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The Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 2, 2022

Gathering Hymn: We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star. *Refrain*
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain, gold we bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain*
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Gloria: Refrain: *Gloria in excelsis Deo*

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm: "Ev'ry nation on earth will adore you, Lord."

Second Reading:**Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6**

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. 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.

Gospel:**Matthew 2:1-12**

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. 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.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things
visible and invisible

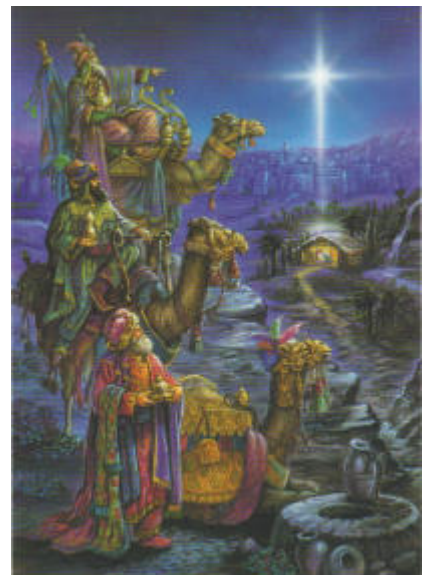
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again
on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Preparation of the Gifts:

What Child Is This

What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the song of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh,
Come peasant, king to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the song of Mary.

Communion Hymns:

The First Noel

The first Noel, the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

This star drew night to the northwest,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest;
And there it did both stop and stay,
Right over the place where Jesus lay.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.



Closing Song:

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And Heaven and nature sing, and Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let us, our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

*Thank you for joining us in worship today! Please see the Bulletin section for events and service opportunities, or go to our website: stjulia.org
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

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MASS TIMES

All Masses are currently taking place in St. Julia Church, Weston

Sunday Masses:

4:00 pm (Saturday Vigil—except on Dec. 25)
8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 8:00 am, Monday—Thursday

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS UPDATE!

Effective December 18th, Cardinal Sean has mandated that everyone from age 5+ is to wear a mask while at attending a public Mass, Wedding, Funeral, etc. St. Julia Church continues to provide designated Social Distancing pews at each Mass.

OFFICE HOURS 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

RECONCILIATION

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday:
3:00-3:45 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By request after the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass; or contact Parish Office.

EUCCHARIST AND VISITS TO THE SICK

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, homebound or hospitalized.

ROSARY ON ZOOM

After each daily Mass; ask for link at cmcgarry@stjulia.org.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

BULLETIN NOTICES should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday morning: parish@stjulia.org

THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do.

We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

~ Parish Life ~

Readings for the Baptism of the Lord:

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 or
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalm: 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 or
104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38 or
Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

“You are my beloved Son...”

Mass Intentions for this week:

Sun., 1/2—8am Billy Greaves
Sun., 1/2—9:30am Kathleen Lane
Sun., 1/2— 11:30am Theresa & Daniel
Donahue & Donahue Family
Sun. 1/2—5pm Ruth & Walter Henne-
berry & Family
Wed., 1/5—8am Bob Duffy Sr.

**We wish you a very Happy and
Healthy New Year!**

**God Bless!
Fr. Mark and Staff**

Supporting Our Parish's Mission

Weekend of 12/19 and 12/20 = \$7,057.50

Weekend of 12/25 and 12/26 = Due to early
bulletin transmission dates, this past week-
end will be reported at a later date.



Eucharist Adoration
every Friday
in St. Julia Church from
12 noon—1pm.



**Faith Formation Classes will resume
Sunday, January 9th and
Monday, January 10th.**

We will see you then!



Catholic Charities has requested St Julia's assistance
with Afghan refugees settling in the Boston area. If inter-
ested in assisting with this resettlement, please email
Colm at cmcgarry@stjulia.org



As an Adult, are you seeking to receive any of the Sacraments of Initiation?

Are you thinking of joining the Church? Do you need to receive the Sacrament of Confirma-
tion or 1st Communion? We warmly welcome you, and we have a process designed for
you! Contact Deacon Rafe to find out more: deaconrafe@gmail.com.



~ Parish Life~

Our Parish Christmas Sing-along and Concert was enjoyed by many—thanks to the choir leading all in beloved Christmas carols, as well as talented musicians sharing their gifts of song and instrumentals. Below are some photos of the event. A huge “Thank You to Music Director Brian Moll for giving us this beautiful Christmas gift!



Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Evans—updated with prices!



When: October 16-23, 2022 (with an option for an added 3 day trip to Medjugorje)

Where: Rome, Florence and Assisi, Italy

Price: \$3,495 for Italy and \$4,320 including Medjugorje. Contact: cmcgarry@stjulia.org



Over the next several years, the Church around the world will be participating in a process called the **Synod on Synodality**. The Holy Father will be meeting with Bishops from across the globe in 2023 to discuss ways of improving the process by which the church on all levels is open to hearing the voices of people from all walks of life. Here in Boston it means that we will be gathering, as parishes 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. 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.

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