

The Anselmeter

January 3, 2021

St. Anselm Parish



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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"Where is that thing?" mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. "I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!" Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, "Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear." The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was." The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God's tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God's salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God's healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!

PARISH THEME

"In order to promote individual and parish growth, St. Anselm parish is a welcoming Catholic community committed to serving Christ through:

- the celebration of the sacraments (especially the Eucharist),
- outreach initiatives to individuals,
- life long education resulting in the transfer of the truths and practice of our faith to our youth."

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 4

8:30 a.m. +Julia Urban by her friend

Wednesday, January 6

8:30 a.m. + Peter J. Moloney Sr.

Friday, January 8

9:00 a.m. +Dan P. O’Kray by his family and friends

Saturday, January 9

4:30 p.m. +Richard Massey (5th Ann) by his wife, Marilyn

Sunday, January 10

10:00 a.m. The People of St. Anselm

12:00 p.m. +John Camilleri by his family



THIS WEEK

Saturday, January 2

4:30 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 3

10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

12:00 p.m. Sunday Mass

Monday, January 4

8:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Wednesday, January 6

8:30 a.m. Daily Mass

Friday, January 8

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Saturday, January 9

4:30 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 10

10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

12:00 p.m. Sunday Mass

*Rosary is recited after all
8:30 a.m. daily Mass*

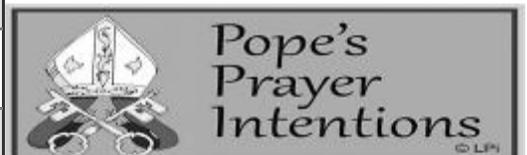
OVERFLOW

As more people are returning to church we have to anticipate the safety concerns when it comes to our parishioners with social distancing. With that said we want to let you know that we have audio in the Parish Meeting Room for all of our masses. We can let people squeeze into pews when we still have to adhere to social distancing.

Masks are a MUST!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE JANUARY 9 & 10

	4:30 PM SAT. VIGIL	10:00 AM SUN.	12:00 NOON SUN
LECTORS	S. Mizzi	D. Jennings	L, Gutierrez
LAY MINISTERS	G. Schira	G. Schira	G. Schira
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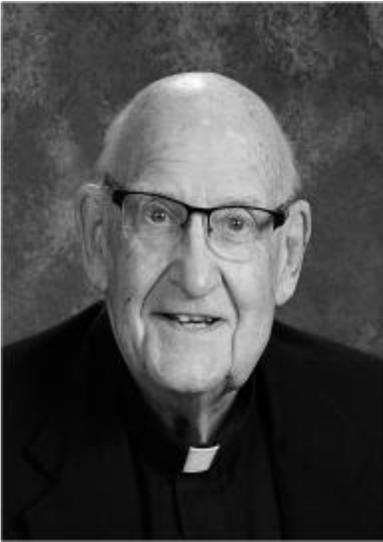


JANUARY

Human Fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

OF MANY THINGS



This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord that is traditionally observed twelve days after Christmas Day.

In most of the European and Latin American countries this is the day when gifts are given to our family members and loved ones. This is done in imitation of the gifts that the Magi from the East presented to the new born child in Bethlehem.

For us it is a day that we stop to give thanks to God the Father for the gift of his Son who came to live with us and show us the way to his Kingdom. Today God tells us that He loves us and waits for us to respond with the same expression of affection.

As we begin the new calendar year, let us not forget that our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has asked us to celebrate a Holy Year of Mercy. As Catholics we have been asked to 1) Go beyond the continuous practice of conflict 2) To become missionaries (reach out) of mercy 3) To seek forgiveness for God and one another, and 4) to delve into the scriptures..

The practice of Mercy is much more than giving a dollar to people selling newspapers on the corner or buying a tootsie role. It means doing something that nobody else wants to do.

He has suggested that if we do the latter only once this year you have done well. The other practices of mercy extends to arguing at the dinner table to the dropping of bombs on innocent people. It means that we teach others, especially our children the need for kindness and patience with each other—no bullying. It means that each night before bed we make an act of contrition asking God for forgiveness and in the morning reminding ourselves of who we should be kinder to an asking forgiveness if needed.

Finally it means at least once a week we read from the Sacred Scriptures—not just the verses, but the introduction to each book found in most bibles and carefully examining the footnotes on the bottom of the page.

God bless you all and may the Lord keep you and your family safe at this time.

Msgr. Moloney

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:
TBD at a later date

BAPTISMS

For information call
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WEDDINGS

Please call ahead,
at least six months for
weddings.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:
4:30 pm
Sunday:
10:00 am and 12:00 pm

WEEKDAY

Monday, Wednesday and
Friday
8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

8:30 am & 5:30 pm

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LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC)

A reading from the Book of Prophet Isaiah

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth,
and thick clouds cover the peoples;
but upon you the LORD shines,
and over you appears his glory.
Nations shall walk by your light,
and kings by your shining radiance.

Raise your eyes and look about;
they all gather and come to you:

your sons come from afar,
and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see,
your heart shall throb and overflow,
for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you,
the wealth of nations shall be brought to you.

Caravans of camels shall fill you,
dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;
all from Sheba shall come

bearing gold and frankincense,
and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

R.(cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son;

He shall govern your people with justice
and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Justice shall flower in his days,
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.
May he rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,
and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.

He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;
the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. 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 co-heirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Matthew 2:2

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

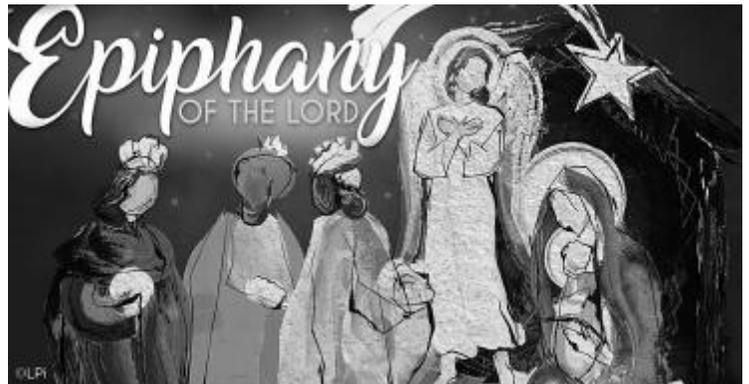
+Glory to you, O Lord.

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." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

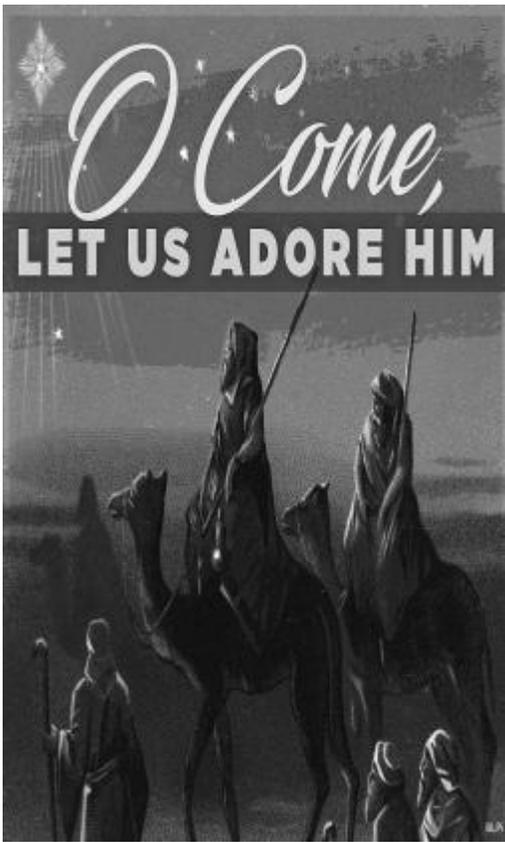
The Apostles' Creed can be found on the next page!



Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen.



Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

NEW FOOD REQUEST

We are going to continue to assist St. Sabina in their food pantry endeavors. Below is the list of items that they can use:

Potatoes (boxed or canned), canned vegetables, soups, canned fruit, canned or packaged proteins (chicken, tuna, spam, etc) canned fruit, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise.. Items currently in need is boxed Cereal, jelly, peanut butter canned meats.

Please place all food donations for St. Sabina in the grey food collection bin in the church vestibule.

If you have any questions or concerns please call the rectory at 313-565-4808.



PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

If you would like to enroll, change your address, or simply have questions about our parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Church office: 17650 West Outer Drive, Dearborn Heights, 48127.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone and Email: _____

- ◇ I would like to enroll as an active parishioner.
- ◇ Please change my address to the one shown above.
- ◇ I would like to learn more about school/parish activities
- ◇ I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- ◇ I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
 the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
 our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy
 Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;
 on the third day he rose again from
 the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of
 God the Father almighty;
 from there he will come to judge
 the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting.

Amen.

FAITH FORMATION

New Year's Resolution?

In the Detroit Catholic Digest for December 16, 2020, it challenged all in the Archdiocese of Detroit to "Read the Bible in a year" as a challenge! What an interesting New Year's Resolution! I wonder...how many of us could accept that challenge and actually fulfill it for this year 2021? If you say...I don't have a Bible at home...it might be a good time to go shopping for one. There are many Bibles to be found (don't choose the King James version, too many "thee's" and "thou's"). For great Bible recommendations, go to the USCCB.org website. There is a "Bible" section. There are many approved Bibles on that list. There are Bibles available in the Parish Library in the back of church, that you may borrow. It is also a good idea to join Bible Study group. (We have excellent Bible study groups, here at St. Anselm!) If a face-to-face group is not possible, maybe there is a virtual one you may join. Always make sure that it is a good Catholic interpretation study. Bishop Robert Barron might be a good one to look up on the internet. Fr. Mike Schmitz has interesting sessions on u-tube you might look into.

So, how about seriously taking this challenge as your New Year's Resolution for 2021?

Can't I Understand the Bible On My Own?

Though God's Word is addressed to each of us, it comes to us through God's people, the Church. If I read the Bible apart from God's people, I increase my odds of misreading it. Let me serve up an analogy. Imagine you've been given a large amount of money to buy a bike and start picking out a frame, tires, derail-leurs and some of those cool biker shorts. You may think you are all set to go, but there's one essential thing the friendly bicycle shop folks can't sell you: the skill to ride the thing. That you must learn. The Bible, like the bike shop, has everything we need in it except the knack of how to understand it. The larger story of our ancestors' lives of faith, their memory of mistakes and wrong turns, and the way the Holy Spirit has guided them to truth through it all, Catholics call Tradition (Note the capital "T". That distinguishes it from the "just how we do it here" customs that change through time.) It's God's revealed truth—entrusted to the Church's safekeeping—that helps us live in holiness and grow in faith, handed on not only in the Bible but also in creeds, liturgy, Church statements and the witness of great souls. Remember what Saint Peter warned—"There is no prophecy of scripture that is a matter of personal interpretation" (2 Peter 1:20)—so save yourself a good deal of confusion and personal awkwardness by reading the Scriptures with the Church.

Thought For The Year!



peace of mind. To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet. To make all your friends feel that there is something in them. To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true. To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best. To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own. To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future. To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile. To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others. To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear and too happy to permit the presence of trouble."

There's nothing that cheers the soul like a positive promise made—and kept—to yourself. Doesn't that sound like a great New Year's Resolution?

I found this wonderful verse that should be on every Christian's mirror so they can read it first thing every morning and last thing every night. It deals with the worries of life and was written by Christian D. Larson. (check out his first name!)

"To be so strong that nothing can disturb your

UNLEASHING THE GOSPEL

This was taken from 52Sundays 2021:

FAMILYPRAYER

Submitted by: Frederick Family from St. Colette, Livonia
Epiphany House Blessing

This ceremony of the blessing of the home and the inscription of the initials of the three Magi above each door can be performed by the head of the family or another designated family member. Have some chalk on hand in preparation for the prayer.

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial. The star burned like a flame, pointing the way to God, the King of kings. The wise men saw the sign and brought their gifts in homage to their great King. Lord, bless this chalk, and let it be a help to our family. Let us use it with faith in your most holy name, and with it inscribe on the doors of their homes the names of your saints, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, may through their merits and intercession enjoy health in body and protection of soul; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: O Lord, Almighty God, bless our home that it may become a shelter of health, chastity, humility, goodness, mercy, obedience to the commandments, and thanksgiving to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. May your blessing come upon this house, those who live here, and those who visit, through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

After the prayers of the blessing are recited, inscribe the initials of the Magi upon the main entrance of your home as indicated below:

20 + C + M + B + 21

The initials, C, M, B, can also be interpreted as the Latin phrase - Christus mansionem benedicat - which means "Christ bless this house." The plus signs represent the cross, and the numbers in the beginning and end mark the year.

Leader: Let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us. Our Father . .

All: Amen



YOUTH GROUP

By Marcia Santostasi

Happy New Year to all of our St. Anselm Parish Community, and welcome back to Youth Group.

ATTENTION! We want to remind our students~We Need You: All 9-12th grade In-Parish and surrounding Parish students, please join us at our upcoming meetings. We are also extending the invitation to all 8th grade students as well.

Youth Group usually meets twice a month on Sunday evenings for Service Projects and Fellowship. Generally, we meet from 6-730p, where we work on our project and then follow up with a meal together as a group. Another highlight of membership is when we are able, the 9-12th graders can attend the CYO Rainbow Conference and the 8th graders can attend the CYO WIND Conference. Both take place once a year. We will also host a few non-service, fun events like a Scavenger Hunt, or Reindeer Games, if we have active participants.

Please note, YG attendance isn't mandatory, but you can earn required service hours for attending. However, when you show up on a regular basis you get to know students who may not go to the school you attend, and new friendships are formed. Additionally, we follow the school calendar throughout the year, from September through June, so you get that needed time off in the summer to work or go on vacation.

Finally, last year we graduated 10 very active seniors, so we are looking to rebuild our membership. Service Projects will go on whether we have two students in attendance or 15. So remember, we **NEED YOU** and you are always welcome to bring a friend.

If 8th grade parents or parents of high schoolers have any questions, feel free to contact one of the adult leaders at the numbers listed at the end of this article.

The mission of the St. Anselm Youth Group is to do service for our parish and community, and needed service hours for high school can be earned. This is a great opportunity for our parish high school students to stay involved and participate in our Church, truly live their faith and lend a helping hand to others. Also remember, while attendance isn't mandatory, it is encouraged. You will meet new friends and get reacquainted with old ones. It's never too late, simply join us for the first time or we welcome you back anytime at an upcoming meeting. Be sure to get a fill out a Registration Form as this will add you to our Group Text Message List, and stay tuned to this weekly bulletin article for current events and updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 10, 2021: Tentative Service Project, 6-730p.
- Jan. 24: Tentative Service Project, 6-730p
- Feb. 7: Service Project
- Feb. 21: Service Project

Area Events:

Dec,2020-Jan, 2021: AMVETS Americanism Contest: Open to students in grades K-12 who attend Public, Private, Parochial Schools, are Home Schooled, or are members of a Youth Group or Faith-based organization are eligible to participate. The divisions include:

- AMVETS Americanism Flag Coloring Contest** for K and 1st grades.
- AMVETS Americanism Poster Contest** for 2-5th grades.
- AMVETS Americanism Essay Contest** for 6-12th grades.

Parish students can contact Kim Cwiek or Marcia Santostasi for more information. For more specifics on the program, please visit AMVETS.org/ Americanism.

For more info regarding Youth Group, please contact one of the adult leaders: Marcia Santostasi @313-277-3844 or msantostasi@saintanselmschool.org, or Kim Cwiek @313-565-4808 or kim.c@saintanselmparish.org.

BULLETIN ITEMS?

Bulletin announcements are due in the Parish office by 9:00 a.m. Mondays.

All flyers must be submitted in a JPEG format.

LAWN SERVICE/SNOW

Sam is offering snow removal services as well. If your interested please call him at the number below. Call of text Sam at 313-585-6603. Thank you!

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

WISE MEN
STAR
HEROD

MESSIAH
WORSHIP
EXCITED

GIFTS
WARNED
DREAM

U	W	A	R	N	E	D	E	K	O	E
J	I	N	E	G	A	J	W	I	N	G
A	S	U	T	O	F	I	O	S	A	I
N	E	X	C	I	T	E	D	U	D	F
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MISSION

Solve a puzzle together with your family. Work together like the wise men did.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021

SUN 1/03	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
MON 1/04	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
TUE 1/05	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44
WED 1/06	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
THR 1/07	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a
FRI 1/08	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16
SAT 1/09	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30
SUN 1/10	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

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
Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord

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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UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 17	Ash Wednesday
Apr 4	Easter Sunday
Apr 21	Feast of St. Anselm
Jun 2	Msgr.'s 65th Anniversary of Ordination
Jun 4	Fr. Peretto's 55th Anniversary of Ordination
Jun 4	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 5	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 6	*Fun Fair 2021
Jun 10	8th Grade Graduation
Jun 12	School Year Ends
Jun 18	Msgr.'s Birthday
Aug 2	Fr. Peretto's Birthday

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seniors, human decency, science, reason, and the respect for life until natural death. Call LIFESPAN at 734-422-6230 to become involved in efforts to protect elderly Americans. Happy New Year!



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More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect@aod.org.



EXPLORE THE GOSPEL

The Visit of the Magi

Matthew 2:1-12

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." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel. Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way

St. Philomena (January 10, 291 – August 10, 304) Feast Day August 11

It is said that St. Philomena revealed her story to three people who did not know one another and who resided in different parts of the world. These private revelations unveiled the story of St. Philomena's life in great detail and were amazingly identical accounts. One of the revelations came to Sister Maria Luisa di Gesu. St. Philomena came to her and told her she was the daughter of a Greek king who converted to Christianity. When Philomena was 13 years old, she took a vow of consecrated virginity. After her father took his family to Rome to make peace, Emperor Diocletian fell in love with Philomena. When she refused to marry him, she was repeatedly subjected to torture. Yet, in the midst of this torture, God continued to miraculously comfort her and heal her. This infuriated the Emperor who finally had her beheaded. St. Philomena said to Sister Maria Luisa di Gesu, "My soul took flight towards my heavenly Spouse, who placed me, with the crown of virginity and the palm of martyrdom, in a distinguished place among the elect. That day was so happy for me. . ."

The young virgin willingly traded her earthly life for heavenly salvation and continues her work today promoting the virtues of purity and sanctity among the world's youth and bringing the faithful closer to our Blessed Mother and Jesus Christ. Her name means "daughter of light" (Latin: *fila luminis*), and she is credited with countless miracles and intercessions since discovery of her tomb in the most ancient catacombs of St. Priscilla in Rome in 1802. St. Philomena

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- × What would it be like to encounter the baby Jesus?
- × To prostrate oneself is to lay flat on the ground, face down in reverence. Why was it appropriate and fitting for the Magi to worship Jesus in this way?
- × Like Herod in the Gospel and the Emperor Diocletian in the story of St. Philomena, sometimes people tempt us to do something wrong or against God's will. Share a time when you acted in a just way in spite of a temptation.
- × St. Philomena was committed to living a holy life. What are some of the challenges of living a holy life today?

FAMILY FUN - Paper Crowns

Make paper crowns for the whole family and wear them at dinner to celebrate the feast of the Epiphany!

Materials: × thin cardboard (poster board or old cereal boxes work well) × foil gift wrap or construction paper

× scissors × paint, crayons, or felt-tip pens × glue × stapler × optional: stickers, markers, glitter, shapes cut from construction paper

Instructions: Cut a strip of cardboard 3 or 4 inches wide and long enough to go around each person's head and overlap slightly. Cut a piece of construction paper or foil gift wrap the same length but slightly wider (2 inches wider). Glue the construction paper to the cardboard so the bottom edge lines up. Cut a zigzag in the top edge of the construction paper. Note: The construction paper is wider to make it easier to cut the zigzag; it is difficult to cut the zigzag from the cardboard. Decorate using markers, glitter or stickers. Make a ring with the cardboard facing in (toward the head) and the paper facing out and staple to make a crown.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK Apple Crisp

Epiphany is celebrated in different ways all over the world. In England, there is a custom of blessing apple trees. Enjoy this apple dessert on this holy day.

× 8 large apples, peeled and sliced × 1 tsp. cinnamon × 1 cup brown sugar × 1 cup granulated sugar × 1 cup flour × 1 egg × 1/2 tsp. salt × 1 tsp. baking powder × 1/2 cup melted butter (optional)

Preheat oven to 350 F. Place sliced apples in greased 9x13 baking dish. Combine cinnamon and brown sugar. Sprinkle 1/2 of mixture over apples. Combine granulated sugar, flour, egg, salt, and baking powder. Spread this mixture over apples, which will act as a crust. Sprinkle remaining cinnamon/brown sugar mixture over top. Optional: pour butter over everything. Bake for 40 minutes or until golden brown and bubbly

Family Fun Facts

The gifts of the Magi symbolize the areas of Jesus' life: his kingship (gold), that he is God (frankincense), and his death (myrrh).

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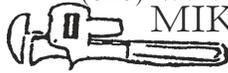
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