



— ST. MARY —
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
STAR CITY

3346 University Ave. Morgantown, WV 26505 • 304-599-3747

January 2, 2022 • Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Times: Saturday, 6:00pm, Sunday, 8:30am, 11:00am, en español a la 1:00pm
Daily Mass*: Mon.-Fri. 9:00am, Mon. 6:30pm, Wed. 12:00pm *please see schedule inside for any changes
or cancellations. **Radio broadcast at 8:30am** on 1300AM WCLG & 92.1FM, and TuneIn channel Morgan 92.1



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Are you registered in the Parish?

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of the parish family.

Clearly stating your Catholic commitment in all its dimensions brings many advantages, recognition, and responsibility.

At St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, our policy, is that you must be registered and participating in Sunday Mass regularly before a baptism can take place, or for the initial meeting with the pastor in the case

of marriage.

Regular attendance is also required for adults who are asked to be a godparent or sponsor at another parish, in order that a letter can be sent stating that they are a practicing Catholic and a registered member of a parish faith community.

Even though you may have attended Mass here for months, or even years, we would like for you to be registered.

Please pick up a registration form at the church or parish office, or register online at stmarystarcity.com
For more information, call the parish office at 304-599-3747.

Sacraments

Baptism: (Birth – Age 7) Parents are required to participate in a preparation program before the celebration of Baptism. Parents must be registered and attending Sunday Mass regularly. Please contact the parish office for information.

Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to each daily Mass

Order of Christian Initiation: Children 7-14 years of age, and Children 15 years of age and older & Adults— *The Order of Christian Initiation*, RCIA, please contact Cynthia Friesen at 304-225-1163 or stmarystarcityfaithformation@gmail.com

Marriage: Engaged couples planning to marry at St. Mary Church should be practicing Catholics, participating in Sunday Eucharist regularly. Also, they must participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. Call the Parish Office for information. At least **six months notice** is required. *No date for a wedding will be set over the phone.*

Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound: When a parishioner is confined to home or hospital because of illness or advanced age, call the Parish Office. We will be happy to make arrangements to bring Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request and communally as scheduled

Bulletin Deadline:

Tuesday@Noon, email or written copy please,
no bulletin announcements will be taken over the phone

Email: stmaryschurch@comcast.net

Subject line: attn: Bulletin, and include topic of announcement

Spirituality of the Readings – King?



The Wise Men, or “Magi,” cross into one more kingdom in their long journey. Courteously they visit the monarch of that kingdom, not knowing he was the infamous Herod. I suppose every amenity took place: formal welcome, diplomatic over-do, huge meals, fine drinks. Such excesses must take place, even in a commonplace kingdom.

Finally, when the moment arrives, our Magi pose their question. “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We have read the signs and know of his birth.” They trust Herod for the truth, since, obviously, this infant will be the next in line from Herod.

What seems like a sincere question strikes terror into the Herod heart. So he maintains his diplomatic balance, temporizing with a promise to find the answer, and skillfully ends the meeting for that night. But, within him are the words, Newborn King? No, no, no! I AM THE KING! My lineage is the answer to this menacing child. Herod’s insides shout for him to do something!

Do something!

He goes to the chief priests and scribes. He charms them with a seemingly idle interest, an “honest” question. Do you experts, busy studying day and night, do you know anything about the predicted Messiah figure we used to hope for? If he were to be born today, I wonder. Where that would be?

“In Bethlehem of Judea,” they respond, where the great King David was born. These experts know the scriptures well, as Herod does not. The Messiah will be David’s successor, shepherd of the people Israel, fulfillment of everything the Jewish people have awaited for centuries.

The Herodian head swirls.

At last he forms a plan.

Kill him.

Herod will identify the town to these Magi and they will search out and find the baby for him! He makes his way across the halls and utters the words, “Bethlehem is the place! The child is in Bethlehem! All you have to do is find him. Oh, and of course, let me know where he is. Why? So that I too may do him homage.”

Death is the homage Herod has in mind.

His lust for power will banish the command of love, in order for him to stay in control. He is most willing to compete directly even with God and with Christ. He is accepting in advance the same deal Satan will offer to Jesus in the desert thirty years later. “You can control the whole world, if you will only fall down and worship me. Help me defeat God.” Satan was a power-monger too.

The funny thing is that, for Jesus, “power” is not at all the same thing Herod and Satan are grabbing for. They want to become bigger and bigger, to out-stretch infinity. But his goal is to become less and less, to become transparent, just as love is. Heavy selfish greed cannot demolish this heavenly plan, but it surely can seem to.

To Herod it certainly seems to.

The child’s weakness shows what God has in mind as an answer to evil: tender, unfearing openness to love.

In our sinfulness, we scoff at such a plan. Mary, Joseph, and Jesus will never win out, will they? Evil will triumph in the end, won’t it? The cross will do what Herod could not, but that Satan could.

Will it?

Christmas is our down-payment on the cross!

John Foley, SJ

Giving Summary

Sunday Offering—December 19
\$4,448.00

Online Giving
\$2,601.35

Christmas Flowers
\$3,341.00

Attendance: 374

Other /End of Year Donations:
\$19,000.00

At this time of year, our bulletin publisher requires that we submit our bulletin to them in advance of the normal weekly schedule to accommodate holiday closures and shipping delays. Giving Summaries will be printed in the first available publication after the collection, but may appear delayed when compared to the date of the bulletin.

Recent/Upcoming Special Collections

1/2 Kentucky Disaster Relief

For ease of accounting, **separate checks are preferred** for all donations to different collections and purposes, including special collections, Mass intentions, memorials, and donations to different funds e.g. Trust Fund for the Poor, Debt Reduction, etc. Thank you for your help!

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www.stmarystarcity.com.

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

January 2, Epiphany of the Lord


Saturday, 6:00pm	Intention of Celebrant
Sunday, 8:30am	Helen Ferrari
Sunday, 11:00am	For the People
Domingo, 1pm	Por la familia Manuel Sánchez

<u>Monday 1/3</u>	<u>Holy Name of Jesus</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant
6:30pm	Intention of Celebrant
<u>Tuesday 1/4</u>	<u>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant
<u>Wednesday 1/5</u>	<u>St. John Neumann</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant
12:00pm	Intention of Celebrant
<u>Thursday 1/6</u>	<u>St. André Bessette</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant
<u>Friday 1/7</u>	<u>St. Raymond of Peñafort</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant

In the event of Closing of school due to inclement weather, there will be no Daily Mass or Prayer Service.
In the event of a funeral, morning Mass will be cancelled

January 9, Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, 6:00pm	Kathy Evanto
Sunday, 8:30am	The Barry Kolar Family
Sunday, 11:00am	For the People
Domingo, 1pm	Por la familia Sánchez Pelayo



Until further notice, Bishop Brennan asks that all those in attendance at Mass **and any other meetings, social events, or other parish gatherings (including events with food) wear a mask, other than young children under the age of 2.**

Thank you for your cooperation in this act of Christian Charity.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
 30 minutes prior to each Daily Mass
 Saturdays from 5-5:40pm as scheduled
 (Mon-Fri: 8:30am, Mon: 5:45pm, Wed: 11:30am)
 *times may change based on any changes to the weekly Mass schedule

If you, or any parishioner you know, are sick or homebound and would like a visit from Fr. John, please contact the Parish Office



St. Mary Church Ruby Read Box, Take a Book, Leave a Book.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY

Sunday, January 2—Epiphany of the Lord

No Religious Ed.
 RCIA
 1-3:00pm Girl Scouts—L/L
 1:00pm NA Meeting
Monday, January 3
 5:00-6:15pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00pm Retreat & Spiritual Life Committee Meeting—L/L
 7-9:00pm Boy Scouts
Tuesday, January 4
 6:30pm NA Meeting
 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Mtg @ Star City KofC Hall

Wednesday, January 5

6:30pm Evangelization Committee Mtg—L/L
 7:00pm Catholic Homeschoolers Bible Study

Thursday, January 6


12:00pm Al-Anon—L/L
 5:00pm Spanish Mass Music Rehearsal—L/L

Saturday, January 8


5:00-5:40pm Reconciliation

Sunday, January 9—Baptism of the Lord

9:30am Religious Ed.
 RCIA
 1:00pm NA Meeting
 6-8:00pm Middle School Youth



Thank you to all those who gave to our Christmas Flowers Fund, in memory or in honor of loved ones, which provides for our lovely Christmas display. Please see pgs. 6-7 for a list of our memorials and honorees.



Faith Formation

Morning Religious Ed Classes will resume on Sunday, January 9 at 9:30am.

Middle School class will meet at 6:00 pm on Sunday, January 9th, High School Class will meet on January 16th.

Rate Your Generosity

Rate yourself on your generosity of Time, Talent, and Treasure for the last month! (circle one)

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Disaster Relief Collection

Most Rev. Mark Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, has approved a special collection to be held the weekend of January 1st and 2nd, 2022, in all parishes and missions throughout the diocese to support recovery efforts related to the recent natural disasters that have occurred in Kentucky, leaving severe damage and significant loss of life. Donations can also be made at your parish or on the diocesan website at dwc.org/disasterrelief.

Proceeds from this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities agencies on the ground, working in the communities affected by the tornadoes.

Please remember in prayer all those who have lost their lives in the wake of these disasters, as well as all those who have been injured and lost their homes, cars, employment, and access to food and water, especially as we prepare for the Christmas Season.

As we hold the victims and first responders in our prayers during these critical days, let us also spend time in prayer and discernment as we prepare for this upcoming collection. Let us come together now to support our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering this horrible loss.



Mass intentions are being accepted for 2022.

The suggested donation is \$20 for a weekend, \$10 for a weekday. Please call the Parish Office if interested, 304-599-3747.

Please note that any Masses cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances such as a global pandemic, inclement weather, or a funeral, will be moved to the next available 'like' date and time e.g., Daily Mass on Tuesday moved to another Tuesday, 8:30 Sunday Mass moved to another 8:30, as available.

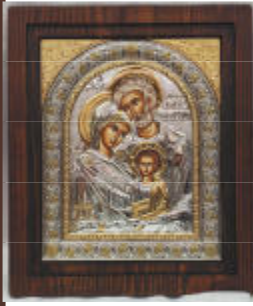


We have Hearing Assistance Devices available for use during Mass. If you would like one, please ask an Usher.

NA Meetings St. Mary Church, Star City
Tuesdays-6:30pm, Sundays-1pm
To find other meetings near you, visit <https://www.na.org/meetingsearch/>

Al-Anon (for those affected by someone else's drinking) meets every Thursday at noon at St. Mary Church. Information: call 1-888-425-2666 or WSO@al-anon.org

Holy Family Icon Raffle



Congratulations to Terrie Cunningham, who won our icon raffle!

In total, the raffle raised \$560 for our electrical needs. Thank you to everyone who supported the parish by buying tickets!



St. Ursula Food Pantry needs:

***Coffee, Tea, and Hot Chocolate**

Donate your favorite blend to share some warmth with others!

Baby & Toddler Program needs:

***Baby Wash & Shampoo**



Donations for St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach may be placed in the labeled bins in the church and narthex, or dropped off in the baskets in the CFC entry.



Memorial Donations for Bread and the Tabernacle candle are now being accepted for the year 2022. The requested donation is \$40. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested. 304-599-3747.



Text the word "starcity" to 84576 or connect with us

online at: StMaryStarCity.flocknote.com

St. Luke the Evangelist Parish Presents:

Candlelight Lessons and Carols



Take a breath after the hustle and bustle of the Holidays and Sing your favorite Christmas carols one more time

Sunday, January 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

\$5 Donation, supports

Catholic Charities WV

Featuring Ed DeCosta and the Adult Choir of St. Luke parish under the direction of R.J. Nestor



Christmas Flowers

In Memory and in Honor of:



Roslyn Smith
 The Laurita Family
 Harry & Emma Lou Claudio
 The Han Family
 Rudy Scudiere
 Antoni Nakoneczny
 Angie Wronkiewicz
 Mary Nakon
 The Vargo Family
 Joseph & Helen Hoclar
 Allen Wise
 Joe Simons
 Paul Gutta
 Alex Bodea, Jr.
 The Williams Family
 The Mantini Family
 The Dominick Claudio Family
 Carl & Rosalie Price
 The Nguemgaing Family
 Jack Davis
 Karen Davis
 The Wasson Family
 The Peck Family
 Pat Griffith
 The Smith Family
 Rosaura Pomales
 Luis Martinez
 Miguel Sierra
 Adeonis Castillo
 The Harper Family
 Alan Wheeler
 Sam & Evelyn Costante
 Lucy Maxwell
 Glen & Si Wheeler
 The Costante Family
 The Pervola Family
 Bernie Simons
 John Simons
 Deceased members of the
 Koval Family
 Deceased members of the
 Simons Family
 Vikki Griffith
 Judy Main
 Angela Scotchel
 John Scotchel, Sr.

Frances C. Scotchel
 The Wasson & Ford Family
 The Wyant Family
 Giovanna & Paul Prudnick
 The Straface Family
 Arthur J. Liberatore
 Muriel Ferrell
 Debbie Ferrell
 Susan Crynock
 Kathryn Crynock
 Mary Sypolt
 Larry Sypolt
 Gary Sypolt
 Ron Cunningham
 Mary & John Molchan
 Mr. & Mrs. Albert J. Zeleznik
 Bernadine King
 Randy Koscianski
 Deborah Zygmunt
 Bryan Belesky
 The Gocke Family
 Opal & Pete Fantacci
 Kathryn & Charles Cyphert
 Duncan Stanley Hilling
 Michael William Rosier
 Charles & Winona Arthurs
 Regina Quesenberry
 Evelyn Nelson
 Martin A. Chittum
 Mr. & Mrs. Martin Valentine
 Dr. Albert Valentine
 Mr. Alfred Valentine
 Jake Sutherland
 Deceased Members of the
 Rocovich & Sutherland
 Families
 The Sansone Family
 The Cavalier & Watkins
 Families
 Larry R. Lee
 Guy & Rose Fuscardo
 Mothers and Fathers of our
 Family
 All Deceased Priests
 John E. & Antoinete Porter
 Morris & Mary Wilmoth

Lena Tiano
 Tony Tiano
 Anthony D. Sellaro
 Peter & Mathia Bottini
 Salvador & Emma Gómez
 Carlos A. Gómez
 Olive Mae Tiberio
 Michael Gino Tiberio
 Carl & Elma Pongratz
 George & Anna Drvar
 Tom Fedikovitch
 John & Thelma Paris
 The Wiesen Family
 Steve & Florence Lorenze
 Ginger Lorenze
 The Snyder Family
 Jim & Agnes Mediate
 Rose & Helmuth Auch
 John & Virginia Straface
 Deceased members of the
 Prete Family
 George & Ada Bucklew
 Andrew & Carol Mihallik
 Bob & Mary Mockalski
 Robert Mihallik
 Michael Jensen
 Frank Shoaf
 Darst & William Dyer
 The Dyer Family
 Agnes & Clyde Batz
 Margaret & Charles Seckel
 John Robert Spears
 Joe & Erma Wroblewski
 Melford & Lucy Pyles
 Joe & Helen Dadich
 John & Mary Vargo
 Sy & Virginia Dinardi
 Michael & Dorothy Tupta
 Rudy Vesilicky
 Deceased members of the
 Natoli-Feola and the
 Barata -Poppalardo
 Families
 Jim & Irene DeCarlo
 Ralph & Sue Sengewalt
 Vito T. & Mary F. Esposito



Christmas Flowers

In Memory and in Honor of:



J. A. Kyle & E. Eleanor Bush
 Jacqueline A. Varga
 The Koloff Family
 The Strakal Family
 Deceased members of the
 Frederick & Marano
 Family
 The Beresford & DeVito
 Family
 The Parrish Family
 The Feghali Family
 Debbie Lattanzi
 The John & Rose Sellaro
 Family
 Janet Battin
 Carole & Robert LaDuke
 Danilo Guanzon
 TR & Dolly McDermott
 Robert McDermott
 Fr. John McDonough
 Jack & Marie Quade
 Mr. & Mrs. William Fredrick
 & Son
 Mr. & Mrs. George Grove
 Patricia Mary Keefe Reilly
 John & Vonnie Hefferin
 Reeves & Neva Taylor
 Isadoro & Desolina Gizzi
 Anna Mancini
 Mary Palmer
 Hugo Dalzot
 Mike & Lucy Tarantini
 The Martinelli Family
 William & Fisa Pride
 John & Mary Bajura
 Theodora & Anthony Strobel
 Michael Banosky
 Leo Cocco
 Betty Cocco
 Mary Peluchette
 Abraham Lucci
 Peter & Opal Fantacci
 Charles & Kathryn Cyphert
 Ed & Patricia Cyphert
 The Krishock Family
 The Stefanizzi Family

The Scudiere Family
 The Providenti Family
 Armando Guariglia
 Lucy Guariglia
 Betty Elder
 Jamma Basile
 Frank & Donna Lester
 Catherine Lester
 Bennie & Maxine Palmer
 Carl Anthony Straub
 Jim Cyphert
 Renée Cyphert Morgan
 Roy Bucklew
 Nicholas DiPetta
 Virginia DiPetta
 Bernard J. Folio
 Kathryn A. Folio
 Kathryn V. Folio
 Mr. & Mrs. Joe Scotchell
 Johnny Scotchell
 Robert & Ann Oxendale
 Dr. Tom Clark
 Milan Puskar
 Dr. William Neal
 The Joseph Family
 Anna Mae Lucci
 Attilio & Italia Lucci
 Michael Lucci
 Natale Lucci
 Frank Bidwell
 Joyce Bidwell
 Martin & Michael Derrico
 The Radish Family
 Angelo & Virginia Derrico
 Ann Steele
 Joseph Becilla, Sr.
 Martha Becilla
 Jay Becilla
 Luke Becilla
 Anna Mae Lucci
 Joseph & Elizabeth Barill
 Kathy Evanto
 Anthony Han
 Gertrude Lee
 Jong-Hwa Kim
 Yang-Rae Kang

Agnes Mancinelli
 Vincent Mancinelli
 Pio & Angelina Mancinelli
 Kicer & Annie Saab
 Blanche Saab
 Paul Saab
 Cecilia & John Alexander
 Joan & Peter Saab
 Viola Epifano
 Pius Mancinelli
 Harry & Josephine Perkins
 Richard & Frances Born
 Marie F. Born
 Anna N. & George Gresko, Jr.
 Martha and William
 Weishaupt
 Anna N. Gresko
 George Gresko, Jr.
 Mary Margaret & George
 Gresko, Sr.
 Lewis & Rose Nemeth
 William & Martha Weishaupt
 Frances & Richard Born
 Angela D. Scotchel
 John Scotchel, Sr.
 Frances C. Scotchel
 Tony Sellaro
 Mr. & Mrs. James McGraw
 Mr. & Mrs. John Sellaro, Sr.
 The Knouse Family
 Mr. & Mrs. John Danish



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Support our parish by
making a gift to the
Catholic Sharing Appeal

dwc.org/CSA

Did you know...?

Everything above 50% of our goal comes back to St. Mary Parish! With 56% of our goal already achieved, every penny given from now on will be given back to us.

The money that we receive from the CSA will go toward improving the HVAC system in the Christian Formation Center, so that all of our classrooms and offices can have functioning heat and air.

Safe Environment Reporting

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

Will or Estate Planning

Are you thinking of remembering St. Mary Church in your will or estate plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Mary Church. Bequests should be made out to:

"The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, or his successors in office," with a specification of the purpose for which the bequest is to be used, e.g. "for the use of St. Mary Parish"

READINGS FOR THE WEEK 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

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The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops, and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. Where a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential. If you have any other kind of complaint about a bishop—such as parish assignments, church closings, or homily contents—please address those directly to your diocesan or eparchial bishop instead. Sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or a staff member or volunteer of the Church should be reported to the Office of Safe Environment for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. So, to be sure you get the help you need, phone numbers and addresses may be found at www.dwc.org under the accountability tab. If you are the victim of sexual abuse (or any other crime), please contact local law enforcement.

Sunday, Jan 02, 2022

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The sanctity of home

"Home is where the heart is" is an ancient proverb. Many folks find their deepest level of satisfaction and fulfillment in family life. But home is also where the *hearth* is: the place to which we come in from the cold to restore ourselves, where we put up our feet, sigh, and relax. Our homes are sacred to us; why not commend them to God? On Epiphany, we're invited to gather with our loved ones to bless the door, walls, and table of our dwelling. Compose your own blessing together or visit the USCCB's Blessing of the Home and Household on Epiphany for the rite of home blessing.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 (20). *"The star they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was."*

Monday, Jan 03, 2022

MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Initial reflections

Do you have anything monogrammed with your initials, perhaps towels or clothing? While monogramming is decorative, it also marks your belongings as yours. Jesus has a monogram too: "IHS," which stands for the first three letters of the Greek spelling of the name of Jesus. Later the monogram was associated with the Latin phrase *Jesus Hominum Salvator* (Jesus Humankind's Savior). There is power in the very name of Jesus and so Catholics venerate it. Perhaps you've seen this monogram on altars or vestments. Jesuits use the IHS monogram as the emblem of their society. You can bear his monogram too—by calling on his name and showing to the world that you belong to him.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (212). *"And great crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan followed him."*

Tuesday, Jan 04, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS

Fed by the bread of life

Raised Episcopalian, Elizabeth Ann Seton knew about Jesus multiplying loaves. On Sundays, she was a devout communicant at historic Trinity Church on Wall Street. But it wasn't until Elizabeth went to Italy with her children and husband in 1803, attending Mass with Catholic friends, that she was drawn to the Real Presence in the Eucharist. "How happy would we be, if we believed what these dear souls believe," she wrote, "that they possess God in the sacrament, and that He remains in their churches and is carried to them when they are sick!" In honor of Mother Seton, the first U.S.-born saint, resolve to receive Communion more often this year.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44 (213). *"He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people."*

Wednesday, Jan 05, 2022

MEMORIAL OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

Get to know your neighbors

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint John Neuman, the first Redemptorist priest ordained in the United States and the first male U.S. citizen named a saint. Neumann, who emigrated to the United States from Bohemia as a young man desirous of being a missionary, is revered for his tireless work among immigrants in

the Northeast. He had a talent for understanding people and knowing what would bring them peace and comfort. Seek to emulate this holy man, who one of his fellow bishops observed, "had a solution for every question posed," and an "unruffled composure, which betokened deep humility and perfect self-control. I always regarded him as a saint."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214). *"If we love one another, God remains in us, and [God's] love is brought to perfection in us."*

Thursday, Jan 06, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ANDRÉ BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS

The comeback kid of Québec

Saint André Bessette's remarkable life began when he was born into poverty in 1845. Orphaned by age 12, considered a failure in school, he practiced unskilled trades until his pastor encouraged him to join the Congregation of the Holy Cross. The congregation reluctantly admitted him, concerned about his frail health. Brother André defied expectations, living to age 91 and becoming famous throughout Québec for the many healings people experienced after visiting him in his role as a humble doorkeeper. Why not ask Brother André for his intercession, be it for mental, spiritual, relational, or physical healing?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 4:19—5:4; Luke 4:14-22 (215). *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."*

Friday, Jan 07, 2022

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Make straight your path

Through its long history, the church has been careful to make a distinction between the canons, or rules, of the church and the laws of the state. The canons, from the Greek *kanon* for "straight," were meant to guide Catholics toward the mission of the church—to keep them on the straight and narrow of faith, so to speak. There are 1,752 canons, many that pertain to all of us. For example, Canon 210: "All the Christian faithful must direct their efforts to lead a holy life and to promote the growth of the church and its continual sanctification, according to their own condition." In honor of the patron saint of canon lawyers, Saint Raymond of Peñafort, do your best to follow the rules of the church and give witness to God's saving love.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16 (216). *"God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."*

Saturday, Jan 08, 2022

SATURDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Increasing Christ

Tomorrow, the Baptism of the Lord, marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. The days, dates, and seasons of the church's liturgical calendar focus the whole People of God on the same celebrations. During Advent we prepare. In Christmas we welcome. Lent is a time of reflection and repentance. Easter is new life. In Ordinary Time we celebrate the ongoing effects of God's grace. So when "Silent Night" or "We Three Kings" is sung throughout the world, the air fills with the grace generated by God in our hearts. Sing a Christmas hymn today and know that the stars are singing with you.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30 (217). *"He must increase; I must decrease."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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The Epiphany of the Lord

Lectionary: 20

Reading I Is 60:1-6

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.

Reading II Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

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 gener-
ations
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.

Gospel Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,
in the days of King Herod,

behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusa-
lem, 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 proph-
et:
*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Ju-
dah;
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 hom-
age.
Then they opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense,
and myrrh.
And having been warned in a dream not to re-
turn to Herod,
they departed for their country by another
way.



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