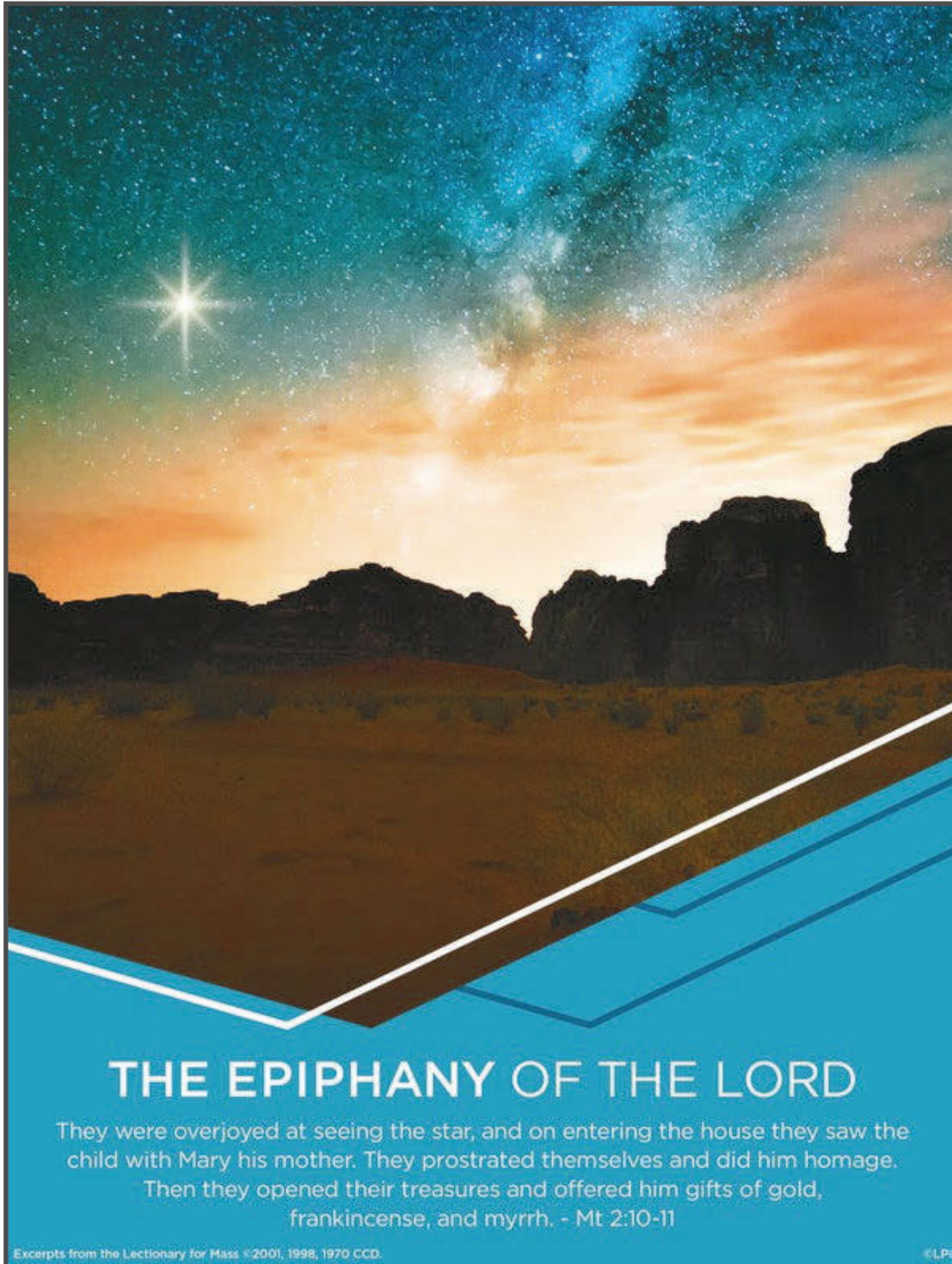




SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



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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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WELCOME

With joy we welcome all who have gathered here with us to worship God.

“How good to sing praise to our God; how pleasant to give fitting praise.” (Psalm 147:1)

Let us lift up our minds, hearts, and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday: 7:00* & 8:15 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:15 am*
9:00 am* | 10:45 am
12:30 pm | 5:00 pm

Weekday

Mon.-Fri.: 7:00* & 8:15 am
Wednesday: 6:30 pm*
First Friday: 6:30 pm*

*Masses are livestreamed on our Facebook page and YouTube channel.

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WORSHIP

OUR VISION

Be a flourishing community of intentional disciples shining as beacons of Christ.

Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm
Thursday before First Friday:
3:30 pm
Weekdays: call for an appt.

Eucharistic Adoration

Visit the Adoration Chapel in the Governo House.
Mon-Fri, 6:00 am-12:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday (except January and May) at 12:00 pm. All seniors and those seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend.

Next Mass: January 8, 2022

Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funeral, contact us at 510.797.1660 or holyspiritfremont.org

First Friday Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 pm immediately followed by Mass
Next Mass: January 7, 2022

Mass Intentions

To request a Mass, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org or 510.797.1660

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Welcome! To register, contact us at info@holyspiritfremont.org or go to holyspiritfremont.org/join-our-community

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

- 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) † Justina Andrada, † Evangelina Solis, Ariel Garalza, Jr
- 7:15 am For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 9:00 am John Anthony Proo Alvarez, † Dominador Abenojar, † Phyllis A. Allen
- 10:45 am Anne Asis Junco, † Mariano Andrada, † Eugenia M. & Emiliano G. Chavez
- 12:30 pm Salindong Family, † Joseph Grijaldo, † Sor Fatima Cabigao
- 5:00 pm † Ruth & William Quinn Nicholson, † Gregorio Tafoya, † Hayat Adamany

MONDAY, JANUARY 3 | MONDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

- 7:00 am Marika de Jesus, Yankiling Family, † Gregorio Tafoya
- 8:15 am † Godofredo Aquino, † Elsie Varghese

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

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

- 7:00 am † Nieves Licad, Agnes Velasquez, † Gregorio Tafoya
- 8:15 am Marc & Liz Talledo, † Justin Acoba

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5 | MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

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

- 7:00 am Ramon & Tessie Sugay, † Anna Griffin
- 8:15 am Marissa Joy Cruzada, † Arokian Swamy
- 6:30 pm Letty & Jose Aguirre Jr., † Andy Chan

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6 | THURSDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

- 7:00 am † John W. Briskie, † Elsie Varghese
- 8:15 am † Carlina Rocca, † Pete Castaneda

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7 | FRIDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

- 7:00 am † Domingo Marquez, † Cesar III Velasco Aguilar
- 8:15 am † Beatriz Bartolo, † Narciso Nitafan
- 6:30 pm For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 | SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

- 7:00 am Ramon & Tessie Sugay, † Jose & Cecilia Velasco
- 8:15 am Chito Sanchez, Cybill & Jody Esguerra
- 12:00 pm For the People of Holy Spirit Parish

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.



FROM THE DESK OF DN. CHUCK...



“They Prostrated Themselves and Did Him Homage”
The Epiphany of the Lord, 2022

What an intimate picture this passage from our Gospel reading of today paints in our mind. This is so much more telling than if it had read, “They visited and knelt before him.” The use of the terms ‘prostrate and homage’ adds meaning and creates for us a visual that brings home what the event is all about.

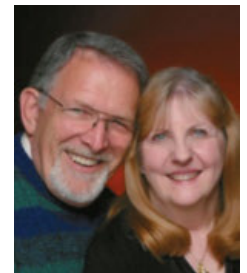
To prostrate is to give oneself up in submission or adoration. In the Rites of the Church, clergy prostrate themselves at the Altar on Good Friday and during the Litany of Saints at their Ordination. While this is a literal act and requires a physical positioning, we should always practice prostration as a spiritual act for our Christ. It is in our interest as a person and

as a community to submit ourselves to Christ and to do his will in all our works. We accomplish that when we pay homage to Him and to his Father. The act of paying homage is to acknowledge you are a servant of one greater than yourself.

In this world, we give respect and honor to those who are our co-workers, bosses, parents, spouses, and others; but prostrating and paying homage should be reserved for Christ and the Father. The Magi were not Jewish, they were Gentiles. Their act of seeking the Christ child and paying homage brought the world into the oneness of Christ and gave us all hope for our salvation.

On this day, the Epiphany of the Lord, may we all discover the true wonderfulness of Christ and vow to prostrate ourselves and pay homage forever and ever.

Dn. Chuck & Sherry



“Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.”



Matthew 2:2

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SERVE

St. Joseph the Worker: Sister Parish Dispatch

Meet Jacline Josaphat! She finished Kindergarten and is going to Lonat Pre & Primary School to begin Standard One.



Jacline as a toddler.

And here she is now...



A generous parishioner has agreed to sponsor her entire school tenure!



...with her parents Joseph and Lucy Josaphat.

Parish A/V Team

Our parish A/V Team is hiring for any/all of our weekend Masses. You must be at least 18 years old to apply. If interested, please contact jeff@holyspiritfremont.org

From our Youngest Stewards
I helped someone, I prayed,
I studied my lessons:

Abbey, Celestina, Ellie,
Langston, Veronica

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry



Heading to the store this week? Consider picking up a few items for our SVdP food pantry. Here's this week's grocery wish list:

- ⇒ Breakfast Cereal
- ⇒ Macaroni & Cheese
- ⇒ Tuna

Please drop off non-perishable food donations at the Parish Office during regular business hours or Governo House on Saturdays, 9:00-10:00 am only. **Do not leave donations outside.** Please note: We do not accept perishable, fresh foods (e.g., meats, produce, dairy, etc.). All food donations must be in factory sealed packages and/or containers. **PLEASE, NO EXPIRED FOOD.** Thank you for your support! For information or assistance: 510.797.3672

Special Collection: Diocesan Vocations Program

January 9, 2022

Every year the Oakland Diocese takes up a second collection for the financial support of our seminarians attending St. Patrick Seminary & University. Funds raised will go towards their studies, including tuition, housing, and

other expenses. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

Parish Office Ministry

Do you enjoy working with people? Are you looking for some meaningful work for a few hours a week? Then join our Holy Spirit Parish Office Ministry as a volunteer receptionist. Contact Sahaya Josephine at

Giving

Sunday, December 19

\$27,443

Corner

Special Collections coming up:

Diocesan Vocations Program | January 9

Our pledged weekly amount (excluding special collections):
\$31,963

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Please visit our parish website at <https://holyspiritfremont.org/give/> to enroll in Online Giving or Text-to-Give. For assistance with registration, please contact OSV at 800.348.2886 or our parish helpline at 510.456.4969.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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.



Please note: Our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to contact us to include your loved one. Go to <https://holyspiritfremont.org/request-a-prayer/> or call the Parish Office at 510.797.1660

Pray for Our Sick

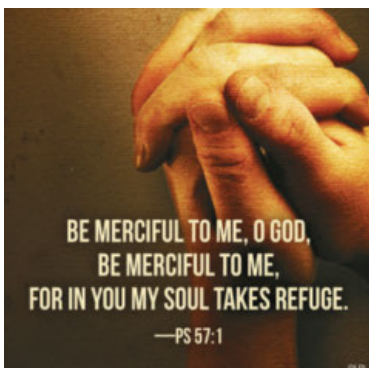
Rowena Ignacio, Nancy DeAnda, Donne Ordinario, Lorna Arachea, Vilma Gatal Tumampas

Pray for Our Recently Departed

Lourdes De Castro, Policarpio Bituin Joseph Dat

Birthday Blessings

Dn, Chuck Glover, Margaret Jiang, Shad Strong, Joyce Steiner, Jean Tanuinod



As we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany we pray that each person in our parish community may have a greater awareness of their gifts and may find new opportunities to share those gifts with Christ, His Church, and all people. *We pray to the Lord...*



INVITE

Filipino Society \$5 Meal

January 9, 2022

The Filipino Society will be hosting their \$5 meal deal next Sunday after the morning and 12:30 Masses. We'll be in the Peace Center—stop in and get a great meal at a deal.

For large orders, please send an email to hsfs.communications@gmail.com by Friday, January 7th. Thank you for your support. Proceeds benefit parish special projects.

Natural Family Planning Consultations

Ellen Holloway, NFP ambassador for Holy Spirit, Fertility awareness coach, and NFP instructor is offering free 15-minute consultations for anyone interested in learning more about NFP.

Have questions on how to get started, where to find an instructor, or how NFP works? Chat with Ellen about it! Consultations are free to Holy Spirit parishioners.

Contact Ellen at ellenholloway100@gmail.com or go to calendly.com/eiholloway

Adorers Needed

Adorers are needed for weekends. Please consider signing up for an hour (weekly commitment) on Saturdays or Sundays.

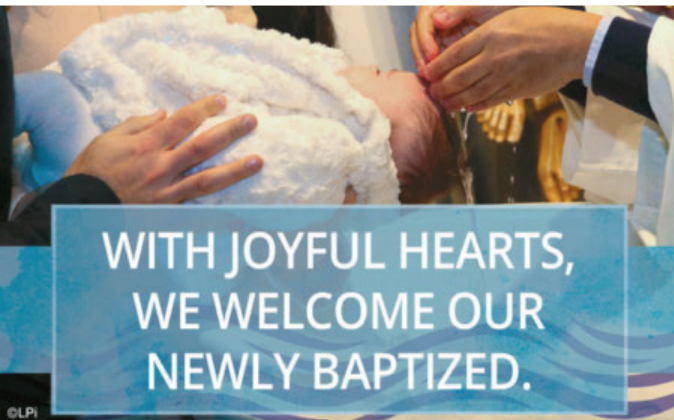
We will open our Adoration Chapel on Saturdays, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, and on Sundays, 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm, beginning the weekend of January 15-16, 2022.

We are especially in need of adorers to spend an hour with Jesus for the following hours:

- Saturdays: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Sundays: 2:00 - 3:00 pm
- Sundays: 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Substitute adorers are also needed for weekly adorers who can't meet there scheduled commitment due to travel, unforeseen emergencies, etc.

To sign up or for more information, please contact Agnes: 303.638.6301 or lillescolorado@msn.com



Maverick, Noah, Olivia,
Myles, Jermaine, Leonardo,
Madison, Artemio



AROUND THE PARISH



Parish Office Closed

In observance of New Year, the Parish Office will be closed:

**Friday, December 31, 2021
to
Monday, January 3, 2022**

Plants for Our Parish

Help beautify our campus! We are asking for donations of plants and greenery for our parish grounds.

For more information, contact frpeter@holyspiritfremont.org or 510.797.1660 ext. 206.

Flower Fund

We are accepting donations towards floral arrangements for our church sanctuary. You may drop off your donation at the Parish Office or send by mail.

For information or special requests such as dates, colors, or events (e.g., anniversary, birthday, memorial, etc.), please text Judy Young at 510.378.1933.

Walk for Life West Coast January 22, 2022

Join us in San Francisco for the 18th Annual Walk for Life West Coast.

As in years past, we will be hiring a bus to transport parishioners to San Francisco. Please contact dnrigo@holyspiritfremont.org to reserve your spot.

More details to come.

Parish Office

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9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sundays
9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Parish Gift Shop

Sundays
8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Parish Library

Sundays
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