



SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

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Parish Office Hours:  
Monday—Friday  
8:30 a.m.—12:00 Noon  
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1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

**The Parish Office will be closed  
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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO  
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PARTICIPATED IN THE  
MATCHING CHALLENGE FOR  
CHRISTMAS!

Your response has been tremendous! Processing all of the data will take some time and bulletin submission deadlines are quite lengthy during this holiday season, but we hope to be able to report results in the bulletin soon.

Thank you once again for providing extra support during this wonderful time of giving from the heart.

***Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.***  
**Luke 6:38**

**PLEASE NOTE:** We are experiencing difficulties with My Own Church and exporting donations to contribution statements, but are working closely with Parishsoft to resolve the issues. We fully expect to have the problem solved in order to meet the deadline of January 31, 2022, for mailing contribution statements. Rest assured that your contributions are being received and allocated to the proper fund. Thank you for understanding.



The DSF Fund Appeal for 2021 closes December 31st. In order to apply to this year's campaign and be included in tax exemption amounts for the year, all donations must be dated no later than December 31st **and received by the Chancery Office by January 7, 2022.** If you have not made a contribution for 2021 and wish to do so, please send your gift directly downtown to: Diocesan Services Fund  
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Pre-addressed DSF envelopes are available in the Narthex.

Due to scheduling, we cannot process funds donated payable to the parish and have them apply to 2021 past those already received: we apologize for the inconvenience. Thank you to all who have participated in this year's 'Walk in the Light of Christ' campaign.



### MASS

**Wednesday**

8:30 AM & 6:30 PM

**Thursday**

8:30 AM

**Friday**

8:30 AM

Anointing of the Sick after Mass on Friday

**Saturday**

5:00 PM English

(First Saturday Mass resumes in February)

**Sunday**

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM English

12:00 PM Spanish

### RECONCILIATION

**In the Parish Hall**

**Thursday**

5:00 PM—6:00 PM

### ADORATION

**Thursday after Mass until 7:00 PM**

### PATRIOTIC ROSARY

**Thursday—7:00 PM**

**The Parish Office will be closed  
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# Mass INTENTIONS

## Masses This Weekend

January 1—2, 2022:

Sat 01/01 10:00 AM ~ People of St. Anne Parish  
12:00 PM ~ People of St. Anne Parish  
No 5:00 PM Vigil

Sun 01/02 8:00 AM ~ People of St. Anne Parish  
Sun 01/02 10:00 AM ~ People of St. Anne Parish  
Sun 01/02 12:00 PM ~ People of St. Anne Parish

## Weekday Masses

Wed 01/05 8:30 AM Mass—Lowell King✠  
6:30 PM ~ People of St. Anne Parish

Thur 01/06 8:30 AM ~ Joseph Melia Sr.✠

Fri 01/07 8:30 AM—Lilliana Milaresi✠

## Upcoming Weekend Masses

January 8-9:

Sat 01/08 5:00 PM ~ Emil Hermis✠

Sun 01/09 8:00 AM ~ Dorothy Mae Mazyn.✠  
Sun 01/09 10:00 AM ~ People of St. Anne Parish  
Sun 01/09 12:00 PM ~ Emelina Guillén



*St. Anne, pray for us.*

O St. Anne,  
you are my spiritual grandmother.

Please pray for me!

I come to you today  
knowing that you know what it's like  
to wait on God to answer  
your heart's greatest desires.

I come to you today  
Asking that you will ask God  
to grant my petition  
the way that He granted yours.

I ask that you pray, St. Anne,  
to ask Our Lord to have  
mercy and favor on me.

Please pray for *our Mass Intentions*.

But most of all,  
please pray that I may be open to God's will  
the way that you were,  
and that I will be able to wait  
with patience, perseverance in faith and hope,  
and with absolute trust  
in the Lord's plan for me.

Amen.



## ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST



## ADORATION AWARENESS

**"COME TO ME, ALL YOU WHO LABOR AND ARE BURDENED,  
AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST."**

– MATTHEW 11:28

"Consider the humble sacrifice that the shepherds and the three Wise Men made in their long journey to adore the Christ Child. Only the humble shepherds and the wise astrologers followed the star of faith to Bethlehem. He was the King, much greater than they were. .... When they saw Him, they bowed down before Him. Where was the rest of the world? .... The rest of the world passed Him by.... Jesus comes to us even more humbly than He did before. That is why your sacrifice will give God even greater glory than the glory given Him by the shepherds and the three Wise Men. And God will honor you even more than the shepherds and the three Wise Men for all eternity for honoring His Son in the Blessed Sacrament with the humility of your sacrifice!"

- from the pamphlet "The Value of Sacrifice"

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Thursdays (in the church), after the 8:30 AM Mass - 7:00 PM.

Patriotic Rosary - after the Blessed Sacrament is reposed at 7:00 PM.

**More adorers are needed  
and are always welcome.**

Adoration is available for all at the scheduled times. If you would like to sign up for a weekly Hour of adoration, please contact:

Rosalie Melia - [rtcmelia@gmail.com](mailto:rtcmelia@gmail.com)

Marty Lang – [mmmjlang@gmail.com](mailto:mmmjlang@gmail.com)



El grupo de AMSIF reanuda sus reuniones a partir del Jueves 6 de Enero 2022. De 9:30am-12:30pm. Las esperamos!!!

AMSIF group will resume meetings on Thursday January 6th, 2022. From 9:30am-12:30pm.



CCE classes resume  
Sunday, January 9, 2022.



Children's Liturgy resumes  
Sunday, January 9, 2022.

### ST. ANNE YOUTH MINISTRY Jr. High & High School

The Spring Semester of Youth Group for the Catechetical Year of 2021—2022 starts January 12th, continuing through May 11th.

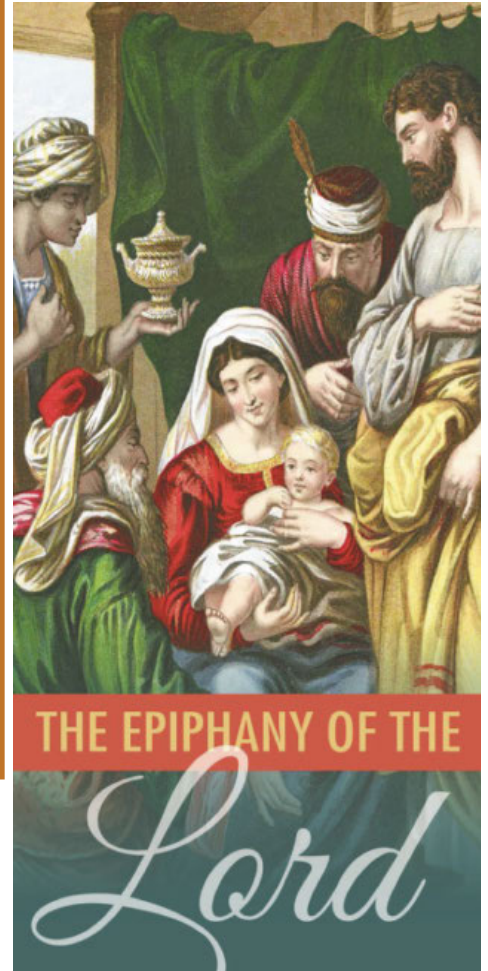
Please direct inquiries to our Adore Ministry Coordinator, Ivana Zavala at [ivana@adoreministries.com](mailto:ivana@adoreministries.com).

CONGRATULATIONS to Ivana for graduating Summa Cum Laude on December 18th!

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2022

- 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



*Wise men still seek him. . .*

### 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)

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### REFLECT

#### 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:

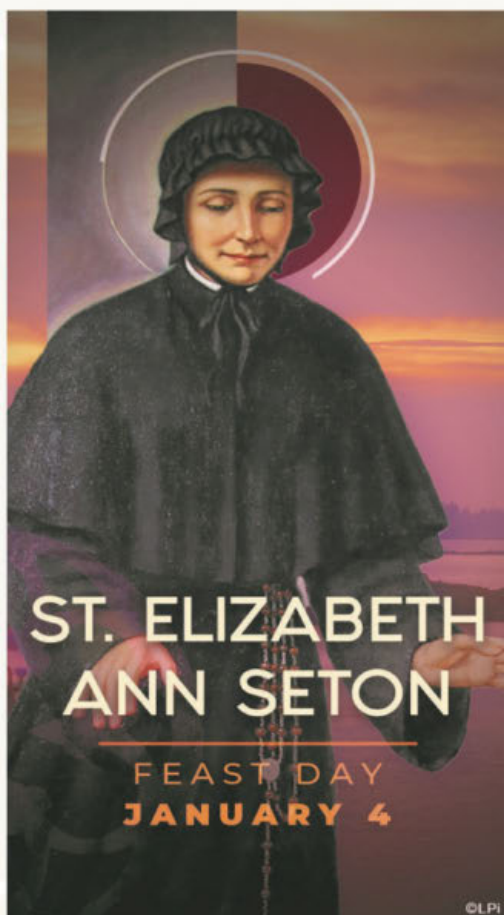
It was revealed to Paul that God intended to save all people (Jews and Gentiles) through his Son, Jesus Christ. Paul tried to convey the significance of this revelation to the Ephesians by using the language of “coheirs” and “copartners.” **What does this language signal to you?**

#### 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?**

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## Saint of the Week

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

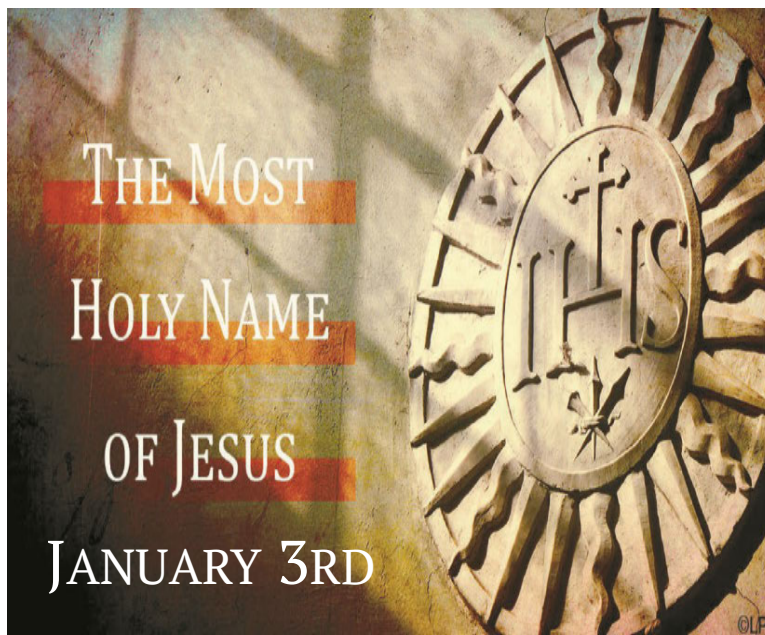


*With all my heart, I thank everyone for the wonderful cards, gifts, and goodies I and my family (Bandit and Charlie) received for Christmas and the Anniversary of my Ordination. Your expressions of kindness and appreciation made my holidays so very special! I am humbled by your thoughtfulness and generosity and thank our God for each of you.*

*May your days always be bright and happy as you have made mine.*

*With gratitude and all best wishes for the coming year to all,*

*Yours in service,  
Fr. Tommy  
Bandit & Charlie*

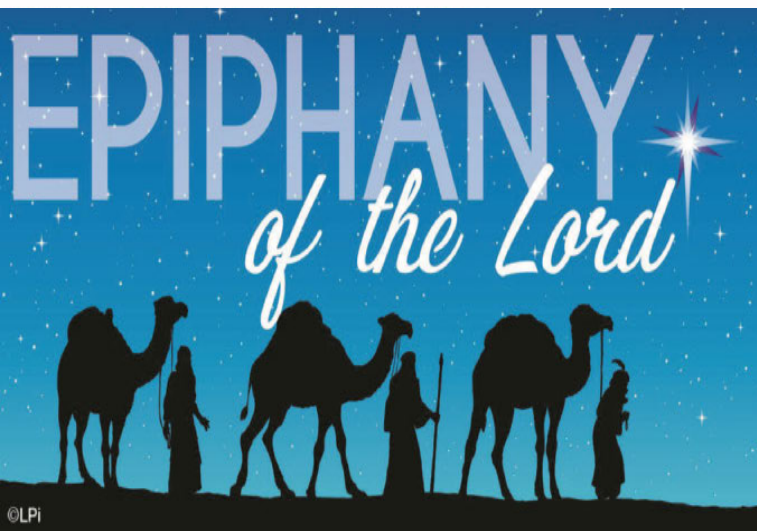
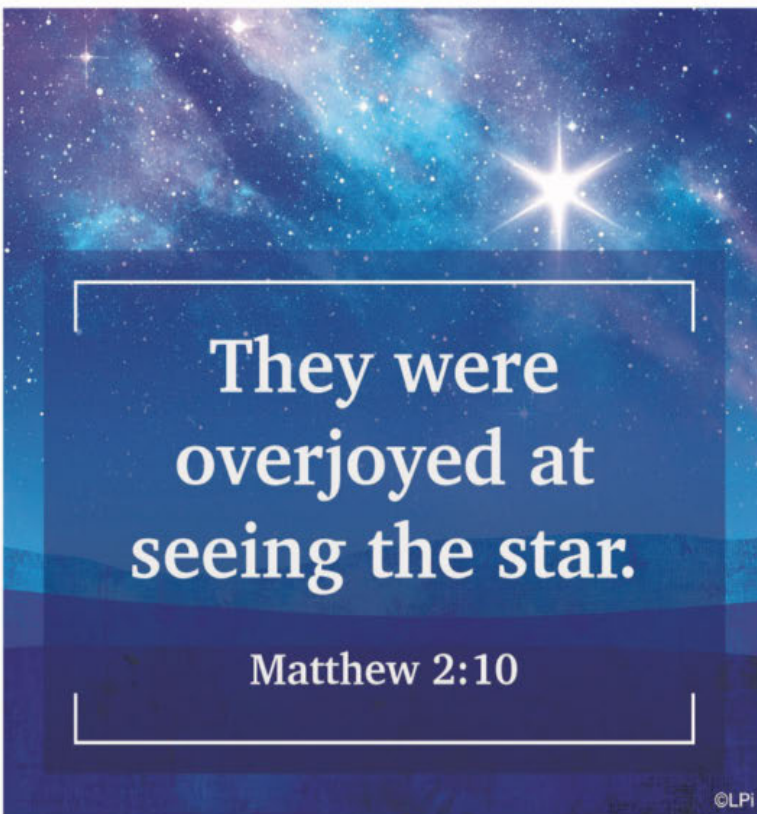




# LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

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.



EPIPHANY





## Update to Pandemic Protocols for Liturgical celebrations from His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Since the local pandemic situation has continued to improve, Cardinal DiNardo has announced the following liturgical directives which will take effect on Sunday, January 2, 2022, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord:

### General Dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day Mass Obligation

This dispensation is removed for all Catholics within the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. The faithful should fulfill their Sunday and Holy Day obligations joyfully and conscientiously.

Please be mindful that, the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday or Holy Days of Obligation is not morally binding for those who find it impossible to attend Mass, such as, due to illness, advanced age, caring for a sick person, or being at high-risk for contracting COVID-19. These persons should fulfill their obligations through some act of prayer or meditation upon the sacred scriptures for the Mass of the day.

### Reception of the Precious Blood from a Common Chalice

For the time being, the suspension of receiving the Precious Blood from a common chalice remains in effect.

### Holy Water

Holy Water will once again be available in fonts here at St. Anne within the next week or so. As a courtesy to one another, all are encouraged to sanitize their hands before using the holy water font. While the Holy Water will be replenished frequently, please use your own discretion when availing yourself of Holy Water from the font.

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### Espanól:

Dado que la situación de la pandemia local ha seguido mejorando, las siguientes directivas litúrgicas que tornarán efecto el domingo 2 de enero de 2022, la solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor:

### Dispensación general de la obligación de la misa dominical y de días de precepto

Dispensación se elimina para todos los católicos dentro de la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston. Los fieles deben cumplir con sus obligaciones dominicales y de días de precepto con alegría y conciencia.

La obligación de asistir a misa el domingo o un día de precepto no es moralmente vinculante para aquellos a quienes les resulta imposible asistir a misa, por ejemplo, debido a enfermedad, edad avanzada, cuidado de una persona enferma o alto riesgo de contraer COVID-19.

### Recepción de la Preciosa Sangre de un cáliz común

Por el momento sigue vigente la suspensión de recibir la Preciosa Sangre de un cáliz común.

### Agua bendita

Restaurado el uso del agua bendita en nuestras Iglesias. Como cortesía entre sí, se anima a todas a desinfectarse las manos antes de usar la fuente de agua bendita.

*Thank You*

*Gracias*

# Kids Corner

READ THE  
GOSPEL &  
COLOR



The Three Wise Men told Herod about a King being born. Herod was jealous. He did not want another king to be more powerful than he. Herod told them to come back and tell him where the baby was. They thought Herod was truly interested in Jesus. After they gave him their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, an angel warned them, "Go back a different way. Herod wants to kill the baby Jesus."

## PRAYER

Lord, give me the power to help others, not harm them.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will do three favors to help someone in my family today.




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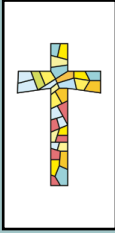


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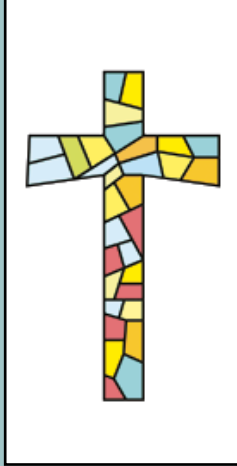
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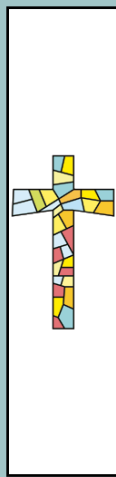
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