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Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam ~ For the Greater Glory of God



January 2, 2022 ~ Epiphany of the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary

4:00 - Vigil Mass for Sunday
Ellen Hardy - *Memorial*
Mary and Louis Itrato - *Memorial*
Mary and John Dyko - *Memorial*
Alexander and James Dyko - *Memorial*

Sunday, January 2

8:30 - Anna DiNush - *Memorial*
10:00 - Lena LaColla - *Memorial*
12:00 - Robert & Francis Dignan - *Memorial*
Philip Cullen, Sr. & Jr. - *Memorial*
John Fornea - *Memorial*
Daniel Leary - *Memorial*

Monday, January 3

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
9:00 - David Carlucci - *Month's Mind*

Tuesday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
9:00 - John J. Doherty - *Memorial*

Wednesday, January 5 St. John Neuman

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
9:00 - Eleanor M. Reilly - *6th Anniversary*

Thursday, January 6 Epiphany

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
9:00 - **NO MASS UNLESS ANNOUNED**
6:00 - Mass of the Epiphany - Latin

Friday, January 7

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
9:00 - Genevieve Nigorski - *Birthday Remembrance*

Saturday, January 8

7:00 - Latin Mass - *Intention of the Celebrant*
4:00 - Marge Tripoli - *1st Anniversary*
Tom Colbert - *Memorial*
Michael Peter DeAngelis, Jr. - *Memorial*
Marilyn Walker - *Birthday Remembrance*
Dolly DeAngelis - *Birthday Remembrance*
Pray for an end to abortion
Special Intention (*living*)

Sunday, January 9 Baptism of the Lord

8:30 - Robert Milewski - *Birthday Remembrance*
10:00 - Jenny Sincerella - *Memorial*
12:00 - **Latin Mass**
Loretta and Vincent Brown - *Memorial*
Edward Sullivan - *Memorial*
Donald and Wanda Wade - *Memorial*
Belyea & DeCousto Families (*deceased*)
Holy Souls in Purgatory



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church is lit to the Glory of God in loving birthday remembrance of **Jeanne M. Martell** and **Sebastiano Damico**.

A Sanctuary Candle is lit to the Glory of God in loving remembrance of **Msgr. John P McDonough**.

Prayers are requested for the soul of **Josephine Batakis** who died and was buried from St. Adelaide's parish. We thank God for the gift of her life and pray she is now at peace.



Whenever we look to Mary, we come to believe once again in the revolutionary nature of love and tenderness. In her we see that humility and tenderness are not virtues of the weak but of the strong who need not treat others poorly in order to feel important themselves. Contemplating Mary, we realize that she who praised God for "bringing down the mighty from their thrones and sending the rich away empty" (Lk 1:52-53) is also the one who brings a homely warmth to our pursuit of justice.

Pope Francis -Evangelii Gaudium

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

Adoration continues in the Parish Center window 7am to 5pm.

Adoration in Church Chapel is held from 1-5pm.



Year of the EUCHARIST

In this extended Year of the Eucharist, Cardinal Seán encourages the faithful to turn their gaze toward Jesus as He is truly present in the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith, and His great gift to us, the gift of His very life. Please join us in prayer for this renewed effort and for the ongoing success of the Year of the Eucharist in the Archdiocese of Boston.
Extended to June of 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord - Gospel Meditation
From the Gospel of Matthew 2:1-12



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.



Many would have us think that the season of Christmas ends December 26th!

The Church celebrates the Christmas season from Christmas Eve until the Feast of Baptism of the Lord in the beginning of January.

An important part of the celebration of this season is the **Feast of the Epiphany**, the day we recall the visit of the Wise Men, Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar, bearing their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.



As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

CANTICLE OF MARY

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1:46-55

JOINING IN THE JOY OF THE MAGI

Christ is born, give glory; Christ is from the heavens, go to meet him; Christ is on earth, be lifted up. Sing to the Lord, all the earth, and, to say both together, Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice, for the heavenly one is now earthly. Christ is in the flesh, exult with trembling and joy; trembling because of sin, joy because of hope. Christ comes from a Virgin. Who would not worship the one from the beginning? Who would not glorify the Last?

Again the darkness is dissolved, again the light is established. Let the people sitting in the darkness of ignorance see a great light of knowledge. The old things have passed; behold, all things have become new....

All nations, clap your hands; for to us a child is born, and to us a son is given, the power is on his shoulder, for he is lifted up along with the cross. Let John proclaim, prepare the way of the Lord. I myself will proclaim the power of this day. The fleshless one takes flesh, the invisible one is seen, the impalpable one is touched, the timeless one makes a beginning, the Son of God becomes Son of Man, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and today and for the ages.

This is our festival, this is the feast we celebrate today, in which God comes to live with human beings, that we may journey toward God, or return—for to speak thus is more exact—that laying aside the old human being we may be clothed with the new, and that as in Adam we have died so we may live in Christ, born with Christ and crucified with him, buried with him and rising with him. For it is necessary for me to undergo the good turn around.

Now welcome for me his conception and leap for joy, if not indeed like John in the womb, then like David when the ark came to rest. Be awed at the census record through which you have been recorded in heaven, and revere the birth through which you have been released from the bonds of birth, and honor little Bethlehem, which has brought you back to paradise, and bow before the manger through which you have been fed by the Word. Run after the star, and bring gifts with the Magi, gold and frankincense and myrrh, as to a king and a God and one dead for your sake. With the shepherds give glory, with the angels sing hymns, with the archangels dance. Let there be a common celebration of the heavenly and earthly powers. For I am persuaded that they rejoice and celebrate with us today.

Saint Gregory Nazianzen († 390) was a monk, bishop, and author of letters, prayers, and poems. He is a Doctor of the Church.

From the Pandemic Response Team:
Archdiocese of Boston

In the light of spiking numbers of new COVID cases and the likely increase in those numbers in the upcoming holiday season, Cardinal Seán is mandating that throughout the archdiocese all people attending public Masses, including weddings and funerals, wear masks.

This mandate takes effect the weekend of December 18/19, 2021 and expires on January 17, 2022.

Mass celebrants, deacons, readers, servers, choir members, and instrumentalists, should all wear masks except when they are speaking.

Children under the age of five are not required to wear masks. Children under the age of two should not wear masks.

The Cenacle



Our **Marian Prayer** group meets in the Church every other Thursday, 6pm.

St. Adelaide Church 712 Lowell St. Peabody
Each meeting will include the Rosary, Meditation and Consecration to Mary. **All are Welcome!**

Collaborative Parish Council

The following parishioners will be joining with Saint Ann's members to form the new Collaborative Parish Council:

Andrew Hamilton, Suzanne Manidakos, Susana Mello, Greg Prentis, Candy McCallum and Joe Sullivan

Please keep this council in your prayers as they work toward the Archdiocese's Pastoral Plan, Disciples in Mission.



COVER ART

The original watercolor on the cover of this week's bulletin is by our parishioner Richard Tardiff.

THE EPIPHANY AND THE MAGI



The Epiphany is indeed a great Feast, and the joy caused us by the Birth of our Jesus must be renewed on it, for as though it were a second Christmas Day, it shows us our Incarnate God in a new light. It leaves us all the sweetness of the dear Babe of Bethlehem, who hath appeared to us already in love; but to this it adds its own grand *manifestation* of the divinity of our Jesus. At Christmas it was a few Shepherds that were invited by the Angels to go and recognize THE WORD MADE FLESH; but now, at the Epiphany, the voice of God himself calls the whole world to adore this Jesus, and hear him.



The mystery of the Epiphany brings upon us three magnificent rays of the Sun of Justice, our Savior. In the calendar of pagan Rome, this Sixth day of January was devoted to the celebration of a triple triumph of Augustus, the founder of the Roman Empire: but when Jesus, our *Prince of peace*, whose empire knows no limits, had secured victory to his Church by the blood of the Martyrs, then did this his Church decree that a triple triumph of the *Immortal King* should be substituted, in the Christian Calendar, for those other three triumphs which had been won by the adopted son of Caesar.

The Sixth of January, therefore, restored the celebration of our Lord's Birth to the Twenty-Fifth of December; but in return, there were united in the one same *Epiphany* three manifestations of Jesus' glory: the mystery of the Magi coming from the East, under the guidance of a star, and adoring the Infant of Bethlehem as the divine King; the mystery of the Baptism of Christ, who, whilst standing in the waters of the Jordan, was proclaimed by the Eternal Father as Son of God; and thirdly, the mystery of the divine power of this same Jesus, when he changed the water into wine at the marriage feast of Cana. and which is now to form thine inheritance. Henceforth there is to be no distinction of Jew and Greek, offer thee our gifts, and see thee graciously accept them, O merciful Emmanuel!



There is an Armenian tradition identifying the "Magi of Bethlehem" as **Balthasar** of Arabia, **Melchior** of Persia, and **Gaspar** of India.

Now after **Jesus** was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, **wise men** from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His **star** in the East [or at its rising] and have come to worship Him.

According to legend, they're *the three Persian wise men*, or kings, who traveled by camel across the desert sands to Bethlehem, in pursuit of a star. As the Christmas season nears, we gather with family and friends, singing of the Kings and their visit to the Christ Child, bearing gifts.

SAINT ADELAIDE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To proclaim the Good News of Salvation through Jesus Christ by catechesis, evangelization and energetic participation in the liturgical and sacramental life of the church; and then missioned to bring Christ to the world and the world to Christ.



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS:

Saturday: 4:00

Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, . 12:00 P.M. (Latin)

WEEKDAYS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.

Thursday at 9:00 a.m. (*when announced*)

First Saturday at 9:00 a.m. (Latin)

NOVENAS: *Following 9:00 a.m. Mass*

Monday - Miraculous Medal

Tuesday - Infant of Prague

Wednesday - St. Rita of Cascia

Thursday - St. Ann & St. Joachim

Friday - St. Philomena

ROSARY: Monday & Friday for the Unborn

Monday thru Friday - 8:25 a.m. in Church

BAPTISM:

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Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

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you may remain in your vehicle for confession.

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