



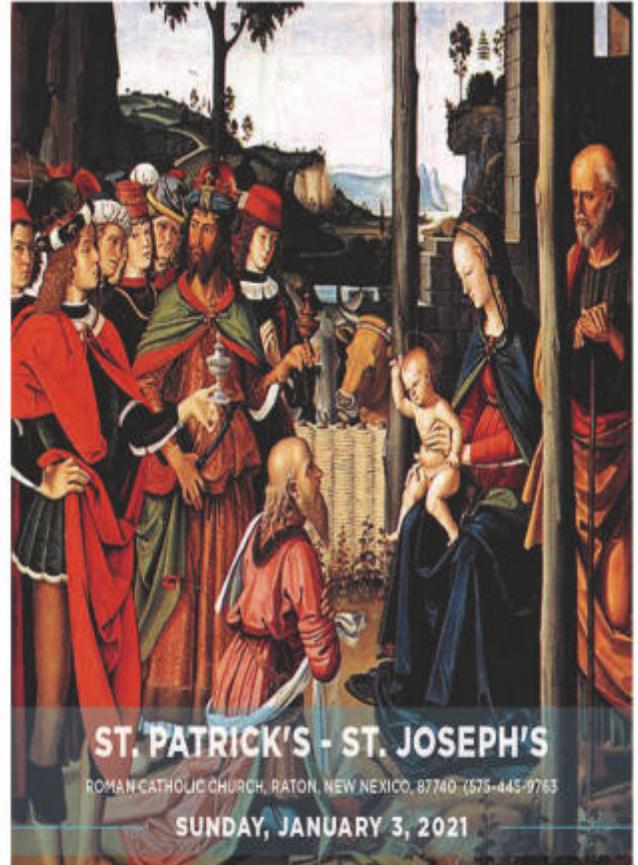
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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." - Mt 2:1-2

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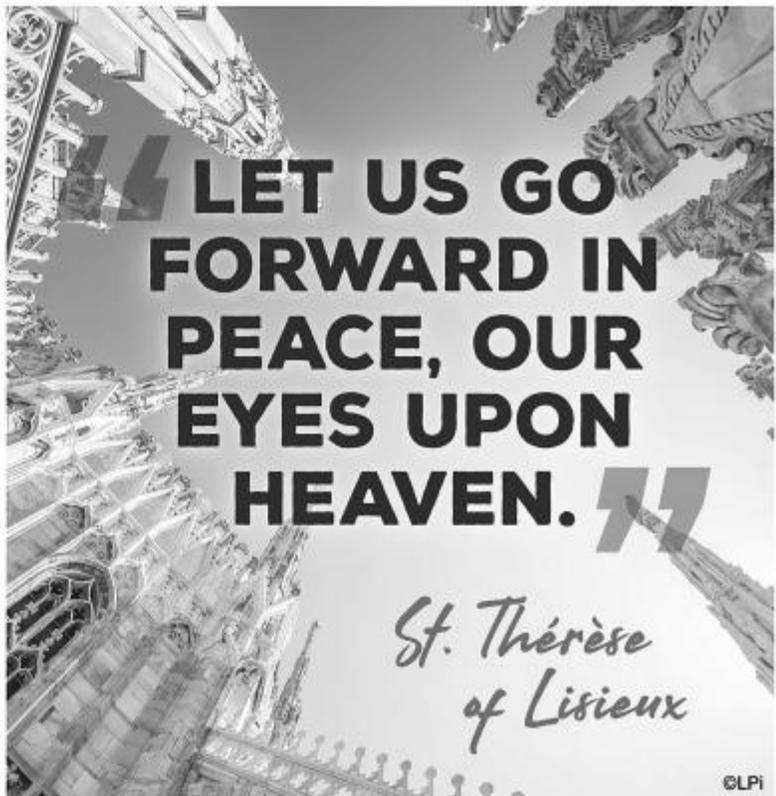
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LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Even the slightest flicker of a light helps to properly orient us when we find ourselves in total darkness. Being in darkness can be unsettling and even a bit unnerving. We lose our focus and struggle to find our bearings and achieve balance. On life's journey we may think we are walking in the light but are really lingering in darkness. We do not see the full picture, either because we are distracted, disinterested, or even apprehensive. Sometimes, we even choose to close our eyes when the light is readily available to illuminate our path. Do we really desire to know the truth of who we are? In Jesus Christ, a light has been given to those who dwell in darkness. God's revelation gives us the light to see where we come from, who we are and where we are going. It also tells us that this Good News is not meant for just a privileged few but is intended to go out to all the world. Is this something we want to see?

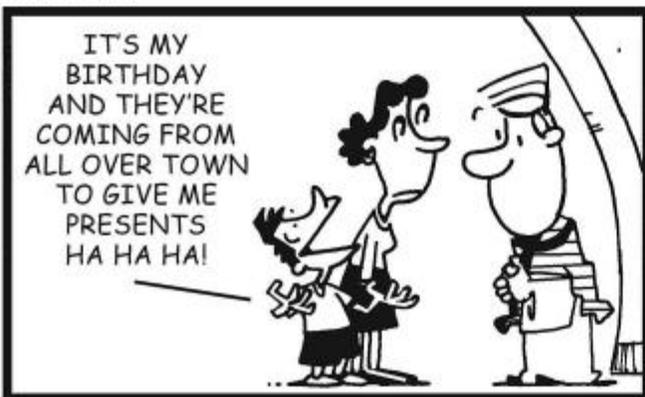


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EPIPHANY



January 1, 2020
January 31, 2020
the Sanctuary
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Margaret Zuber
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Rose
Family

*We pray for our brothers & sister, may
know the healing presence of Christ.*

Clara Mascarenas, Michael Fahrenbuck,
Yolanda Encinias, Joel Rivera, Liam Martinez,
Gus Mascarenas, Janelle Martinez,
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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

PSALM:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

SECOND READING:

It was not made known to people in other generation
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. (Eph 2:5-6)

GOSPEL:

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. (Mt 2:10-11)

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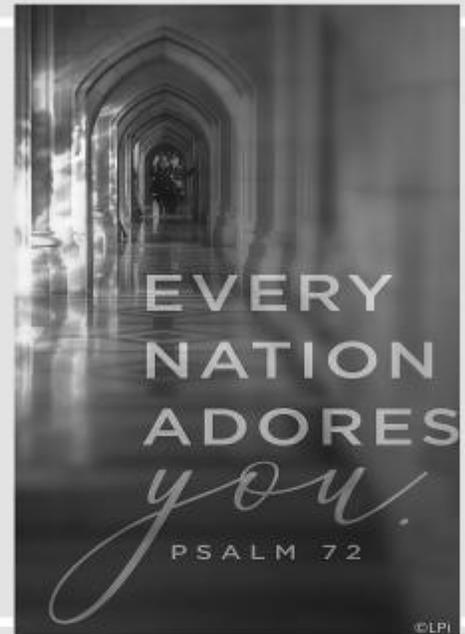
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Tuesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
Wednesday: St. André Bessette, Religious
Thursday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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REFLECT

FIRST READING

In late 6th century BC, the prophet Isaiah proclaimed an unimaginable future of glory for Israel in the wake of their return from seventy years of captivity in Babylon. What message of hope does our nation need today?

SECOND READING

Paul speaks of God's "revelation" to include Gentiles as "coheirs" and "copartners" with Jews in the divine promise fulfilled in Christ Jesus. How welcoming are you to those you consider outsiders?

GOSPEL READING

The magi's visit to discover the "newborn king of the Jews" caused great anxiety for the religious leaders of Jerusalem, including King Herod. Why do you think some people are not open to the good news of Jesus Christ?

Mass Intentions

January 5, 2021 - January 10, 2021

Tuesday, January 5

†Adelita Craig by Blaisure Family
*For the End of the Pandemic

Wednesday, January 6

†Selma Gutierrez by Blaisure Family
*For the End of the Pandemic

Thursday, January 7

†Nancy Maldonado by Blaisure Family
*For the End of the Pandemic

Friday, January 8

†Joseph Bertola by Family
*For the End of the Pandemic

Saturday, January 9

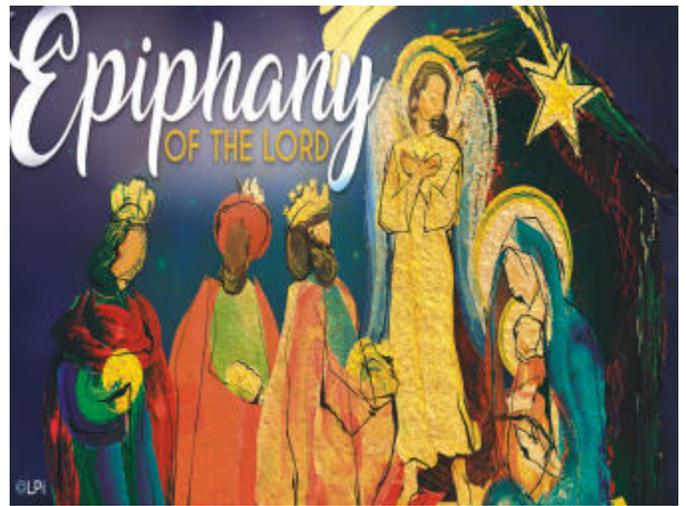
*People of the Parish

Sunday, January 10

†Johnny Bacca by SPSJ
†Deceased Members of the Macaron Family
by the Family
*For the End of the Pandemic

Although masses in our church will be celebrated in private without the presence of the faithful, be assured of my prayers for you, your families, our country, and for your individual Mass intentions. Fr. Bill





STAR GAZERS

Around a thousand years ago a stonemason in Autun, France, was working on decorations for the city's new cathedral. One of his carvings shows a charming scene. The three kings, all wearing crowns and sharing one cozy bed, are being awakened by an angel pointing to a star. The angel's finger is gently touching the hand of one of the kings on top of the patterned coverlet. This king's eyes have popped open in surprise, while the other two slumber on. The stonemason artistically combined two biblical stories into one. The star reminds us of the one that led the kings to Bethlehem, while the visiting angel refers to the warning they received in a dream not to return to Herod after visiting the Christ Child. For centuries tradition has held that the names of the kings were Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, but nobody really knows for sure. Other traditions call them wise men from the East who studied the stars. They were the first non-Jews to recognize and worship the Son of God and give him kingly gifts. In the Middle Ages, houses were blessed on Epiphany, reflecting how the magi found Christ "on entering the house." Try reviving this ancient tradition today. It can work for any family or household group. One person incenses the house while another sprinkles holy water, and a third writes in chalk over every outside doorway "20 + C + M + B + 11" (or whatever the year may be), which stands for "The three Holy Kings, Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar, in the year of Our Lord 2011." The letters C, M, and B also stand for *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless this home." Blessing the doorways symbolizes the family's commitment to welcome everyone as Christ into their home throughout the year.

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Father,

you revealed your Son to the nations
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the Epiphany of the Lord)

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