

JANUARY 2ND, 2022— SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

St. Anthony of Padua Parish and School

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 1st

Solemnity of Holy Mary, Mother of God
(Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00am & 12Noon Spanish

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday, January 2nd

6:30am • 8:00am • 10:00am

12Noon Spanish

DAILY ROSARY & MASS: 12NOON

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
WEDNESDAY—7:00AM

FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH IS
7:00AM; ALL OTHER FRIDAYS 12NOON

ADORATION: Every Friday 7:00am thru Saturday 7:00am Divine Mercy Chapel. All are welcome. If interested please contact JoRuth Spellman.
520-975-1415/Or hdrjor@live.com

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptism preparation classes are held in English & Spanish once a month. Please contact the Parish Office 9am to 4:30pm Monday—Friday.

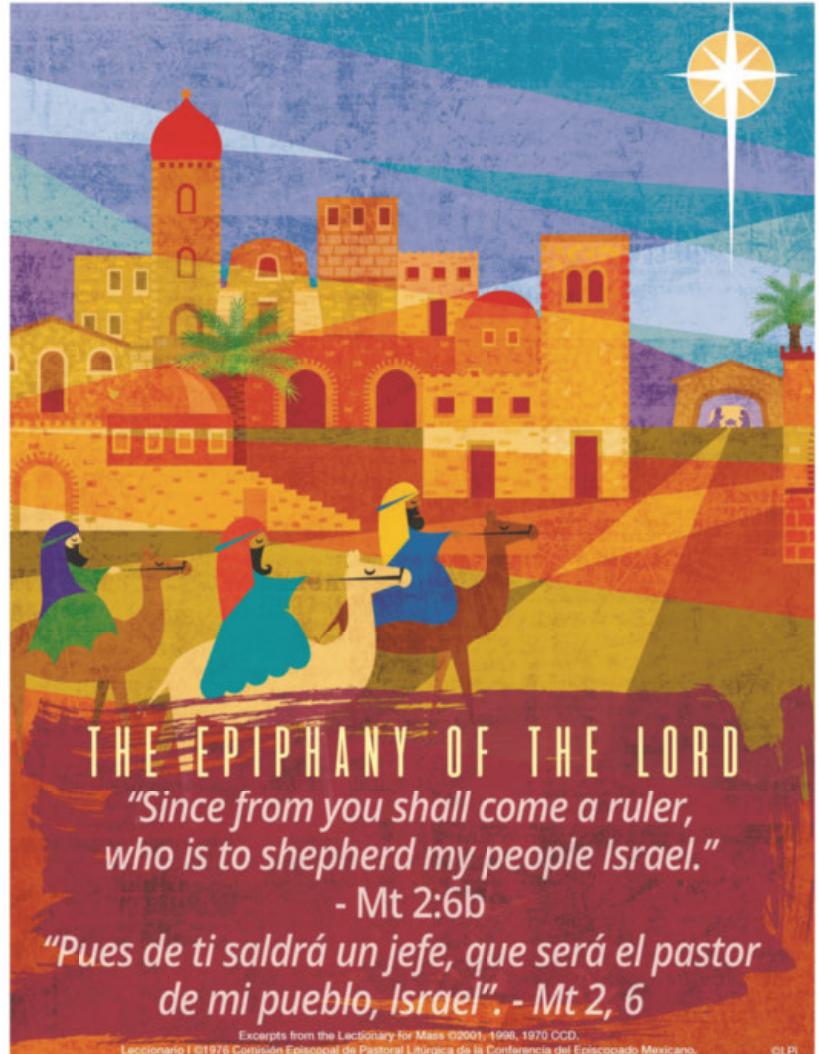
Las clases en Espanol son una vez al mes. Para registrarse, por favor llamar al teléfono de la oficina (520-836-0601) de Lunes a Viernes, de 9:00am a 4:30pm.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

The Diocese of Tucson requires a six month minimum notice & preparation. Marriage Retreats are scheduled three times a year. Please contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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MASS INTENTIONS

"A Morning Offering: Oh my God, I offer to you today, all I think & do & say. Uniting it with what was done, on earth by Jesus Christ your Son."

Mass Intention Book is now open through March 30th, 2022

Saturday, January 1st — Solemnity of Holy Mary, Mother of God (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00am †Russell Shannon, †Marian Warfel, †Marlene Reese
12Noon For the People

4:00pm Epiphany Vigil: †Gilbert Leos, †Samuel Montano

Sunday, January 2nd — Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

6:30am For the People
8:00am †Robert Grey, Jr., †Joanne Moreno, †Don Moreno,
†Martin Rodriguez, †Ricardo H. Cantu, †Christina G. Cantu; SI:
Diego A. Cosillos, Cosillos & Cantu Families
10:00am †Manuel Lopez, †Rudy Lopez, †Eugene Robert Ward,
†Carlos Elias
12Noon †Moses Moya, Maggie Sanchez, Tomaz Hernandez

Monday, January 3rd — Christmas Weekday/Holy Name of Jesus

12Noon †Gloria Flores; SI: Mary Vizzerra

Tuesday, January 4th — St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious

12Noon †Pastor's Intentions

Wednesday, January 5th — St. John Neumann, bishop

7:00am †Pastor's Intentions

Thursday, January 6th — Christmas Weekday/St. Andre Bessette, religious

12:00Noon †Pastor's Intentions

Friday, January 7th — Christmas Weekday/St. Raymond of First Penyafort, priest

7:00am †Karen Skier, †Martin Rodriguez, †Maria E. Rodriguez

Saturday, January 8th — Christmas Weekday

4:00pm Vigil: †Marian Warfel; SI: Delia Willis, Tom Willis

Sunday, January 9th — Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

6:30am †Jason Rangel, †Martin Rodriguez

8:00am For the People

10:00am †Gilbert Leos, †Manuel Lopez, †Rudy Lopez, †Eugene Robert Ward
12Noon †Blanca Armida Garcia Aros

Readings for the week of January 2nd, 2022 ©LPI

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts

10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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Parish Office Hours: Monday—Friday

8:30am to 11:55am & 1:00pm to 4:30pm
(Office is closed during the 12Noon Mass)

The Epiphany of the Lord

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. ©LPI

La Epifanía del Señor

Aun en estos tiempos, la humanidad continúa buscando la estrella, esa estrella que muchas veces se pierde entre la injusticia, el odio y la discriminación. Sin embargo, hay que seguir el camino y alzar los ojos al cielo para encontrar el centro de su luz. "Levántate y brilla, que ha llegado tu luz y la Gloria de Yavé amaneció sobre ti (Isaías 60,1). La Gloria de la Manifestación de Jesús en su Evangelio y en la Eucaristía se hace presente entre nosotros en la Liturgia de hoy. El Papa Francisco nos explica acerca de la belleza de esta celebración. "La manifestación de Jesús, simbolizada por la luz: Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque llega tu luz; la Gloria del Señor amanece sobre ti". Él nos exhorta al movimiento, a no quedarnos ahí fijos como estatuas sin hacer nada.



También, nos explica sobre la participación de los magos del Oriente y lo que ellos representan. "Los Magos, venidos de Oriente, representan a todos los pueblos lejanos de la fe judía tradicional: se dejan guiar por la estrella y se enfrentan a un largo y arriesgado viaje; se postran ante Jesús y le ofrecen regalos simbólicos: oro, incienso y mirra; la búsqueda del Señor implica también la generosidad del corazón" (1/6/2019). ¿Qué le estoy ofreciendo a Jesús en esta etapa de mi vida? ¿Qué tipo de manifestaciones he tenido de Dios a lo largo de mi vida? Pidamos, en esta Eucaristía, que la luz de Cristo se manifieste en estos tiempos turbulentos y oscuros que experimentamos en el mundo entero. Sigamos vigilantes, caminemos por sendas nuevas, sigamos el ejemplo de los Magos. Ellos, regresaron a su país por otro camino. ©LPI





Christmas Flower Offerings

"In Loving Memory & in Honor of our Loved Ones"



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 Robert Costales
 Anita Garcia
 Lupe Garcia
 Richard Jimenez
Librado & Dolores Chapa
 Felipe & Elsa O'Dell
 Eldon & Norma Rupp
 George Castillo, Jr.
 Christopher Castillo
 Gilbert & Ruth Castillo
 David Villarreal, Sr.
 Joe Villarreal
 Rey Gallegos
 Demicia Gallegos
 Maurice Castelein
 Eulalia Castelein
 Clare Rossman
 Alvina Rossman
 Estelle Musky
Antonio Perez, Margerite Perez
Isidro Perez, Felipe Perez
 Rosalinda P. Garcia
 Ramon M. Villanueva, Sr.
 Rene Castell
Alejo & Francisca Sanchez
Maria & Manuel Villanueva
 Marvin Trybom
 Marie Trybom
 Harold Chute
 Lorayne Chute
The Manterola Family
The Romero Family
 Mary Beth Peña
 Norbert Peters, Sr.
 Norbert Peters, Jr.
 David Peters, Sr.
Margie Garcia Gonzales
 Charlie Gonzales
 Buddy Labauve
 John Mullins
Warren & Gertrude Thomasson
Dr. Ezio Grossi
Bramanti Family, Neroni Family
Grossi Family, Trian Family
 Ricky Demarest
 Tony Bussari, Jr.
 Stella Harper
 Magdalena & Juan Nortiga
 Conchita Perez
 John Battistella
 Larry Droski
 Yeh-Mow Shen, Wei-Ming Shen
 Helen Zrebiec, Louis Zrebiec
 Loretta Zrebiec
 Alphonso A. Tribendis
 Mary R. Tribendis
 Genoveva & Louis Hinojosa
 Margaret & Jose Sifuentes
 Genoveva Sifuentes Martinez
 Chapo Tejada
 Teresa Menchaca
 Fidel Tejada, Maria Tejada
 Lupe Tejada
 The Nall & Kuzniar Families

Arsenault & DeBonville Families
 Andriano & Mitchell Families
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 Chino Lara
 Alfred Lara
 Oscar Lara
 Terry Lara
 Ray & Mercy Salazar
 Sandi Lara
 Ysabel & Francisca Lara
 Mary Colores
 Arnold Ramirez
 Don & Bev Geldmacher
 Ray Johnson
 Bill & Nedra Christensen
 Juanita & Fred Lake
 Juanita Sites
 Roy & Lydia Nowlin
 The Families of Bill & Evie Weis
 Michael Morancy
 Dorothy & Edward Burda
 Clarence & Catherine Morancy
 Beutonne Fleishman
 Nedom Family
 Beiriger Family
 Paris Burrell, Ralph Burrell
 Beatrice Burrell
 Margaret Garcia, Veronica Carrillo
 Ray Ramirez
 Jose Burrell, Carmen Burrell
 Mary Helen Apodaca
 Alice Apodaca, Margaret Apodaca
 Irby Celaya D. Celaya
 David Celaya
 Harry Bagnall, Marilyn Bagnall
 Sylvia Manowski,
 Nancy MacCorkle,
 Mathew Wiesbeck, Margaret Berard,
 Stephen Balint, George Murray,
 Sharon Conner
 Shannar Robinson
 Vincent Beronia
 Norma Sloan
 Jose Mercado
 Jose Antonio, Antonio
 & Ana Garcia
 Cade McGrath
 Linda Griffiths Aulick
 Martin & Maria E. Rodriguez
 Guillermo Rodriguez
 David Villarreal, Joe Villarreal
 Domingo Paiz
 Gloria Garcia
 Maria Paiz
 Josef & Maria Beisswenger
 Rita Beisswenger
 Ben & Patricia Fiori
 Bob Echeverria
 Bertha Echeverria
 Robby Echeverria
 Cecilia Okuagu
 Mathias Okuagu
 Bridget Idemili
 Anthony Ezekwe
 Kenechukwu Ezekwe
 John Masero
 Bill Herbner
 Tex Bidegain
 Chris Bidegain
 Marty Bidegain
 Larry Rookstool
 Steven Horazuk
 Lisa Horazuk
 Devin Fahnholz
 Chas Tarqueno
 Marilyn Krauss
 Manuel H. Tapia
 Erlinda Terrell
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 Jack Patrick
 Marilyn Cunningham
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 Sauceda Family
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 Juan Verduzco
 Eugene Genise
 Pat Genise
 Antoinette Haack, William Haack
 Elizabeth Smith, Dudley Smith
 Joan & Phil Melito
 Cecil & Marie Weatherby
 Francis & Idella Schendzielos
 Frank Michael Cilino
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 Lucy & Charles Cilino
 Donald Taylor Yates
 Thomas & Cecilia Piskor
 Francis & Wanda Kilanski
 Walter Mross
 Elbert Wiseman
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 Willie F. Martinez,
 Jr.
 Jenny Garcia, Billy
 Garcia
 Raul & Terry Marquez
 Rose Dodson
 Margaret Carl
 Dale Drost
 Mary Lakies
 Sofie Pesqueira
 Virginia Pesqueria, William Pesqueira
 John Putz
 Mary Putz
 Robert Putz
 Jose D. Varelas, Rogelio Varelas
 Ernestina & Frank Villarreal
 Frances Whalen
 Theodora & Francisco Gomez
 Eulalia & Lupe Gonzalez
 Ruben & Anita Gomez
 Thomas Garvey
 Cecilia Garvey
 Joan Murphy
 Elizabeth Murphy
 Allan Tostenson
 Augustine Tostenson
 JoAnn Tostenson
 Larry & Carmen Diaz
 Rosindo Hernandez
 Lios Family
 All of my sisters
 Pedro & Jose Hernandez



Alvin Hamman
 Viola, Lester,
 Dave Hamman
 Albert & Mildred
 Bender
 Sally & Lawrence Trapp
 Devota Synesall
 Jennifer Vidal
 Raul Vidal
 Dante Brubeck
 Arturo P. Cosillos
 Cruz M. Cosillos
 Manuel Cosillos
 Francisco P. Cosillos
 Eduardo A. Mendez
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 Christina G. Cantú
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 Roberto Saldivar
 Bruce & Patricia Gambill
 Jayden Kane
 Eugene Robert Ward
 Marty Kakar
 Kwiatkowski Family
 Baldemar Peña
 Rodriguez (Ricardo) Family
 Dora & Bennie Gallegos
 Eleanor Young
 Daniel Scubby
 Marcos Celaya, Sr.
 Marcos Celaya, Jr.
 Rafael Bustamante
 Ofelia Bustamante
 Michael, Veronica, and Edward
 Wroblewski
 Judy Warner, Helene Cordell
 Leo, Rose, and Larry Waldo
 Edward Bushon, Bernice Bushon
 Leona Darmofal, Maxie Romanow
 Jack Berger, Caitlan Cardany
 Rita & Al Nader
 Russell Shannon, Marian Warfel
 Cindy Clausen, Rita Kopiak
 Marlene & Herb Reese
 Tomaz & Sally Hernandez,
 Moses Moya, Maggie Sanchez
 Joseph & Wilhemina Berger
 Carl & Lucy Berger

CASA GRANDE LIFE WALK

The 12th annual Casa Grande Life Walk is Saturday, January 8th in remembrance of all those lost to abortion in Peart Park at 10:30am followed by a rose laying ceremony at St. Anthony's marker for the unborn. We are collecting diapers, size 3 to 5, for St. Vincent de Paul. Please bring to the event. Thank You.

WINTER DIAPER DRIVER

St. Vincent de Paul of Casa Grande asks the community for continued help to keep donations on the shelves during the winter months. Diapers sizes 5-6 can be placed in the Giving Tree collection box in the front of the church Saturday's and Sunday's at St. Anthony of Padua Church or brought to the Casa Grande Life Walk on January 8th. Contact clegg.a@gmail.com for more information. Thank you for helping young families in need!

ADULT CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

If you are or know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic OR you are interested in receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, classes start Monday January 10. Contact Deacon Steve at dcnsteve@stanthonycg.org or call 520 836 0601 press 2 then 7.

COMMUNION TO A LOVED ONE

To request the Homebound Ministry to bring communion to your loved one please call the Parish Office 520-836-0601. Office hours are Monday—Friday 8:30am to 12Noon and 1:00pm to 4:30pm.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Give yourselves the best Christmas present ever – take time for your marriage. Strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance, and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Feb 5-6, 2022, at Mt Claret Retreat Center. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: wwwmearizona.com

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA SCHOOL POSITION OPEN

Full-Time Preschool/Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
Contact: Randy Lazar, Principal
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A MESSAGE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

From our beginning in 1988 we have registered over 24,000 families and homeless individuals. The number of new clients this year has greatly increased. We now feed over 1,100 individuals in one month. And serve as many as 51 clients (an average of 150 people) in one day, and the numbers keeps growing!

This year we've made improvements to our facility and the number of people to support this growth. We have a new Program Manager, 6 employees, and over



35 volunteers. We have sealed the roof, repaired 9 heat pumps, replaced our plumbing system, improved computer systems, replaced our security system, improved pricing, appearance and functionality of the Thrift store and replaced a freezer. BUT the best news, Ellison Mills will begin a 2 week project to replace our parking lot on January 17. During that time, our food pantry and Thrift Store will remain open as usual.

St Vincent de Paul not only sells items in the Thrift Store, but also provides items at no cost for the poor, homeless and people who have just found shelter. We are in need of the following both to sell and for supporting our clients: men's shoes, clothing, underwear and knit hats; kitchenware like pots, pans, silverware and electric fry pans; clean sheets, pillowcases towels, warm blankets and comforters.

Also needed are volunteers for the office and Thrift Store and your continued support to help us help our clients. We continue to be amazed at the tremendous support you have provided St Vincent de Paul. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

- Jerry Scheiber, President

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REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah foresaw a time of great joy for Israel when nations and kings would come to Israel praising the Lord. How do you show gratitude to the Lord for the great joys of your life?

Second Reading: It was revealed to Paul that God intended to save all people (Jews and Gentiles) through his Son, Jesus Christ. Paul tried to convey the significance of this revelation to the Ephesians by using the language of "coheirs" and "copartners." What does this language signal to you?

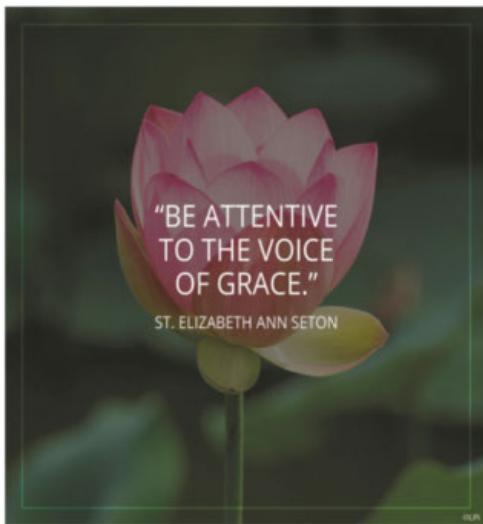
Gospel: The visit of the magi is one of the most well-known stories from the Gospel infancy narratives. It was an event that manifested God's revelation of His newborn Son to the world. It also foreshadowed the threat that some would experience because of Jesus. How does Jesus challenge the status quo even today? ©LPI

REFLEXIONAR Y RESPONDER

Primera Lectura: El profeta Isaías previó un tiempo de gran gozo para Israel cuando las naciones y los reyes vendrían a Israel alabando al Señor. ¿Cómo le demuestras gratitud al Señor por los grandes gozos de tu vida?

Segunda Lectura: A Pablo le fue revelado que Dios tenía la intención de salvar a todas las personas (judíos y gentiles) a través de su Hijo, Jesucristo. Pablo trató de transmitir el significado de esta revelación a los efesios usando el lenguaje de "coherederos" y "copartícipes". ¿Qué te indica este lenguaje?

Evangelio: La visita de los magos es una de las historias más conocidas de los relatos de la infancia del Evangelio. Fue un evento que manifestó la revelación de Dios sobre su Hijo recién nacido al mundo. También presagió la amenaza que algunos experimentarían a causa de Jesús. ¿Cómo desafía Jesús el estatus quo incluso el día de hoy? ©LPI



LIVE THE LITURGY

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©LPI

VIVIR LA LITURGIA

Los seres humanos se aburren fácilmente. Las rutinas de la vida pueden volverse tan predecibles que a menudo hay poco tiempo para la emoción o la frescura. El día de hoy todo se trata de lo nuevo y lo maravilloso. Al celebrar la belleza y la sencillez de la Epifanía, vemos de manera tangible el poder creativo, redentor y restaurador de Dios. Este refrigerio y revitalización se ofrece no solo a unos pocos elegidos sino a todos en todo el mundo. No hay nada rutinario o estático acerca de Dios. Sorpresas, maravillas, milagros, oportunidades, sanaciones y gozo sin medida están disponibles para los que creen. Nunca hay finales, solo comienzos. Y, cuando la oscuridad, el aburrimiento y la tristeza parecen estar a la orden del día, resplandece una

nueva luz brillante que nos señala la verdad y nos recuerda que somos amados. ©LPI

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Light of the Moon: If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life." If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life. One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?" That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it. The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary. In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the

hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others. Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

RECONOCER A DIOS EN LOS MOMENTOS ORDINARIOS

La Luz de la Luna: Si tienes un televisor que se ha encendido en algún momento durante el último mes, es probable que hayas captado al menos una escena o dos de la película clásica de 1946 "¡Que Bello es Vivir!" Si no estás

familiarizado con la película, esta sigue la vida de George Bailey desde la infancia hasta la edad adulta. Un soñador por naturaleza, George tiene grandes planes para sí mismo que involucran la exploración del mundo y la aventura, pero las obligaciones familiares y comunitarias lo mantienen atado al mismo lugar en el mapa, llevando una vida completamente ordinaria. Una de las escenas más memorables de esa película es la de George bailando con su amada Mary mientras cantan "Buffalo Gals - ¿No saldrás esta noche / y bailarás a la luz de la luna?" Esa letra siempre me llama la atención. Por supuesto, la luna no tiene luz propia. Todo lo que tiene la luna es la capacidad de reflejar la luz que la ilumina. Lo mismo vale para nosotros, ¿no? Nuestra corresponsabilidad es puramente un reflejo de la gracia que nos ha otorgado otro. "Sobre ti resplandece el SEÑOR," escribe Isaías, "y sobre ti aparece su gloria." Toda buena acción que vayamos a tomar comienza en la mente de Dios. El hecho de que tengamos el honor de llevarlo a cabo en su nombre es un hermoso regalo. Es Dios quien hace que nuestras vidas ordinarias sean extraordinarias. Al final de la película, George Bailey se da cuenta de que tuvo una vida mucho mejor porque, en lugar de ser el héroe de su propia historia, se permitió reflejar la bondad en los demás.

Recuerda: los magos no trazaron su propio curso. Simplemente siguieron la estrella. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Cuando vieron la estrella se llenaron de alegría.
Mateo 2, 10



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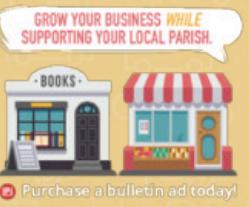


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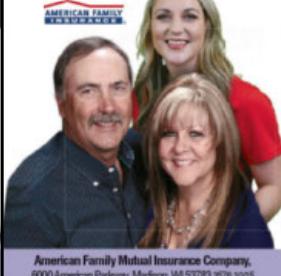
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