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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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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

*Saturday: 5:00 PM

*Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

*Monday: 8:30 AM *Tuesday: 8:30 AM *Wednesday: 8:30 AM

*First Friday of the month: 8:30 AM

*Thursday & Friday: Communion Service 8:30 AM

CONFESSION

*Saturday: 3:00pm-3:45pm

INFANT BAPTISMS

Are by appointment. Please call the Rectory office at 818-360-4611 ext. 110 for information and scheduling.

MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory at least six months before the desired wedding day to begin marriage preparation.

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of January 2, 2022

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 Sunday:

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

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

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



God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son...

In the midst of this Season of Joy and Hope, the world is still caught up in the uncertainties of the pandemic. But our Faith is not at all dimmed. In the Christmas carol, O Little Town of Bethlehem, we sing "the hopes and fears of all the years" are met in Christ born in Bethlehem.

With faith, our fears are lessened and our hope is increased. With faith, we know that Christ's Light shines even in the darkness of uncertainty just as He came on that first Christmas night bringing peace to the world.

Yet in thy dark streets shineth The everlasting light.

My Christmas wish for each of you, dear parishioners, is that you experience the power of Christ's Birth. I pray that you allow the Prince of Peace to dwell in your hearts, in your families, in your neighborhood—and in so doing, bring Christ's Peace in the world!

Humbly yours,

Father Alden Sison

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Pastor

The Christings Season

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

DECEMBER 25, 2021 SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Holy Day of Obligation

CHRISTMAS VIGIL - Friday, December 24

(Christmas Season begins)

4:00 p.m.

Children's Mass

6:30 p.m.

Mass at Night

12:00 a.m.

Mass at Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY - Saturday December 25

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

No evening Mass.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021 SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. No evening Mass.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

(Not a holy day of obligation this year) 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 SOLEMNITY THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Regular Sunday Schedule 5:00 p.m. (Saturday); 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022 SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Regular Sunday Schedule 5:00 p.m. (Saturday); 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

The Christmas Season ends at sundown.

WEEKDAY MASSES WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

8:30 a.m.

December 27: Feast of Saint John the Apostle December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents

December 29: Fifth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
December 30: Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
December 31: Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord.



Sunday, January 2nd 8:30am Edward Slovick (D) 10:30am Bobby Villar (D) 5:00pm Jarvis Rodrigs (D)

Monday, January 3rd 8:30am Myrna Jones (D)

Tuesday, January 4th 8:30am Horst Burchard (D)

Wednesday, January 5th 8:30am Horst Burchard (D)

Thursday, January 6th 8:30am Guillermo Encomienda Jr (D) **Anniversary of Passing**

Friday, January 7th 8:30am Gilbert Azcarate, Sr (D) **Anniversary of Passing**

> Saturday, January 8th 5:00pm Nicole Sica (D)

Sunday, January 9th 8:30am Horst Burchard (D) 10:30am Donald Benson (L) 5:00pm Fr. Dave Ayotte (D)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

April Mazzeo

Joe Nuccitelli Maria Frigillana Anthony Nuccitelli Anton Holtzman Deacon Mike Perez Dora Holtzman Craig Petrella Joan Johnson Carl Stearns Werner Kessling Armando Talamantez Carolan Lombardy Beth Tramontina

and all those in our Parish Book of Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF ALL SOULS: Jennie Sorenson and Federico Laguian





Did you know? January 1-2 || Online safety review for the new year

Take some time this month to review your family's online safety. Make sure you have strong passwords in place, and that your security settings are updated. Check where you have passwords stored as well — children who are tech savvy can easily access inappropriate materials on smart TVs and devices where passwords do not have to be entered. Consider installing accountability software on any devices that your children access. Software like Covenant Eyes or other options can keep your child from visiting any inappropriate or forbidden sites. For more tips, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Revisit Online Safety Practices" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

St. Euphrasia



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> OFFICE HOURS ARE WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY





Happy New Year! Please join us on January 8th at 10am in the Church Hall for Our Cancer Ministry.

All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.



During this time of year it's the season of giving. Join us for the American Red Cross Blood drive on **January 23 from 7am-1pm** at the St. Euphrasia Hall. To select an appointment time, please login at redcrossblood.org or if you have any questions you may reach Leslie Nuccitelli at Inuccitelli55@icloud.com







FAITH FORMATION



Are you interested in receiving the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation or Communion? Or are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?

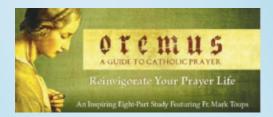
Are you interested in helping those who want to become Catholic? New team members for all levels of RCIA and Adult Confirmation preparation are needed.

Contact Sister Joanna adultfaith@stemail.org * 213-256-9753

Preparation of **Adults** for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Classes are Sundays 1-3 pm beginning February 13 or Mondays 7-9 pm beginning February 14. Anyone who has already been Confirmed is also welcome to join and deepen in their faith.

Contact Sister Joanna to register - 213-256-9753 or adultfaith@stemail.org



Do you find it easy to pray? For many, prayer can be difficult with our busy lives and/or our inability to quiet our minds. By following the wisdom of the saints and the Tradition of the Church, you will learn how to express yourself to God in prayer, and how to make prayer an integral part of your daily

OREMUS study program teaches us the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life in only 8 weeks!

Come join us at Saint Euphrasia Parish Hall! Every Tuesday 7:00pm to 8:30pm Starting February 8th to April 5th

Registration is FREE, and the participant's workbook Donation \$15.00.

For questions and please R.S.V.P! **Anna Bañuelos** 818-900-3090 **Ed Bañuelos** 818-271-7069

Reflect: Who? What? are the "stars" that remind us of "God-with-us" and lead us to Him? Servant of God Sister Ida Peterfy, SDSH

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

The Epiphany of the Lord/January 2, 2022 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 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. (Eph 3:5-6)

Gospel:

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

Observances for the week of January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord: Sts. Basil the Great Sunday: and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

Saturday:

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question:



Answer:

This a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the minsters respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacrarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.).



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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

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?



Married?

Great! You're just who we're looking for to help Catholic Engaged Encounter prepare engaged couples for marriage. Whether you've been married 2 months or 40+ years, we need your help. What better way to start 2022 than with a resolution to share your sacrament of matrimony! Catholic Engaged Encounter provides free training based upon your busy lifestyle. Call Paciano & Molly Diaz @ 310.729.5890 OR visit our website at www.CEEofLA.org and email us at MollyandPaciano@gmail.com





It's Time to Give the Gift of Warmth to those in need by donating USED Men's-Women's-Children's Used Coats and winter garments!

Feed My Sheep, St. Euphrasia's service ministry to the hungry and needy, is sponsoring our annual Used Men's, Women's and Children's Used Coat Drive now through February 2022. Green collection receptacles are located in the vestibule AND in the porch alcove by the side church door entrance on Shoshone Ave. Please join in giving the Gift of Warmth to those in need!! Contact Nancy Hymes for more info: nancyhymes@hotmail.com



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GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Beneath His Cross

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Every Month

TIME: 4:00-5:30 P.M. PLACE: Meet inside the Church LOCATION: ST. EUPHRASIA For more info please contact:

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Spiritual direction is the practice of walking with someone who wants to deepen their relationship with God and grow in their personal spirituality. The person seeking direction controls the time together. (S)he may share stories of encounters with the divine, or how they are cultivating a life attuned to spiritual things, or how they may be struggling in Faith,

especially during this time of pandemic. Sister Angela, Pastoral Assistant and a certified Spiritual Director, is available to meet virtually (ZOOM, SKYPE, or FaceTime) with any parishioner who wishes to strengthen their awareness of God's voice and presence in their lives. If you desire more information or wish to set up an initial appointment, please contact her at afaustina@stemail.org.



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