



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

— ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD —

JANUARY 2, 2022

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses are currently being held
in the St. Dominic Savio Center
to the right of the school.

MASS TIMES

Saturday..... (Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday..... 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
..... (Spanish) 3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily
and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently closed for repairs.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will
take place every day from 9am till 9pm in
the St. Dominic Savio Center, except during
weekend Mass times.

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They were
overjoyed at
seeing the star.

Matthew 2:10

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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. ©LPI

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Please place food in the
pantry baskets in Church.
Schedule based on last name.

Jan 1/2 - A/B/C

Jan 8/9 - D/E/F

Jan 15/16 - G/H/I

Jan 22/23 - J/K/L

Jan 29/30 - M/N/O

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3 • The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:30 am Ted Deakin, Special Intention

Tuesday, January 4 • St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Wednesday, January 5 • St. John Neumann

8:30 am Steve Navarre, Tom & Teresa Bautsch

Thursday, January 6 • St. André Bessette

8:30 am Special Intention

Friday, January 7 • St. Raymond of Penyafort • First Friday

8:30 am John Rauch, Jr.

Saturday, January 8

4:00 pm Melancon & Fisher Families, Living & deceased members of the Carmen & Ronald Perilloux Family, All Souls, Rick Gaille, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Ellie Boucvalt, Byron & Thelma Melancon, Living & deceased members of the P.J. & Joyce Breaud Family, Special Intentions

Sunday, January 9 • The Baptism of the Lord

8:30 am All Souls, Nguyen Family, Kimberly Clement, Living & deceased members of the Eula McMurry Family, Dan Guidry, Gail Ryder

10:30 am Our Parishioners

3:00 pm (en espanol) Henry Harris, Jr.

7:00 pm Deceased members of KC Council 9623



VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

In memory of Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, and Conrad & Betty Hymel

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

In memory of Dennis Cascio



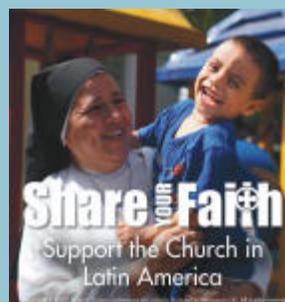
Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Special Collection - January 9th Collection for the Church in Latin America

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Knights of Columbus Catholic Youth Leadership Award program offers all Louisiana high school seniors who are practicing Catholics the opportunity to apply for this award. If you are interested in applying, please pick up an application at the Parish Office or print one at the link below. **Deadline to submit your application is January 21st.** For more info, visit www.louisianakc.org/programs/cyla.

REGISTRATION OPEN!!

CCRNO Women's Retreat
January 28-30, 2022
The Doubletree by Hilton
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CCRNO warmly invites you to **"Come Away by Yourselves and Rest Awhile"** at the **Holy Spirit Women's Retreat** in Lafayette, LA, January 28, 29, & 30 at the DoubleTree by Hilton. To register online, visit ccrno.org/hswr-with-form.

Our parishioner Cathy Abbate is planning to attend this retreat. Anyone who may wish to carpool with her may contact her at 504-462-4724.



Louisiana Life March Baton Rouge

January 22nd
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Archdiocesan Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration

will take place on

Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3:00pm

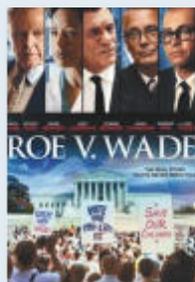
at St. Joseph Church in New Orleans.

This prayer service will honor couples who are celebrating or have recently celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

The celebration is open to couples married between 1992 - 1997.

To register, please call the Parish Office before January 24th.

Please note: The Silver Wedding Anniversary celebration is a prayer service, not a Mass, and will not fulfill the couple's Sunday obligation. Couples should plan to attend Mass at their home parishes.



"Roe v. Wade: The Real Story You've Never Been Told"

will be shown on

Friday, January 14, 2022

from 7:00-9:00pm

at St. Benilde School Cafeteria
Metairie, LA

Join us as we take a deeper look into the parties involved on both sides of this landmark case. There is no cost to attend. Light snacks and refreshments will be available. St. Benilde Catholic Church is located at 1901 Division Street, Metairie, LA. 70001.

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, January 3

No School - Christmas Holidays; No PSR
6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet - St. Dominic Savio Center

Tuesday, January 4

No School - Christmas Holidays
7:00 pm Baptismal Seminar - Parish Office

Wednesday, January 5

Classes resume
6:00 pm KC Planning & Director's Meeting - KC Home

Thursday, January 6

Friday, January 7

Saturday, January 8 • Team 2

Sunday, January 9 • Team 2

7:00 pm Youth Mass - St. Dominic Savio Center



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



Come Let Us Adore!

Adoration is being held in the St. Dominic Savio Center (the temporary Church) every day from 9:00am to 9:00pm, except when Mass is being celebrated on weekends. All Committed Adorers are asked to continue Adoration even if your scheduled hour is not between 9am and 9pm. Choose an hour and continue your commitment, please!

Kids Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Isn't God amazing? He made all the stars and planets to move, so every night the sky looks a little different. When God created the world, he planned exactly when the wise men would see the star. He wanted them to find Jesus.



PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for making the planets and stars so the wise men could find Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Visit a planetarium to learn more about the star of Bethlehem.

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

Finding Baby Jesus

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany. On this feast we remember when the wise men came from the East and worshipped baby Jesus.



The wise men wanted to find the great King and give Him their best gifts. They studied long and finally knew where He was. Then they had to travel a great distance to find the baby King. When they found Him they knelt before Him and gave Him their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which were all costly treasures.

Do you want to find the greatest King? You know Who He is! You don't have to travel far to find Him- He comes in every Mass!



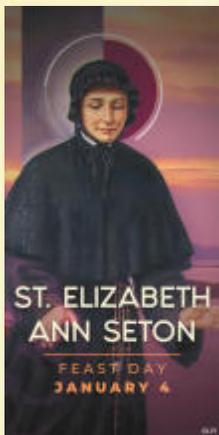
Do you want to give your best gift to the baby King Who loves you so much? You don't need to give Him gold or frankincense or myrrh. You can give Him your heart! Love Jesus and He will always be with you!



www.thekidsbulletin.com



Today we are celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany. The Epiphany is a special part of the Christmas season. What's it all about? Connect the dots to find out!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Feast Day January 4

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." ©LPi



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED



Question: What happens to a consecrated host if it accidentally falls to the ground?

Answer: This is a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the ministers respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacrarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.). ©LPi

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- 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

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