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EPIPHANY CELEBRATES CHURCH'S CATHOLICITY - Pope John Paul II

1. "Arise, shine out Jerusalem, for your light has come. The glory of the Lord is rising on you" (Is 60:1). The prophet Isaiah turns his gaze to the future. He is not looking so much at the secular future, but, enlightened by the Spirit, he directs his gaze to the fullness of time, to the fulfillment of God's plan in the messianic age.

The prediction uttered by the prophet concerns the Holy City, which he sees brightly shining: "Though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples, above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears" (Is 60:2). This is exactly what happened with the incarnation of the Word of God. With him 'the true light that enlightens every man came into the world' (Jn 1:9). From now on everyone's destiny will be decided by whether he accepts or rejects this light: for the life of men is found in him (cf. Jn 1:4).

2. Today the light that appeared on Christmas extends its rays: it is the light of God's epiphany. It is no longer only the shepherds of Bethlehem who see and follow it; it is also the Magi Kings, who came to Jerusalem from the East to adore the newborn King (cf. Mt 2: 1-12). With the Magi came the nations, which began their journey to the divine Light.

Today the Church celebrates this saving Epiphany by listening to the description of it in Matthew's Gospel. The well-known account of the Magi, who came from the East in search of the One who was to be born, has always inspired popular piety as well becoming a traditional part of the crib. Epiphany is both an event and a symbol. The event is described in detail by the Evangelist. The symbolic meaning, however, was gradually discovered as the Church reflected more and more on the event and celebrated it liturgically.

3. After 2,000 years, wherever Epiphany is celebrated, the Ecclesial Community draws from this precious liturgical and spiritual tradition ever new points for reflection. Here in Rome, in accordance with a custom to which I have wanted to remain faithful since the beginning of my Pontificate, we celebrate this mystery by consecrating new Bishops. It is a tradition that has its own intrinsic theological and pastoral eloquence, and today we joyfully introduce it into the third millennium.

Dear Brothers who will shortly be consecrated, you come from various nations and represent the universality of the Church which adores the Word made flesh for our salvation. Thus the words of the responsorial psalm are fulfilled: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Our liturgical assembly expresses this catholic nature of the Church in a remarkable way, thanks also to you, dear Bishops-elect. For around you are gathered in spirit the faithful from various parts of the world to whom you have been sent as successors of the Apostles. Be ever mindful of the grace of this Epiphany day! May the light of Christ always shine in your hearts and your pastoral ministry.

5. Today's liturgy urges us to be joyful. There is a reason for this: the light that shone from the Christmas star to lead the Magi from the East to Bethlehem continues to guide all the peoples and nations of the world on the same journey. Let us give thanks for the men and women who have made this journey during the past 2,000 years. Let us praise Christ, Lumen gentium, who guided them and continues to guide the nations down the path of history!

To him, the Lord of time, God from God, light from Light, we confidently address our prayer. May his star, the Epiphany star, continually shine in our hearts, showing to individuals and nations the way of truth, love and peace in the third millennium. Amen.

Pastor's Column – THE FEAST OF THE Epiphany

FROM THE
Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends in Christ,

We continue to celebrate the great feast of the Nativity of the Lord for eight days which we call the *Octave of Christmas*. We continue to celebrate during the remainder of the Christmas Season which lasts until the feast of *The Baptism of the Lord*. So, it is appropriate to continue to proclaim "Merry Christmas!!!"

This weekend we celebrate *The Feast of the Epiphany*. The Magi have arrived in Bethlehem to welcome and give homage to **the newborn King of the Jews**. The book *The Gospel of Matthew: A Catholic Commentary* points out the dichotomy among the nobility and learned of the day when we realize that Magi from a foreign land seek out the child to celebrate His birth while Herod **assembled all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, ... [and] inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born**. Matthew will tell us later in his Gospel that **When Herod realized that he had been deceived by the magi, he became furious. He ordered the massacre of all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had ascertained from the magi.** (Matthew 2:16)

It should be noted that Herod, even though he was recognized as king of Galilee, was the fourth king of the Herodian Dynasty. None of the Herodian kings were Israelites. Rather they were Edomites who trace their lineage all the way back to Esau, the son of Issac and twin brother of Jacob. The Herodian kings were kept in power over Israelites by the Roman emperors. It is for this reason that Herod would want to bring an end to the newborn King of the Jews for such a king would threaten his own authority and kingship.

What is shocking however, is that the Scribes and the Pharisees, religious leaders of the Jewish people, cooperated with Herod to try and ascertain the whereabouts of the birth of the Messiah King. All of this foreshadows what will later happen when Jesus would eventually be handed over to be crucified: **Then the chief priests and the elders of the people assembled in the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, and they consulted together to arrest Jesus by treachery and put him to death.** (Matthew 25:2-4)

What we should realize about all of this is that the Lord's plan for our salvation had never been thwarted. Furthermore, Jesus warned that the Church would face many calamities and persecutions:

"See that no one deceives you. ... You will hear of wars and reports of wars; see that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen, but it will not yet be the end. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be famines and earthquakes from place to place. All these are the beginning of the labor pains. Then they will hand you over to persecution, and they will kill you. You will be hated by all nations because of my name. And then many will be led into sin; they will betray and hate one another. Many false prophets will arise and deceive many; and because of the increase of evil-doing, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved." (Matthew 24:4-13)

We find strength to persevere when, like the Magi, we draw near to Christ. Jesus, born of the Virgin, still abides with us, especially in the Eucharist, and helps us to endure with Him as we struggle with the pandemic and cultural trends that threaten the family and the Church.

Grace and hope be with you all.

Rev. Thomas I. Ward

MASS SCHEDULE WEEKEND

Saturday at **4:00PM** and also *livestreamed* at
(st.daniel.com and Facebook St. Daniel Church of
Lyncourt)

Sunday at **9:15 and 12:15**

DAILY

6:50 a.m. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

8:30 a.m. SATURDAY

(When you see PRIVATE Mass in Mass Schedule, this means that a priest is offering Mass for that intention at another location than St. Daniel. This is a temporary necessity because of lack of priests.)

ROSARY

Rosary before mass on the weekends.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Saturday of each month at the 8:30 am Mass.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

HOURS THE CHURCH IS OPEN

Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 3:00 pm and before each Mass on Sunday.

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HAPPY NATIONAL JOYGERM DAY-January 8th

From Saint Daniel Parish Office

CHURCH SUPPORT

I have been asked about church support during this time made difficult by the pandemic. By keeping our yearly pledges made three years ago our finances will be stable. Many thanks to the parishioners who sent in their contributions this week. We are deeply appreciative. Please do whatever you can at this difficult time. We encourage you to use online giving go to stdaniel.weshareonline.org

If you wish you can mail your offering envelopes to us at 3004 Court St. Syracuse NY 13208. rectory. Thank you for your generosity!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

MASKS are required at Mass, parish meetings and events and in all buildings until January 15th. Please stay safe!

Father Ward's Tuesday 6pm Catechesis class, on the book discussion of **RESCUED** will resume January 11, 2022.



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Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse March for Life - January 20-21, 2022

**March for Life One Day Pilgrimage for Adults & Families
Friday, January 21, 2022**

Join this one-day pilgrimage to Washington, DC for adults and families! This trip includes Mass with Bishop Lucia at the National Basilica, participation in the March for Life with the diocesan group, transportation, meals and a diocesan scarf.

The bus will pick up passengers on January 20th in four locations, Utica @10:00pm, Syracuse @ 11:00pm, Cortland @ 11:30pm and Binghamton at 12:00am on Friday, January 21st. Cost: Adults \$50. Young Adults (18-25) \$25. Maximum Family Rate: \$125. **For more information, contact Jen Brown at 315-472-6754 Ext. 7 or email familyrepsectlife@syrdio.org to register online go to march4lifesyracuse2022.eventbrite.com**

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Prayer Line~ Call the Rectory at 315-454-4946 and we will contact the members of the prayer line. 

Wisdom People~ St. Daniel's Senior Citizens group (Meetings are normally the 1st Friday of the month following the 12:10 Mass. No meetings currently scheduled. Please stay safe.

World Marriage Day
Mass and Reception
Sunday, February 13th 2022 2:00PM
The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Celebrant~ Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia

 Epiphany of the Lord – January 2, 2022

“They prostrated themselves and did him homage.” The magi not only brought Christ gifts, they also brought themselves and worshiped. What part of you is Christ asking you to leave at his feet, in worship?

Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

✠ MASS SCHEDULE ✠

Intentions for private 12:10 Masses are being satisfied by priests at other places.

SATURDAY January 1

Mary Mother of God
 9:15 a.m. Special Intentions
 12:15 p.m. Special Intentions

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

SUNDAY January 2
 9:15 a.m. People of Saint Daniel

12:15 p.m. Richard Kline-Dcn. Joseph & Diane Celentano

MONDAY January 3

Christmas Weekday
 6:50 a.m. Helen & Joseph Kuczynski-Sr.
 Barbara Kuczynski
 Private Mass*Jennie F. Seibt-Elizabeth Picciotto

TUESDAY January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 6:50 a.m. The Agrippino Estate-Mary Mangino Estate
 Private Mass*Carmen & Elizabeth Placito-Granddaughter

WEDNESDAY January 5

St. John Neumann
 6:50 a.m. Roxanne Mcaloon Compoli-Family
 Private Mass*Rose Epolito-Gilda

THURSDAY January 6

Christmas Weekday
 6:50a.m. Souls in Purgatory-All Souls offering
 Private Mass*Fr. John M Quinn

FRIDAY January 7

Christmas Weekday
 6:50 a.m. Rose Epolito –Elizabeth Placito Picciotto
 4:00p.m. Wisdom People

SATURDAY January 8

Christmas Weekday
 8:30a.m. National Joygerm day 41st Anniversary
 4:00pm Deceased members of Matott family-family

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SUNDAY January 9
 9:15a.m. People of Saint Daniel

12:15p.m. Robert Conine-Maryanne & Ed McGuire

VOTIVE CANDLES
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**Family Faith Formation
 Grades K-6**

Our Family Faith Formation Program is set up into a Four (4) Week program. Next Event is Jan. 23rd Community Gathering

Week 1– Catechetical Sunday: Next week 1 is Jan. 30th
 Parents & Children gather for Mass at the 9:15am. Following Mass, Fr. Ward will speak to the parents on the theme they will be teaching in Weeks 2 & 3 at home. Children will go to class with the teachers.

Week 2- Jan. 9th Home Study with the Parents
Week 3– Jan. 16th Home Study with the Parents.

Week 4– Jan. 23rd Community Gathering:
 Parents & Children gather for Mass at 9:15am. After Mass they will celebrate a fun activity that is centered on a theme based on the Liturgical Calendar of the Church: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, etc.

First Sacraments

Children preparing for First Sacraments will also meet in the School of Religion on Weeks 2 & 3 to meet the Diocesan Sacramental Prep requirements. *(This is in addition to doing the Home family study lesson).*

Next sacramental class is Jan. 9th
Sat. Jan. 29th First Sacrament Activity session 9-11a.m.
Father Lyons Hall

Pre-Confirmation- Meets on Sundays at 10:30am.
NO CLASSES Jan. 2nd
Jan. 9~Father Lyons Hall
Jan. 16~Father Lyons Hall

Confirmation 1 & 2- Meets on Sundays at 11:00am.
NO CLASSES Jan. 2nd
Jan. 9~Father Lyons Hall
Jan. 16~Father Lyons Hall

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Those desiring to learn about the Catholic Faith with an interest in becoming Catholic or those wanting to be confirmed, please contact:
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