-1 pm 11:15-1 pm NO Confirmation class NO RCIC School/ Bld J 11:15-1 pm NO RCIA Conference Rm

Monday, January 3 NO Faith Formation 5:30-6:45 pm

Tuesday, January 4
NO Faith Formation 5:30-6:45 pm

Wednesday, January 5

9:45 –10:15 am 5:30-6:45 pm Fellowship NO Faith Formation Sacred Heart Rm School 6:30-8:00 pm Yarn for Love Sacred Heart Rm

10 am –12 pm NO Spanish Bible Study

, Sacred Heart Rm NO Bible Study Sacred Heart Rm 6-8:30 pm

Friday, January 7 10 am Fri– 9 am Sat 24 hour Adoration

Church

School

School

Saturday, January 8 Church 2-3 pm Reconciliation

# Stewardship

#### January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (MATTHEW 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold - we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense - represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh - is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

#### 2 de enero de 2022 La Epifanía del Señor

"...Se postraron ante Él v lo adoraron. Entonces abrieron sus cofres y le ofrecieron sus regalos de oro, incienso y mirra" (MATEO 2:11)

¿Qué regalos le da usted al Señor? El papa San Gregorio dijo que estos tres dones representan lo que deberíamos dar al Señor cada día. El oro debemos reflejar la sabiduría de Cristo en todas nuestras relaciones. Incienso - representa nuestras oraciones diarias y la adoración a Dios. Mirra - es un símbolo de nuestros sacrificios diarios que nos unen con Jesús por el bien de los demás.

#### **Other Information:**

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 9 am

#### **Upcoming Envelope Schedule**

January 2: 1st Sunday January 9: St Vincent De Paul

Adoration on Friday from 10 am—5 pm. First Friday Adoration: 24 hours beginning at 10 am on Friday and ending with Benediction on Saturday at 9 am

#### Join us on Facebook:

Rosary: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 5:30 pm

#### **First Saturday Devotion**

Rosary at 9:30 am Mass at 10 am

#### **Bantism Information**

Baptism Classes are the second Thursday of every month 6 pm- English, 7 pm- Spanish Baptisms are the third Saturday of every month 10 am- English, 11am- Spanish

#### Prayers of the Faithful

That we reflect God's wisdom, pray to God and unite our sufferings with Jesus' every day.

Que reflejemos la sabiduría de Dios, que recemos a Dios y unamos nuestros sufrimientos a los de Jesús todos los días.

#### January 2, 2022

*The Epiphany of the Lord–(C)* Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

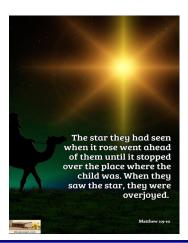
#### Your Light has Come!

Many traditional religions have in some way ascribed divinity to light- either they claim that light emanates from a god or that light itself is divine. This is probably because light is a primal necessity, essential for life. We find such thinking in today's readings.

"Your light has come" (Isaiah 60:1) says today's Old Testament reading. This is Isaiah's glorious message for the people of Jerusalem. The city had been destroyed; the people scattered; the future looked bleak. This message must have filled the people with hope. Not only does light bring them hope, but the light actually streams from their God. It is the Lord who shines, bestowing his radiance upon them. This light is filled with promise.

The story of the Magi is not meant primarily for children who delight in moving figurines of the three kings a bit closer to the stable every day. This is an adult story about an inner darkness and enlightenment. The strangers, ignorant of Israel's traditions, were able to read the signs of the times. Because of their openness, they found the Light of the World. The learned men of Jerusalem were well-schooled in the ancient promises, for they knew where to send the strangers. However, they felt threatened by these signs. They closed their minds and hearts to any omens that might imperil their positions of privilege. They had a chance to benefit from this new light, but they turned their backs to it.

-Sr Dianne Bergant, CSA



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#### 2 de enero de 2022

La Epifanía del Señor (C) **Is** 60:1-6 **Ef** 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

Muchas religiones tradicionales han atribuido de alguna manera la divinidad a la luz, ya sea que afirman que la luz emana de un Dios o que la luz en sí misma es divina. Probablemente esto se deba a que la luz es una necesidad primordial, esencial para la vida. Encontramos ese pensamiento en las lecturas de hoy.

"Tu luz ha venido" (Isaías 60: 1) dice la lectura del Antiquo Testamento de hoy. Este es el glorioso mensaje de Isaías para el pueblo de Jerusalén. La ciudad había sido destruida; la gente se esparció; el futuro parecía sombrío. Este mensaje debe haber llenado de esperanza a la gente. La luz no solo les da esperanza, sino que la luz realmente fluye de su Dios. Es el Señor quien brilla, otorgándoles su resplandor. Esta luz está llena de promesas.

La historia de los magos no está destinada principalmente a los niños que disfrutan moviendo las figuras de los tres reyes un poco más cerca del establo todos los días. Esta es una historia para adultos sobre una oscuridad interior y una iluminación. Los forasteros, ignorantes de las tradiciones de Israel, pudieron leer los signos de los tiempos. Debido a su apertura, encontraron la Luz del Mundo. Los sabios de Jerusalén estaban bien educados en las antiguas promesas, porque sabían adónde enviar a los extranjeros. Sin embargo, se sintieron amenazados por estos signos. Cerraron sus mentes y corazones a cualquier presagio que pudiera poner en peligro sus posiciones de privilegio. Tuvieron la oportunidad de beneficiarse de esta nueva luz, pero le dieron la espalda.

-Sr Dianne Bergant, CSA



Tuesday morning Bible Study will resume on Jan 18 following the 9 AM morning Mass. We will be studying First Corinthians by Dr. Tim Gray for eleven weeks. If you are interested in joining, please contact Christy Balsiger at 915 525 5384 or

at hcbalsiger1@aol.com.



#### Remember those who have asked for our prayers. May God grant them healing:

Lourdes Leal, Alicia Ramirez, Javier L. Medina, Selena Leyva, Tyler Blanco, Miquel Mendoza, Cindy Samaniego, Adrian Lopez, Juvencia Ontiveros, Terry Lopez, Nathan Lopez, Willie Hernandez, Lori Watson, Carlos Hijar, Shelby Cole, Emilio Castaneda, Alfredo Marquez IV, Clara May Milbourne, Mary White, Connie Dearen, Norma Castro, Gia Rose Macias, Concepcion Calderon, Angel Aquilar, Diana Robison, Lorenzo Almanza, Victor Castillo, Beto Ramirez, Matias Sosa, Irma Ludwig, , Ramon Ramirez, Jeanine Cicchetti, Ramon Chavez, Efren Martinez Jr., Sandra Martinez, Juan Manuel Molina, Richard Albin, Rosemary Allen, Nicholas Rede, Bianca Martinez, Mary Garcia, Jacob Raymundo, Richard Baish, Josephine Perez, Lorenzo Ortega, Carlos M. Garcia, Mary Lou Rede, Frances M. Birdseye, Alfredo Marquez III, Vanessa Trujillo, Monica De La Cruz, Sam Gutierrez, Mia Martinez, Manuel Escobedo, Susan Salinas, Arturo Lopez, Hortencia Montes, Martha Alarcon, John Rudolf, Gilbert Gonzalez, Henry Ragsdale, Lupe & Joe Gonzalez, Megan Marquez, Antonia Martinez, Melissa Navarro, Ralph Montes, Trevor Lyon, Ernie Avalos, Maria T. Lopez, Elvira Martinez, Maria G. Garduño, Yolanda Manzano, Adrian Salinas, Willie Cortez, Alfonso Morales, Elsa Ancreano, Ray Sanchez, Jose Ramirez, Maria Levya, Daisy Torres, Carlos Nunez, Brenda Roman, Luca Tatum, Ricon-Hernandez, Maria Guzman, Jaime Ochoa Jr, Mary Villarreal, Juan Gabriel Lopez, Juan Jose Lopez., David Santos, Armando Flores, Jim Schichtl, Ramon, Betty Rascon and Cathy Bauman, Mercy Limas, Sonya Hemley, John Middagh, Steve Caldwell, Angel Rivera, Ofelia, Lama, William Slayton, Dorothy Brock, Peter and Carrie Brock and family, Ember Boldt, Ramon & Doris Montes, Luis Gutierrez, Marsha Gannon, C. Alice Ihde, Bonnie Larson, Renee Reynolds., Rachel & Gus Pineda, Nava Gurrola, Lorenzo Ortega, David Gutierrez, Margaret Gallegos.

Starting in January, we will be asking you to please call once a month to update us on the prayer list. Please call the office if you would like to continue to keep these names on the list.

#### A Word From **Pope Francis**:

[The Lord] is our light: a light that does not dazzle but accompanies and bestows a unique joy. This light is for everyone, and it calls each one



of us...At the beginning of each day we can welcome this invitation: arise, shine and follow today—among the many shooting stars in the world—the bright star of Jesus!

Angelus on Epiphany Sunday, January 6, 2017

If you or a loved one are facing a difficult challenge in your life due to a serious illness or circumstance, the Yarn for Love Ministry would love to offer you a Prayer Shawl, to remind you that you are not alone. Please contact the office at 915-584-3461 for further information.

Isaiah 41:10 Do not fear: I am with you; do not be afraid: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Volunteers Needed: As you may know; the Society of St. Vincent de Paul operates solely from donations from you our fellow Parishioners and from un-paid volunteers in our church. We are in need of more volunteers to lighten the load of the few volunteers who have generously given their time for many years. We help those in need in the 79932-zip code with rent and/or utilities as well as with groceries. If interested, please get in touch with one of our officers who will gladly answer any of your questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration and thank you also for your generous donations!

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#### **Hospitality Ministers (Ushers) Needed**

The Hospitality ministry is looking for men and women who would like to join their ministry.

Ministers would be welcomed at every Mass. Please call the office for further information.

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#### Tithes and Offerings

Offerings collected for Sunday December 19 \$6232.00 Building Campaign posted once a month



Fr Frank would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Christmas Flowers. Your loved ones are in our thoughts and prayers.

We were able to put poinsettias around the altar and the Nativity thanks to your generosity.

### For Reflection

What is your attitude toward new ways of understanding your faith?
Pray that all people will be open to read the signs of the times

English Bible Study-The Gospel of Mark Thursday evenings at 6:30 Friday mornings at 10:00 am Meet in the Sacred Heart Room

**Knights are Back!!** On the 3rd Sunday each month the Knights of Columbus will be serving Menudo and Breakfast-\$8 each Empanadas will also be for sale.



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The Social Justice Ministry is very grateful to all the parishioners who donated new warm clothing for foster children. Thank you for helping to bring joy and warmth to so many children this Christmas. May the Christ Child smile upon you and your families and shower you with many blessings throughout the coming year!

#### St Matthew Parish Ministries **And Ministry Heads**

Adoration Altar Servers
Baptism Class
Bereavement
Bible Study—
Tues am English
Thur pm English
Thur pm English Fri am English

Choir Leaders-Michelle Kessler

Wade Daw Marisela Quesada

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#### first Juesday Women's Rosary Group

The Women's Rosary Group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Sacred Heart Room. All women who want to join us are welcome.

