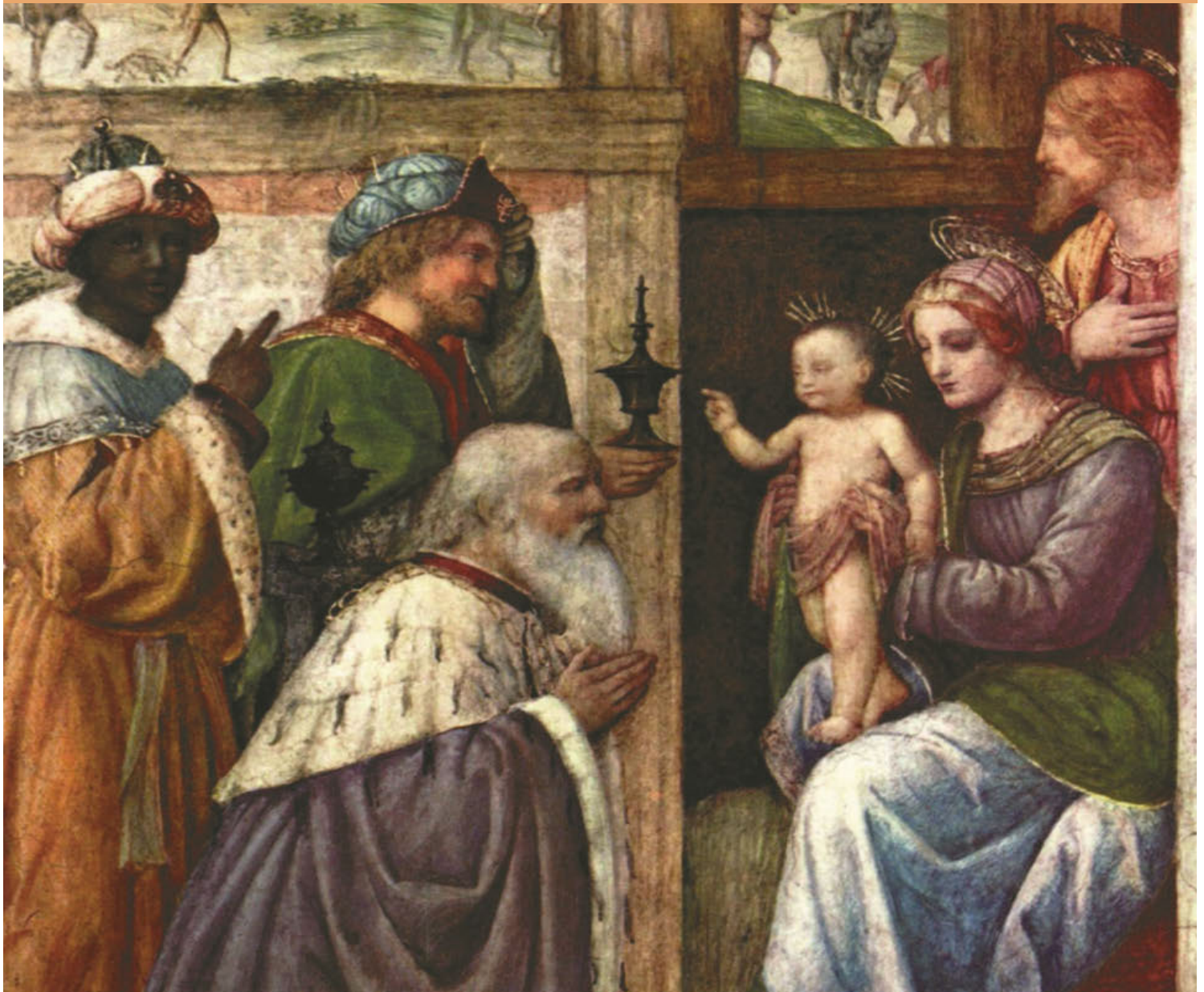


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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 2ND, 2022



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

Matthew 2:6b

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## MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)

4:00 PM

### SUNDAY

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM

### WEEKDAY

MON - FRI 12:10 PM

SATURDAY 9:00 AM

## CONFESSION

SATURDAY 2:00 PM  
WEDNESDAY 11:30 AM

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 1PM  
THROUGH  
THURSDAY 5PM

## OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
FRIDAY 8:00 AM - 12 NOON

## ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

MONDAY-THURSDAY 10 AM-1PM  
SUNDAY 8:00AM-12:15 PM

	<b>OBSERVANCES</b>	<b>READINGS</b>	<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>	<b>CHURCH EVENTS</b>
<b>Sunday January 2nd</b>	The Epiphany of the Lord	Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12	<b>7:00 AM</b> +Marybeth Gerkin <b>9:00 AM</b> For the 9:00 AM choir <b>11:00 AM</b> +Carmen Chagolla <b>6:00 PM</b> +Susan McGovern	<b>Gift Shop Closed</b> <b>No Religious Ed Classes</b>
<b>Monday January 3rd</b>		1 John 3:22-4:6 Psalm 2:7bc-8, 10-12a Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25	<b>12:10 PM</b> Edward Keberlein	<b>Office Closed</b> <b>Gift Shop Closed</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> Eucharistic Adoration Begins <b>1:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b> Food Pantry Open
<b>Tuesday January 4th</b>	Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious	1 John 4:7-10 Psalm 72: 1-2, 3-4, 7-8 Mark 6:34-44	<b>12:10 PM</b> +Henry Cahoj	<b>10:00 AM-1:00 PM</b> Gift Shop Open
<b>Wednesday January 5th</b>	Saint John Neumann, bishop	1 John 4:11-18 Psalm 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13 Mark 6: 45-52	<b>12:10 PM</b> Tim O'Connell	<b>10:00 AM-1:00 PM</b> Gift Shop Open <b>11:15 AM</b> Confession <b>6:30-8:00 PM</b> Adult Faith Formation <b>No Youth Group</b>
<b>Thursday January 6th</b>	Saint Andre Bessette, religious	1 John 4:19-5:4 Psalm 72: 1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 Luke 4:14-22	<b>12:10 PM</b> Jose Gonzales	<b>10:00 AM-12:00 PM</b> Gift Shop Open <b>1:00 PM - 3:00 PM</b> Food Pantry Open
<b>Friday January 7th</b>		1 John 5: 5-13 Psalm 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Luke 5: 12-16	<b>12:10 PM</b> +Timothy Martinez	
<b>Saturday January 8th</b>		1 John 5: 14-21 Psalm 149: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b John 3: 22-30	<b>9:00 AM</b> +Rita Brady Kiefer <b>6:00 PM</b> Frances Cordova	<b>9:30 AM-11:30 AM</b> Women Growing in Christ <b>2:00 PM</b> Confession
<b>Sunday January 9th</b>	The Baptism of the Lord	Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7 Psalm 29: 1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 Acts 10: 34-38		<b>Luke 3:15-16, 21-22</b>

## KEEP YOUR INFORMATION UP TO DATE

We will be sending out year end statements soon;  
help us make sure you get yours!

If you changed your **phone number, email** or  
**address**, remember to update your information with  
the parish office. 970-352-1060

### Women Growing in Christ

Our next gathering is Saturday, January 8th  
at 9:45 am in the church basement.

We will be discussing the Christian meaning of death and  
the resurrection of the body.

Read Chapters 1-3 of *Hope to Die* by Scott Hahn so you  
can engage in a great discussion!

Questions? Contact Susan LaBonde 970-353-3342

## YOUTH GROUP

Next Youth Group on January 12th

## MOUNTAIN MADNESS IN HIS FOOTSTEPS



Matthew 16:24

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever  
wants to be my disciple must deny themselves  
and take up their cross and follow me."

February 18-20th, 2022  
At YMCA of the Rockies

For 6th-8th graders

## Angelic Accents Gift Shop

MONDAY - THURSDAY  
10:00 AM-1:00 PM  
SUNDAY 8:00 AM-12:15 PM

January Sale  
20% off all Madonnas

## PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Jazmine and Daniel Bocanegra, +Mary Ellen Budd,  
+Mira Dean, Joe Duenas, Randy G, +Merle Gaspers,  
James Gavin, Merna Gunnells, Jean Hawkins, Angela  
Herrera, NJ King, Kelly Little, Helen Lopez, +Peggy  
Martin, Andrew Miller, Sirous Moreno, Shacaira  
Munoz and baby, Mike Neighbors, Mary Neurerburg,  
Penelope Robinson, Gil Romero, Anthony Salazar, Pat  
Schultz, Lisa Scott, +Stan Small, Pat Smith, Ray  
Sobieski, Sonny Unrein, Juanita Vigil-Guy, Jeremiah  
Villnueva, Jimmy Lee Villnueva, Teresa Villnueva,  
Madeline Zuhlke

## ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

*We are grateful for your generosity  
through the year of 2021.  
Thank you for being the messengers of Christ's  
hope and love to those most in need.*

## ST. PETER'S SENIORS

Our next meeting is:  
Wednesday January 19th at 1:00 pm  
Call Cathie for more information 970-412-8621

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We will sing at the  
11:00 am Mass on January 23rd  
Practice will be January 18th 6:00-7:00 pm  
For more information contact Tomoko  
Tomoko.creed@gmail.com



Our meetings are Sundays  
at 10:00AM in the School

**Our next meeting is Sunday, January 16th**

**Nick S., a real life firefighter,  
will teach us about fire safety.**

Our full schedule is available at  
[stpetergreeley.org/ministries/ahg](http://stpetergreeley.org/ministries/ahg)



## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### The Lessons of the Magi

Today's Gospel reading reveals the story of the magi who come from the east to pay homage to Jesus, the newborn king. The story of the magi teaches Christian stewards three Christmas truths: God, in the person of Jesus Christ, is present and active in the world, and good stewards strive daily to follow his star. Second, each of us, no matter our circumstances or station in life, has a gift to bring to the Lord. And finally, our life's journey always leads to Christ, even when at times we do not know where the road is taking us.

## Register Now for YOUTH AND FAMILY SUMMER CAMPS At Annunciation Heights!

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## Worldwide Marriage Encounter 2022 Weekends

**Virtual**  
February 18-20  
April 2-3

April 22-24 in Dillon, CO  
June 10-12 in Littleton  
September 16-18 in Durango  
November 4-6 in Dillon

SPACE IS LIMITED, SO RESERVE YOUR WEEKEND EARLY.

For questions contact  
Brenda and Gary Granger 720-213-8833  
Visit [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) for more info and to register



## Celebrate Life Rally and March 2022

Saturday January 15th  
At the Colorado State Capitol

Rally at 1:00 PM  
March at 2:00 PM

[respectlifedenver.org](http://respectlifedenver.org)

**Emcee Dan Caplis**  
Pro-life advocate, radio host, and attorney

Archbishop Aquila will be celebrating Mass before the rally at 11:30 AM at the Cathedral.

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## Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

At the beginning of the new calendar year, the Church honors Mary as the Holy Mother of God. Among her special privileges, Divine Motherhood must be mentioned first. The Mother of the Lord takes the highest and closest place after Christ precisely because of her motherhood. The truth about it was proclaimed a dogma at the Council of Ephesus in 431 AD. It was defined that it's not only fitting, but necessary to call Mary the Mother of God, *Theotokos*. It was also specified that Mary did not give Jesus his Divine nature, which He already had from the Father. She gave Christ the Lord his human nature – a human body. But because she gave it to the Divine Person of the Lord Jesus, she is therefore the Mother of the Son of God – according to the flesh and in time, just like Jesus is the Son of God – according to the nature of God and eternally.

Holy Mother of God made possible the incarnation of the Word of God, that is Jesus. No one, like Mary, knows the depth of the mystery of God made man. Everything in her life was shaped by the presence of the Word Incarnate. Through her consent: *let it be done to me*, she realized God's plan and through the Holy Spirit became the true Mother of the Son of God, but also our mother. Her Son, assuming human body, humbled himself to share in our humanity. In giving birth to Jesus, who is the source of our salvation, Mary contributed with her maternal service to impart this grace to men. She truly is our Mother as – through her intercession and prayer – she continually contributes to our birth to the supernatural life: the Mother of the Son of God constantly intercedes for the grace of salvation for all of us.

This weekend we also celebrate the Epiphany. We come with the Magi to Bethlehem to worship the Lord. We want to see and honor the Son of God, born of Mary, born in the greatest humility, who becomes a gift for all: from Mary, through Joseph, shepherds, and the mysterious foreign visitors themselves, to all of us. The glory of the Lord shone over the earth. In this way, not only did Christ come into the world – *a light that shines in the darkness* – but He is also revealed to all nations. The night of history was illuminated with an extraordinary radiance.

The light of the star that led the three wise men to Bethlehem is also a guide for us, the people of the 21st century. It prompts us to look for hope not in the promises of this world, but those out of this world. The star directs our gaze to Christ, the light of the world. The moment when the Magi, led by a star, adored the new King of the Jews, symbolizes that it is no longer the elements, the laws of matter that govern the world and man, but it is the personal God who rules over the universe. And if we know this Person and allow Him to know us, then we are no longer slaves to the universe and its laws – we are free.

Finally, we know that the Magi, *warned in a dream*, return to their homes *by another way*. It is an indication that whoever encounters God is profoundly changed, begins to walk in different ways, follow different paths. The encounters surrounding the Incarnation of the Son of God radically change everyone involved. Mary from a simple girl becomes the Mother of God; Joseph from a humble carpenter develops into a housemaker of God; Shepherds tending their sheep come to tend to the needs of God-Man; Magi from pagans become the first believers. The story of Jesus's Nativity has to transform us also. If it doesn't, it simply means we haven't encountered Him yet.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE classes resume next Sunday January 9th

The next Adult Faith Formation class will be on Wednesday, January 5th



### Thank You

Thank you to those who donated to the second collection on the weekend of December 19th for the Catholic Charities Cold Weather Shelter. We collected \$3,677.66!



### The Knights of Columbus

If you would like to join or want more info about The Knights of Columbus contact Jerry Steffen, 970-978-7350 or email [thegreeley6@aol.com](mailto:thegreeley6@aol.com)



Thank you so much for your generosity to this season's Giving Tree and Care Bag Drive for Catholic Charities. Your gifts have helped the Guadalupe Apartments residents to have a better Christmas, and we donated 200 care bags to the Cold Weather Shelter. Thank you!

### Feed the Bears

Spring 2022

VOLUNTEER TO MAKE DINNER FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS AFTER THE SUNDAY 6PM MASS.



The sign-up link can be found at [stpetergreeley.org](http://stpetergreeley.org)




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