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January 2, 2022



# 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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### Weekend Mass Schedule

*St. Denis:* Saturday, 4:30 PM • Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM

*St. Margaret Mary:* Saturday, 4:30 PM • Sunday, 10 AM and 5 PM (outside, weather permitting)

### Daily Mass Schedule

*St. Denis:* Monday – Wednesday at 9 AM

*St. Margaret Mary:* Monday – Friday at 7:30 AM

### Confessions

*St. Denis:* Saturdays at 3:45–4:15 PM

*St. Margaret Mary:* Wednesdays at 7–8 PM

## January 2 ~ The Epiphany of the Lord

The readings today stress the importance of light – *Christ's light*. Isaiah states, “. . . upon you the Lord shines.” The Magi followed the light of a star that led them to Christ, the Lord, an encounter that changed their lives. Do you believe that the Lord looks upon you and shines forth from you? Has each encounter you have had with Christ brought about a change in you, in your way of living? When you humbly and honestly follow Christ and live in his light, “nations shall walk by your light.” People will notice something different about you. So on this Epiphany - let your Christ Light shrine!



### Synod on Synodality

Over the coming months, Catholics from around the world will be participating in the Synod on Synodality. What does that mean? Here in Boston it means that we will be gathering, as parishes and as a diocese to pray together and to invite the Holy Spirit to help us to listen deeply to one another, and we will talk together about how best to do that. So, for instance, a parish council may get together and ask “How can we as a parish council do a better job of letting the voices of all our parishioners be heard, even those who are not a part of an inner circle or who might be marginalized for whatever reason?” The archdiocese and the church around the world will be engaging in the same sort of conversation. We pray that the Lord will open our hearts to Him and to all of our people.

### St. Margaret Mary & St. Denis Adult Faith Formation

#### Westwood Catholic Moms Prayer Group

Welcome all moms (and little ones, too) This group will regularly meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month (9:30-11AM) for prayer, adoration and sharing in the lower church of St. Margaret Mary. (Please enter on side nearest the parish offices or if you need the elevator via High Street doors.) We will get to know one another as prayerful Catholic women and moms doing our best to raise our young ones in our faith. Come join us and bring a friend... and your wee one! Contact Karlene Duffy for more information.

#### The Westwood Catholic Men's Prayer Group

Alternating Mondays, 6:30 PM in the parish office conference room at St. Margaret Mary. See Deacon Nate for more information.

#### Rosary

Every Saturday morning at 9 AM outside near the statue of Blessed Mother Mary and streamed on the St. Margaret Mary Facebook page. If weather is inclement, the Rosary is prayed inside and streamed on the St. Margaret Mary website.

The Rosary is also prayed every Tuesday night at 8:10 PM in the main church at St. Margaret Mary. Rosary beads and cheat sheets are provided.

#### Norfolk County Catholic Young Adults

The Norfolk County Catholic Young Adults' mission is to create regular opportunities for young adults to experience the love, grace, and mercy of Jesus Christ through various Social, Spiritual, Service, and Study events and initiatives. To learn more visit, <https://www.norfolkcountycatholics.com>.



### St. Margaret Mary Giving Tree

Thank you, the generosity for the St. Margaret Mary's Giving Tree was amazing! We delivered over 20 huge bags filled with shirts, pants, coats and shoes/ boots for the children of Mission School. There were also many gift cards and toys; we filled 2 SUV's, stuffed to the brim. Thank you for your generosity! Some of the children came out to help us carry in all the bags, they were smiling and happy. So wonderful to make children happy. We hope you had a Merry Christmas!

- The Social Justice Committee

## **St. Denis Open House**

Please join us after all the Masses on the weekend of January 8th and 9th for an open house at St. Denis. Come and see the renovations to the rectory as well enjoy some coffee and treats.

### ***From the Desk of Karlene Duffy***

#### ***The Epiphany and 3 Kings***

*"We three kings of Orient are  
Bearing gifts we travel afar...  
Following yonder star  
We three kings, we three kings  
Born a king on Bethlehem's plain...  
King forever, ceasing never  
Over us all to reign  
Oh, star of wonder, star of night  
Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading, still proceeding  
Guide us to thy perfect light..."*

The feast of manifestation, or Epiphany, is traditionally celebrated the 12th day after Christmas, January 6th. In the dioceses of the United States this feast has been moved to the Sunday between January 2 and January 8.

"Epiphany" means "manifestation" and it comes from Greek roots that mean "to show, to display" (phainein) and "on, to" (epi-). Thus, an epiphany is a time when something is shown, displayed, or manifested to an audience.

The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Son of God and Savior of the world. The feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men from the East, together with His baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee (His first public miracle).

The magi were representatives of neighboring pagan religions who welcomed the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. These Wise Men, in coming to Jerusalem to pay homage to the King of the Jews showed that they sought, in Israel, the messianic light of the star of David, the one who would be King of the Nations. Summarily: all can discover Jesus and worship Him as God and Savior.

Can you see Christ in others? Do others see Christ in you through your thoughts, words and actions? Are you so full of joy that comes knowing, loving and serving God that others want to draw near to Him as well? Perhaps this can become your new years goal.

## **MLK Jr. Trip**

For ten of the past eleven years, the youth of Saint Margaret Mary Parish have celebrated the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday by collecting socks, hats, gloves, scarves, hand and feet warmers, men's toiletries, and gift cards for the homeless of Boston. We will begin to do so next weekend in the church. Then, on Saturday of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday weekend, a small group of us will take these collected items and carry them into the city. We will first stop at St. Anthony Shrine, Arch Street, then walk around Boston Common and downtown crossing handing out these items and, also, bring a portion into the St. Francis House. Of course, we seem to always pick the coldest day, and rightly so; for we momentarily get to experience what our brothers and sisters living in the streets experience everyday. We shiver (and perhaps complain) until we see the face of Christ in the homeless man, woman or child who gratefully accept your gifts of love. In advance, thank you for your donations and helping our youth live the Gospel of Our Lord and Savior.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Mass Links

St. Margaret Mary's Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 10 AM, as well as the daily Masses are livestreamed on the website at [www.saintmmparish.org/livestreaming](http://www.saintmmparish.org/livestreaming). The 5 PM outdoor Mass on Sundays is livestreamed on [www.facebook.com/saintmmparish.org](http://www.facebook.com/saintmmparish.org).

To watch the Sunday, 10:30 AM Mass at St. Denis please use this link:

<https://vimeo.com/event/693318/5fd168d1dc>

## 5 PM Mass at St. Margaret Mary

The Sunday 5 PM Mass at St. Margaret Mary will be inside for the winter.

## In Loving Memory

Please pray for all the deceased of our parishes, including Esther Doyle and James Doherty who were recently born into eternal life, as well as all of our sick and those who have asked for our prayers.

## Thank you!

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to decorate the churches both inside and outside for Christmas and for those who helped to set up for the outdoor Christmas Eve Mass. A special thank you to our choir, musicians, eucharistic ministers, greeters and lectors.





**St. Denis**

Sat, Jan. 1	4:30 PM	Lauren Hurley (Month's Mind)
Sun, Jan. 2	8 AM	Pro Populo
Sun, Jan. 2	10:30 AM	
Mon, Jan. 3	9 AM	Shirley Burton
Tue, Jan. 4	9 AM	Arthur Viens
Wed, Jan. 5	9 AM	

**St. Margaret Mary**

Sat, Jan. 1	4:30 PM	Pro Populo
Sun, Jan. 2	10 AM	Thomas Smith
Sun, Jan. 2	5 PM	
Mon, Jan. 3	7:30 AM	Robert Ladino
Tue, Jan. 4	7:30 AM	Ann O'Flaherty
Wed, Jan. 5	7:30 AM	Gladys & Robert Howe
Thu, Jan. 6	7:30 AM	John P. Reilly
Fri, Jan. 7	7:30 AM	Rev. William Wolkevitch

**St. Denis Lector Schedule**

Sat, Jan 8	4:30 PM	Bill Kearns
Sat, Jan. 9	8:00 AM	Rob Scafati
Sat, Jan 9	10:30 AM	Dave Sullivan

**Sacramental Giving**

Collections: December 19, 2021

SAINT DENIS	
Weekly Collection.....	\$4,958
SAINT MARGARET MARY	
Weekly Collection.....	\$6,690

**Events**

**Tuesday** — Rosary at 8:10 PM at St. Margaret Mary after religious education classes.

**Wednesday** — Adoration & Reconciliation from 3-8 PM at St. Margaret Mary. The Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly exposed on our altar. There will also be the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 7-8 PM.

**Friday** — Adoration from Noon-3:00 PM. Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM at St. Margaret Mary.

**Saturday** — Rosary at 9 AM outside by the statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary at St. Margaret Mary. If weather does not permit, we will pray inside the church.



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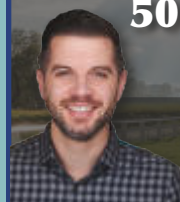
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