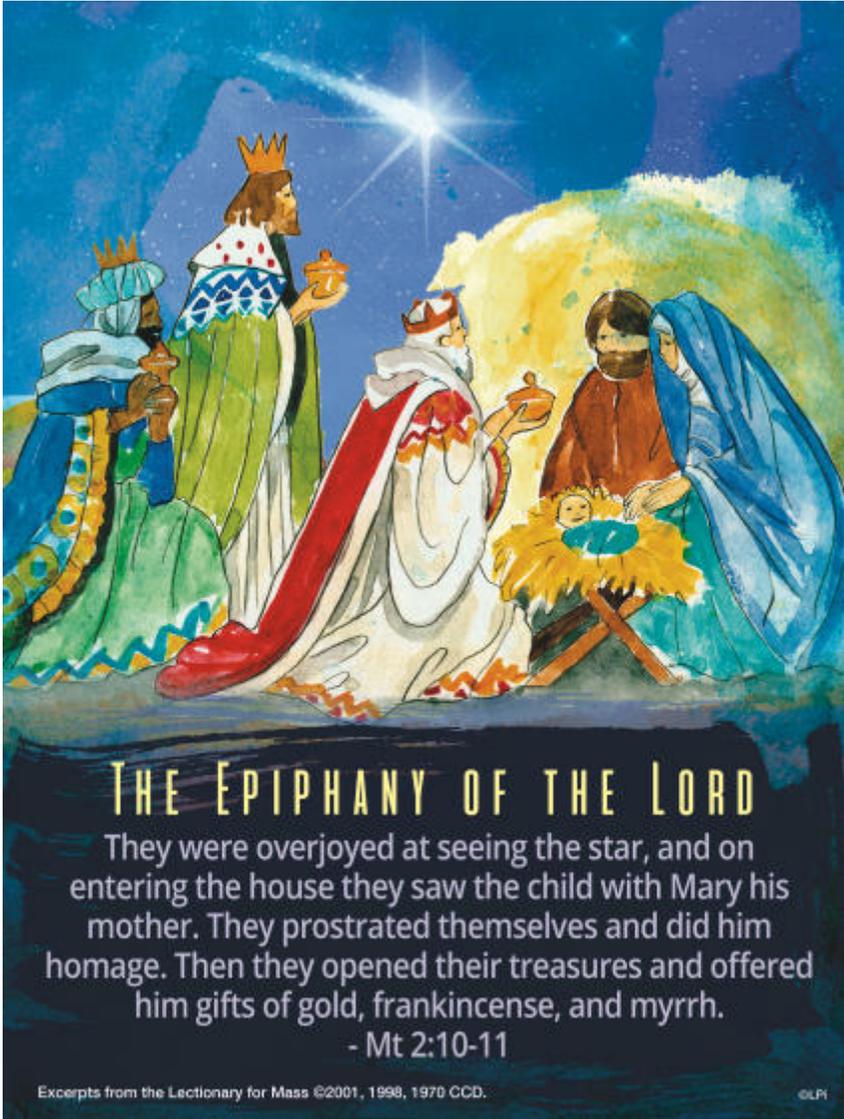




Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

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January 3rd, 2021
TODAY'S MASS
The Epiphany of the Lord

READINGS

Is 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS

All Deceased Members of OLMC

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mass at 9 AM
Word & Communion Service 11 AM

Daily Readings

Monday _____ 1/4	Thursday _____ 1/7
1 Jn 3:22—4:6	1 Jn 4:19—5:4
Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a	Ps 72:1-2, 14 & 15bc, 17
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25	Lk 4:14-22a
Tuesday _____ 1/5	Friday _____ 1/8
1 Jn 4:7-19	1 Jn 5:5-13
Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8	Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
Mk 6:34-44	Lk 4:14-22a
Wednesday _____ 1/6	Saturday _____ 1/9
1 Jn 4:11-18	1 Jn 5:14-21
Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13	Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 & 6a & 9b
Mk 6:45-52	Jn 3:22-30

Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish was established in 1910 for Italian Catholics living in NE Minneapolis and moved into the present church in 1938. The Archdiocesan Office for the Deaf joined the parish in 1986, and today our 170 families include Italians, Deaf and Hard - of - Hearing Catholics and their families, and neighbors from NE Minneapolis and beyond. You are most welcome to join our intimate, lively community.

Our Mission

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim year acceptable to the Lord.

Luke 4:18-19

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The schedule at OLMC of a 9oclock Mass and a Word and Communion Service at 11oclock will continue into the New Year.



The Obligation to attend Mass in our Archdiocese - both for Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation such as Christmas and New Years- continue to be suspended during the pandemic.

Your Health and Safety in our worship environment continue to be our top priority.

We wish you and your family a safe holiday season!



January 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord

“Where is that thing?” mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. “I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!” Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, “Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear.” The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

“And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.” The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God’s tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God’s salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God’s healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!

If you would like to donate money in remembrance of a loved one for **Christmas Flowers**, please fill out a slip found in the back of Church or mail your donation with the names you’d like remembered clearly printed on a piece of paper. Thank you!!

OLMC Holiday Schedule

Sunday, January 3rd: Feast of Epiphany
Mass at 9am
Word & Communion Service 11 AM

Sunday, January 10th: Baptism of the Lord
Mass at 9am
Word & Communion Service 11 AM

Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



We extend a warm welcome to all, and to those who have become a part of our parish family this year. We are delighted that you have chosen to join us today.

A Peak on the Lighter Side: Are there HMOs in Heaven?

A doctor, a nurse, and the top executive of an HMO died and were in line together at the pearly gates. St. Peter asked each one what good they had done in their lives.

The doctor said, "I have devoted my life to the sick and needy and have had a part in caring for and healing thousands of people."

St. Peter replied, "That's great. Go ahead into heaven."

The nurse chimed in, "I have supported the doctor and his patients my entire life as an adult, have taken time to explain things to patients, and have helped them lead healthy lives."

"Wonderful," says St. Peter. "Please proceed in with the doctor."

Then the executive said, "I was the president of a very large health maintenance organization. I was responsible for the healthcare of millions of people all over the country."

St. Peter says, "Oh, I see. Please go on in ... but you can only stay two nights!"

PRAY everyday

Will you pray for a priest, deacon or religious everyday?

Sunday	Fr. Paul Moudry
Monday	Fr. Bill Kenney
Tuesday	Fr. John Powers
Wednesday	Deacon Mike Powers
Thursday	Fr. John Tigatiga
Friday	Archbishop Bernard Hebda
Saturday	Fr. Tom Margevicius

Please pray for God's healing mercy for:

Fr. Bill Kenney, Dan Krolikowski, Anonymous Parishioner, Ursula Scolfield, Jack Graff, Roland Brown, Hattie Gansemer, Andy Uzougbo, Barb Nell, Michael Guadagnoli, & Mike Zappa

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