

January 2, 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12:30 PM

Latin Mass 5:00 PM Monday - Friday 6:00 PM

Tuesday 6:00 PM (followed by

Perpetual Help Novena)

1st. Thursday 6:00 PM (St. Philomena)

1st. Friday 1st. Saturday 6:00 PM 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM One Half Hour before all Masses & by appointment

PARISH STAFF

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Contact: Pat Fisher (504) 874-3177

BAPTISMS

Parents and Godparents must attend a Baptismal Seminar on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Registration is required. Contact Parish Office.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Marriage Preparation Program is required. Contact
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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.





Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 1, 2022

9:00 am Fr. Richard Miles (L)

4:00 pm Dyer Family, John & Philomene Palmisano, Louis Weigel, Alice & Leo Boyle, Alvin & Rita Swanner

Sunday, January 2, 2022

7:30 am Michael Matar 9:00 am Tabitha Duvernay

10:30 am George Airline, Fr. Richard Miles (L), Geraldine

Piglia, Fannie Raia, Linda Combe, Mary Montgom ery, Mary Olin, Al & Rita Swanner, Charles Campo, Joseph Tedesco, Corinne Treuting, Jaxon Manicelli,

Eugene Murret, Bobbie Burke

12:30 pm Leonard Marretta 5:00 pm OLPH Parishioners Monday, January 3, 2022 6:00 pm Shirley Hyde Tuesday, January 4, 2022

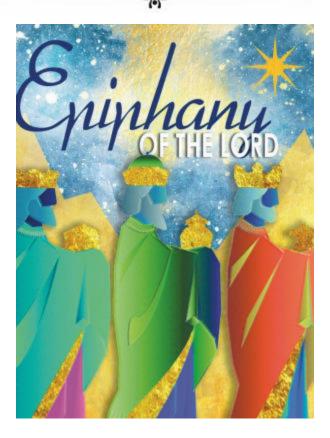
6:00pm Mary Olin

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

6:00 pm Irma Monroy <u>Thursday, January 6, 2022</u> 6:00 David D'Antoni <u>Friday, January 7, 2022</u>

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Loose: \$3,656.09

Second Collection: \$985.00

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Please pray for the souls of the dearly departed and all those who mourn for them.

May They Rest In Peace.



Monday, January 3rd

6:30 pm CCD — School

Wednesday, January 5th

6:45 pm Evangelization Cmt. — LaRose Ctr

Thursday, January 6th

11:00 am Lay Apostles—LaRose Ctr

7:00 pm Men of Christ — LaRose Ctr





Out of reverence for
Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament
and in consideration of fellow
parishioners who are praying,
please refrain from talking in church.

Please refrain from EATING, DRINKING, and CHEWING GUM in the Church.

Please respect God's house.



Baptismal Seminars

Baptismal Seminars are required for first-time parents and Godparents. They are held on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm.

Registration is required. Please call the office to register at least one week in advance.

The next seminar will be held on January 15, 2022



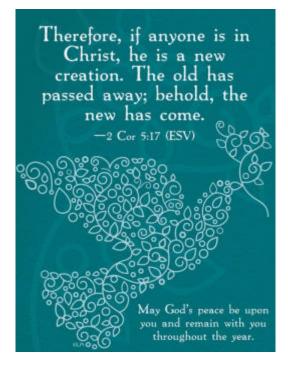
PARISH NEWS





Thank you to everyone who helped to decorate the church for Christmas.

The church's beautiful decorations help to enhance the celebrations of this season.





If you would like to donate flowers on the altar in memory of or in honor of a loved one, contact:

Mary McAlister
at (504) 669-0120 or maryamistretta@gmail.com
Patty Zito
at 504-491-0361 or mspazito@gmail.com

Please Pray For

Joey LaBella, Fr. Richard Miles, Diana Cacamo, Herbert Family, Sam Zanca, Joe Contavasprie, Gene Bergeron, Cindy Hendricks, Laurella Miller, June Duhe, Terry LeBlanc

Names will remain of the prayer list for 6 weeks. Please call the office to add a name to the list.



Have you included Christ in your New Year's Resolutions?

Prayer for the New Year

Remember us, O God; from age to age be our comforter. You have given us the wonder of time, blessings in days and nights, seasons and years. Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ. You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.

Amen.

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Attention All Sewers Volunteers Needed

We will be making **new Lenten covers** for the **95** icons & statues in our church.

Volunteers with sewing machines and/or a sergers are needed.

If you don't own a machine your help is also needed.

There will be 2 sewing days per week, starting January 24th in the LaRose Center.

Please consider joining us and getting to know other parishioners while helping the church.

For more information, contact Jackie Di Stefano at 504-737-2004 or 504-273-8561

Archdiocesan Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, March 27, 2022 3:00 pm

St. Joseph Church, New Orleans

If you will be celebrating your

25th Anniversary in 2022

(married in 1997)

or were married between 1992-1996

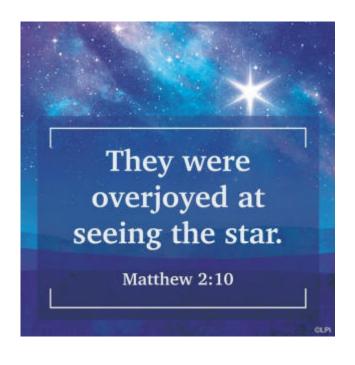
and wish to attend,

you must register.

Please call the office to register.

You must register before January 14, 2022

This celebration is a prayer service and not a Mass. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's parish.





Bible Study

Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life
Starting date
Tuesday, January 11, 2022
6:45 pm
in the LaRose Center

For more information and to download the Registration Form, visit our Facebook page or our website, olphla.net. Click on the "Events" tab, and scroll down to the "Bible Study" tab.





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