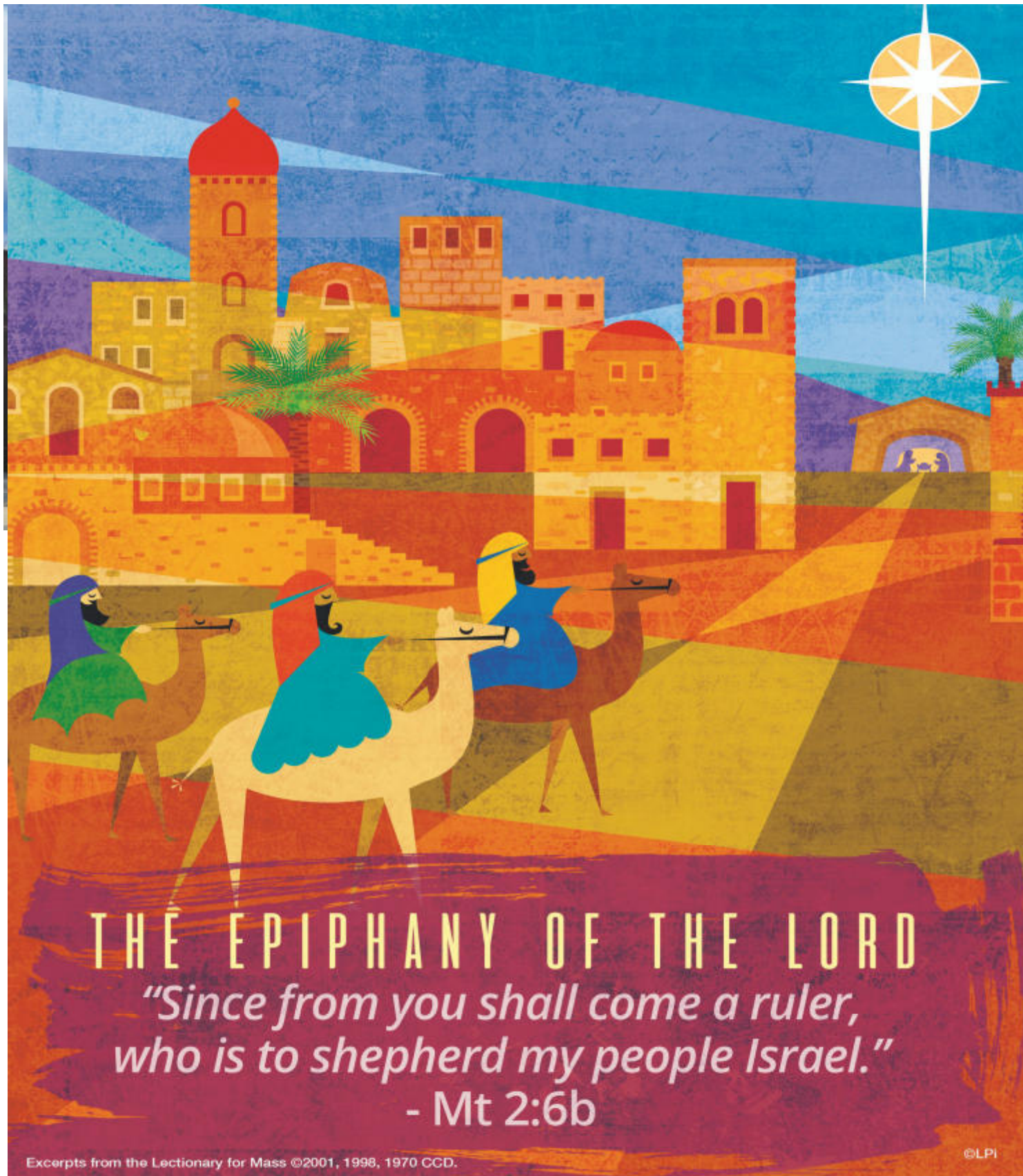


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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

*- Mt 2:6b*



Mass  
Intentions



<b>SATURDAY</b> 11:00AM 4:00PM	<b>JANUARY 1</b> Edward Champlin NO MASS
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30AM 8:30AM 11:00AM	<b>JANUARY 2</b> Irene Hurtubise by daughter For Those Served by SVDP  Larry Guartafierro by family
<b>MONDAY</b> 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	<b>JANUARY 3</b> NO MASS
<b>TUESDAY</b> 7:00 AM 8:30 AM	<b>JANUARY 4</b> NO MASS Presentation Sisters Prayer Association
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JANUARY 5</b> NO MASSES
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7:00AM 8:30AM	<b>JANUARY 6</b> NO MASS Cherri Bourgeois by family
<b>FRIDAY</b> 7:00AM 8:30AM	<b>JANUARY 7</b> No MASSES Adriano Viera Silva
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:00 PM	<b>JANUARY 8</b> George Gower 1st Annv. by family Joan Lapid-Mandi by The Lapid Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM 8:30AM 11:00AM	<b>JANUARY 9</b> Arthur & Doris Fournier Sr.  Mary Crain by family



The last weekend our parish community contributed \$10,107.42 for Ordinary, \$480.17 for Capital Improvement, \$99.00 for Christmas flowers, \$ 80.00 for Share in Care and \$1,287.00 for Christmas, Also \$2,500 for fuel.

Thank you for your generosity!

## My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Happy New Year! As we begin 2022, we all have to be asking ourselves what will THIS year bring! After finishing 2021, a year of great uncertainty and tumult, we wonder what lies ahead for us. Will this be the year the pandemic finally ends, and life returns to normal? What does normal mean anymore?

As we begin these first few days of a new year, we don't know what will happen this year. Perhaps we can take comfort from the scripture readings that are proclaimed this weekend as we celebrate Mary, the Mother of God and the Epiphany. On Saturday we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. In the gospel passage we see Mary gazing at her newborn child, the Son of God, and she ponders the events that have taken place. Imagine what has transpired for Mary over those last nine months! She had to make some sense of it all in order to continue in her role as wife and mother.

On Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. We hear of the magi, travelers from the east, who pay homage to the Christ Child. They must wonder who this child is and what will He mean to the world? Also we see that the magi take some risks in doing what they do. They place their very lives in danger as they defy the orders of Herod. The magi remind us that sometimes we must take risks to live out what we believe.

For both Mary and the magi, they needed to rely upon their faith in God to help them and guide them. God helped them all to make the right choices as they traveled the paths that God had asked them to take. May God guide us to help us navigate the challenges that lie ahead for us in the new year. And may the example of Mary and the magi inspire us as we reach for our hopes and dreams in 2022.

**Have a great week!**

**Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Fr. Bill**

# EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## Liturgical Roles

WEEK JANUARY 8 & JANUARY 9

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

K. Fraticelli J. Shannon  
P. Crowley D. Sutton

D. Bean S. Puma

### USHERS

R. Burns L. Burns  
D. Sutton R. Freiss

R. Ste. Marie S. Pepin

### LECTORS

4:00PM T. Marchand  
7:30 AM M. Fratantonio

9:30 AM  
11:00AM R. Keating



## THE LATEST FROM THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

1. This week, our Food Pantry will be open **MONDAY**. We invite parishioners who are in need of food to sign up for the pantry. To sign up for the Food Pantry call 978-786-7637 on next **MONDAY** between 10:00A.M. and 2:00 P.M. Come to the back of the rectory between 5:00 and 5:30 P.M. to pick up your food!
2. We are asking parishioners to donate this weekend **Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup and Relish**. Please drop off items in the bins at church.
3. We continue asking you to submit your prayer intentions to us. Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will pray for your intentions. Maybe a prayer request you submitted previously had been answered. Share your stories of prayers answered with us!  
Thank you from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

### Knights of Columbus News

The Knights of Columbus are seeking Catholic men who may be interested in joining the Knights of Columbus. Men who are looking to deepen their faith and make a difference in the community through acts of service are invited to join. Also, interested men can contact Dominic Zarella on his cell phone at 978-429-6894 (either call or text).



## Liturgical Roles

### New Schedules for Liturgical Ministers

A new schedule for lectors and Eucharistic Ministers has been created. The new schedules are available on our parish website. Also copies have been sent to ministers through Flocknote. Hard copies are available in the sacristy as well.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HERE NEXT WEEKEND



The Knights of Columbus will be with us at all Masses next weekend, the weekend of January 8th and 9th. The Knights are recruiting new members to our council. The Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic men who are eighteen or over. Please consider making a difference in our parish and community by joining the Knights of Columbus.



*JANUARY 2, 2021*

*Weekly Schedule*

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 2</b>
<b>Monday</b> 5:30PM	<b>JANUARY 3</b> FOOD PANTRY
<b>Tuesday</b> 6:00PM	<b>JANUARY 4</b> NO TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>JANUARY 5</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 6:00PM	<b>JANUARY 6</b> NO SCRIPTURE STUDY
7:00PM	NO CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00PM	BOY SCOUTS
<b>Friday</b> 9:00AM	<b>JANUARY 7</b> NO ADORATION
4:30PM	
<b>Saturday</b> 10:00-3PM	<b>JANUARY 8</b> IRISH STEP DANCERS
2:30PM	CONFESSIONS



As we have announced earlier, St. Leo's is celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2022. The first Anniversary Event will be the annual Open House in the rectory. On the weekend of January 8 & 9, the rectory will be open after all weekend Masses. Come to the rectory after Mass that weekend and enjoy refreshments and fellowship while looking at the Christmas decorations in the rectory. Please join us at our first 150th Anniversary Event the weekend of January 8th & 9th!

Once again thank you to everyone.





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