



WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF
Saints Thomas Aquinas & Columban

January 6, 2019

The Epiphany
OF THE LORD

*“Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel.” - Mt 2:6b*

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Welcome!

We are glad that you joined us today! If you are interested in joining our parish, please contact our office.

We look forward to connecting!

PARISH INFORMATION

St. Thomas Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Have any questions? Stop by and see us!

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 4:00 pm, 1/2 hour before every mass, and by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Call 283-3293 (or after hours: 283-0847) to make arrangements.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Friday from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm.

Eucharistic Services
Falls Care Center - Wednesdays 3:30 pm

Rosary
30 minutes before weekend Masses
at Littlefork Care Center: Mondays at 7 pm
at St. Columban: Tuesdays at 7 pm
at Rivers Edge Villa: Wednesdays at 1 pm
at Good Samaritan Care Center: Fridays at 6 pm

Becoming Catholic (R.C.I.A.)
Process begins in October,
please call at any time.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mass is regularly held at St. Thomas

INTENTIONS

M	8:30 am	+Red MacInnis
T	8:30 am	+Richard Garbe
W	8:30 am	+Red MacInnis
Th	8:30 am	+Leland Rivard
F	NO MASS	
S	5:00 pm	+Chad Bahr
Su	8:30 am Columban)	Parishioners
Su	10:30 am	+Red MacInnis

Epiphany . . .

January 6, 2019, is the Epiphany of Jesus. This commemorates the day God incarnate was revealed to us as Jesus Christ. The Epiphany is detailed in the Gospel according to Saint Matthew in chapter 2, verses one through twelve.

In these verses, we are told of the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. Magi from the east came looking for the "newborn king of the Jews" whose star they had seen. They came to do him homage.

King Herod was deeply troubled by the possibility of trouble that could take place with this new king. He dispatched the magi to Bethlehem to find Jesus and bring word back to Herod.

The magi departed and once again saw the star and found Jesus. "They prostrated themselves and did him homage." They then presented him their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They had been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, so they departed for their country another way.

In Saint Matthew's Gospel, it is easy to focus these twelve verses on the magi. The magi represented the non-Jewish peoples of the world. As a result, these events were considered the revelation of God incarnate to the Gentiles.

As was mentioned last week, the popular Christmas song, The Twelve Days of Christmas, The Epiphany marks the end of the twelve days of Christmas. Looking ahead we have a couple of big days remaining in January as we head into the Lenten and Easter celebrations.

January 13th marks the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. Watch for news and announcements surrounding this important day. Also, January 28th is the Feast Day of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Again, watch for some special events to take place on that day.

As we settle into the more normal routine of everyday busy-ness following the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, let us make time for God in our lives through prayer, confession, good works and kindness.

God bless!

Mark Your Calendar



EVENTS THIS WEEK

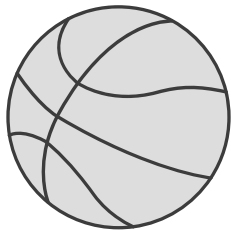
SUNDAY: 8:30 am Mass - St. Columban/10:30 am Mass - St. Thomas
MONDAY: 8:30 am Mass - St. Thomas/9:30 am Men's Prayer - Hospitality Room/3:15 pm to 4:30 pm Elementary Faith Formation
TUESDAY: 8:30 am Mass - St. Thomas/1:30 pm CDA - Hospitality Room
WEDNESDAY: 8:30 am Mass - St. Thomas/10:00 am to 1:00 pm Community Clothes Closet drop off/6:00 pm to 7:30 pm R.C.I.A.
THURSDAY: 8:30 am Mass - St. Thomas/10:00 am to 1:00 pm Community Clothes Closet shopping/7:00 pm Knights of Columbus - Maronic Hall
FRIDAY: No Mass
SATURDAY: 4 pm Confessions/5:00 pm Mass - St Thomas

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"Abortion is not a sign that women are free, but a sign that they are desperate."

Frederica Mathewes-Green

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The Knights of Columbus Council #1540 will be sponsoring the 2019 KC Free Throw Championship on Sunday, January 27th, at 7:00 p.m. at Rainy River Community College. All boys and girls who are age 9-14 on January 1, 2019, are eligible to compete. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. Competition begins at 7:00 p.m. Pizza and pop to follow.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of January 6, 2019

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 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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(ST. JOHN VIANNEY)**

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