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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

**Stewardship Reflection** Today is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. For centuries we as Catholics celebrated this Feast on January 6. However, many years ago (at least in the United States), the decision was made to celebrate the Epiphany on the Sunday, which falls between January 2 and January 8. "Epiphany" means "manifestation." On this day, Jesus Christ, the Messiah, is revealed as the light of all nations. Therefore, officially Christmas is not over. The Church recommends that on this day, those who display a crèche, a nativity or manger scene, should replace the shepherd and sheep with the Magi and their likely animals on which they traveled as well as their gifts. However, that is all secondary to the real meaning of this day. At Christmas, the Messiah Jesus was revealed to the shepherds, who were Jewish. But on this day, the Lord is revealed to all nations and the Gentiles (represented by the Magi). We are all familiar with the star the Magi followed, but we need to understand everything and what it means. This all represents the Light of Christ, a Light which today we honor and commemorate. We are called to be the Light of Christ right now to those around us and those with whom we come in contact. That way, we can be the disciples Christ wants us to be. The poet William Cullen Bryant captures the significance of the star the Magi followed very well when he wrote, "O Father, may that Holy Star, Grow every year more .bright And send its glorious beams afar, To fill the world with light."

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE** To appear in the bulletin, items must be received no later than 12:00 noon on the preceding Tuesday.

**First Friday Adoration** This Friday, January 7, is the first Friday of the month. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude with Benediction at 11:50 a.m. at St. Leo the Great. Please contact Deacon Bob at 786.0610 ext. 5 to sign up for a specific time.

**Thank You** We would like to thank everyone who remembered us over the holidays with cards, gifts, and prayers. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated – Fr. Zacharie and Deacon Bob.

**Christmas Volunteers** We would like to thank everyone who helped with the Christmas Masses; the choir, readers, servers, ushers, and decorators. Your help is greatly appreciated!

**Missals** There is still a limited supply of the *Living in Christ* Missals available for purchase from the ushers before or after Mass at a cost of \$5.

**Church Decorations** Volunteers are needed to assist in taking down the decorations on Wednesday, January 12, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Please join us if you are able to help.

**New Ministry Schedule** Our current ministry schedule runs through January 30. A new schedule will be prepared to run through May 29, 2022. If you are unable to assist at Mass during this time, please sign into *Ministry Scheduler Pro*, chose *Profile*, and under *Ministries and Scheduling* add you unavailable dates and times. Make sure to click on the *Submit* button. You will need to do this by noon on Monday, October 25, as that is when the new schedule will be generated.

**Rosary Leaders** Please contact Sandy in the Pastoral Office if you would like to volunteer as a Rosary Leader. We will begin scheduling this ministry in February.

**Adult Bible Studies** Forgiveness is powerful! We often struggle with how God can be so merciful to us as sinners. His love for us is almost unfathomable.

Many of us understand the need for confession, but find it difficult to actually go and confess. If this is you, then now is the time to understand God's forgiveness and accept it. As we await the Lenten Season, join us for **Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession**. A Bible Study that explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love in 5 sessions. Please join us on Tuesdays, January 25 - February 22 at 6:15 p.m. and register by January 10th, 2022. Following the Forgiven Bible Study, we will take a break before beginning **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist** in preparation for Easter. A Pew Survey from 2019 shows that 69% of Catholics no longer believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, but that the bread and wine are simply symbols. However, transubstantiation is a basic tenet of our Catholic faith. The Presence Bible study will explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist. Please register by February 10, 2022 for the this session which will be on Tuesdays, March 8 – 29 at 6:15 p.m. Each Bible Study will begin in the Annex following the Tuesday evening 5:30 pm Mass. The meetings will run approximately 90 minutes. The cost is \$10 each and payment is due at the first session. To register, contact Karla Schams at stteresacre@wsbcwi.org or at 608.786.0610 ext. 2.

**Sock Drive** Thank you to those who purchased socks for the Warming Center and Salvation Army. Your gesture of kindness means so much to those in need.

<b>Statement of Activity</b>	
<b>December 13-19, 2021</b>	
	<b>Total</b>
<b>4110 Adult Envelopes</b>	5,993.90
<b>4111 Offertory Collections, Youth</b>	4.00
<b>4112 Plate Collection</b>	273.50
<b>4125 Votive Candles</b>	40.00
<b>4212 Restricted - New Church Fund</b>	50.00
<b>4150 Sale of Missals</b>	5.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 6,366.40</b>
<b>DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL REPORT</b>	
2021-22	
\$ 32,080.00	Parish Target
\$ 29,990.00	Amount Received
93%	Percent of Target Met
\$ 2,090.00	Amount Needed
\$ -	Monies Returning to Parish
<b>MINISTRY SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>January 8 - 9: The Baptism of the Lord</b>	
<b>Ushers</b>	4:30 PM Darrel Bradley, Jane Kapanke, Brian Kapanke
	8:00 AM Trent Keivel, Dominic Keivel, Steve Keivel, Duane Rodenberg
	10:00 AM Eric Schmidt, Sam Schmidt, Amy Schmidt
<b>Servers</b>	4:30 PM Andrew Lorenz
	8:00 AM NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED
	10:00 AM Alexis Anderson, Brennon
<b>Cantors</b>	4:30 PM Michelle Lorenz
	8:00 AM Kelli Martin
	10:00 AM Brian Doermann
<b>Readers</b>	4:30 PM Mary Benchina
	8:00 AM Cheryl Lang
	10:00 AM Donna Elsen
<b>Musicians</b>	4:30 PM Renee Bradley
	8:00 AM Kelli Martin
	10:00 AM Kelli Martin
<b>Counters</b>	Joe Bolwahn, Dan Leis, Jim Murphy

<b>CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK</b>		
<b>Tues Jan 4</b>	6:00 PM	Knights of Columbus Meeting
<b>Wed Jan 5</b>	6:30 PM	Grades 8-10 CCD
<b>Fri Jan 7</b>	9:00 AM	First Friday Adoration
<b>READINGS &amp; MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK</b>		
<b>Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25</b>		
<b>Jan 3</b>	Private Mass	† Fred & Mary Schroeder by Mike Schroeder
<b>Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44</b>		
<b>Jan 4</b>	5:30 PM	† Ken Folz by The Sesvold Family
<b>Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52</b>		
<b>Nov 5</b>	8:30 AM	Alcoholics and Addicts by Jim Murphy
<b>Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a</b>		
<b>Jan 6</b>	8:30 AM	† Sharon Friet by Family
<b>Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16</b>		
<b>Jan 7</b>	8:30 AM	† Jayne A. Beaver by Mary & Jamie Cleaver
<b>Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-5, 6a, 9b/Jn 3:22-30</b>		
<b>Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-4, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22</b>		
<b>Jan 8</b>	4:30 PM	† James Kotek by The Kotek Family
<b>Jan 9</b>	8:00 AM	Pro Populo
	10:00 AM	† Rollie Huebsch by Roger & Donna Elsen

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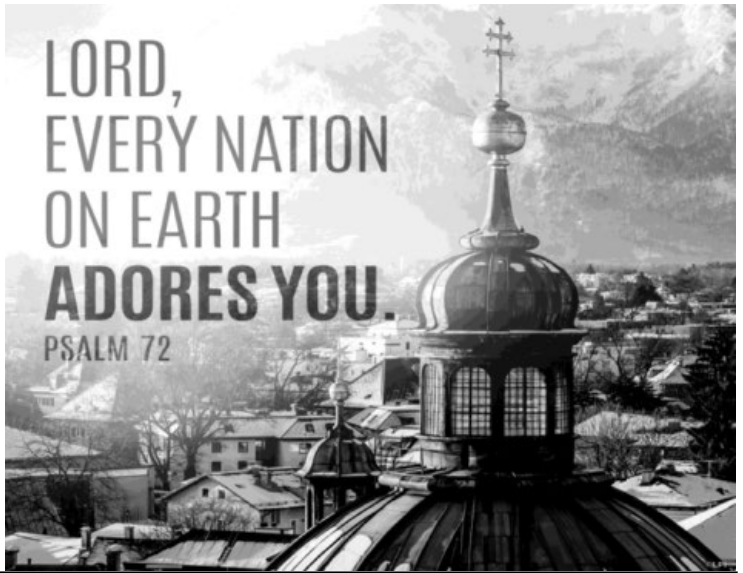
**Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C.** Mark your calendars for January 19-23. There has never been a more important time to join the March for Life in our nation's capitol, with the Dobbs case being heard by the Supreme Court and the possibility of Roe v. Wade being overturned. Deliberations will go on for many weeks, with a decision expected in June. Let us show the Supreme Court justices by our numbers and our passion that we stand strong for life. For the registration letter, tentative schedule, and details, visit [diolc.org/yya](http://diolc.org/yya) and click on the Pilgrimage for Life tab.

**Inspiration for the Week** Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©Lpi

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton | January 4**

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805. After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of

Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."



**The Epiphany of the Lord**

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Find the following words in the puzzle.  
 Words are hidden ↑ ↓ → ← and ↘ .

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|--------------|-----------|------------|----------|
| BETHLEHEM    | HOMAGE    | LORD       | RADIANCE |
| DREAM        | ISAIAH    | MAGI       | SCRIBES  |
| EAST         | ISRAEL    | MARY       | SHEBA    |
| EPIPHANY     | JERUSALEM | MYRRH      | SHEPHERD |
| FRANKINCENSE | JEWS      | NATIONS    | SHINES   |
| GLORY        | JUDEA     | PRaises    | STAR     |
| GOLD         | KING      | PRIESTS    | WARNED   |
| HEROD        | LIGHT     | PROSTRATED | WEALTH   |

# LITURGICAL LIFE

## RESPONDING *to the Call*

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

##### The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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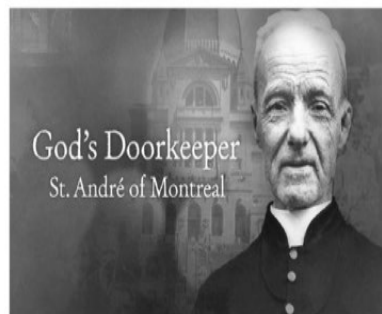
PICK OF THE WEEK

January 2, 2022

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#### GOD'S DOORKEEPER: ST. ANDRÉ OF MONTREAL

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



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### WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

#### Question:

What happens to a consecrated host if it accidentally falls to the ground?

#### Answer:

This is a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the ministers respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.).



# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)



## PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)



## SECOND READING

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)



## GOSPEL

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.



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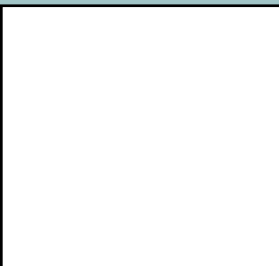
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