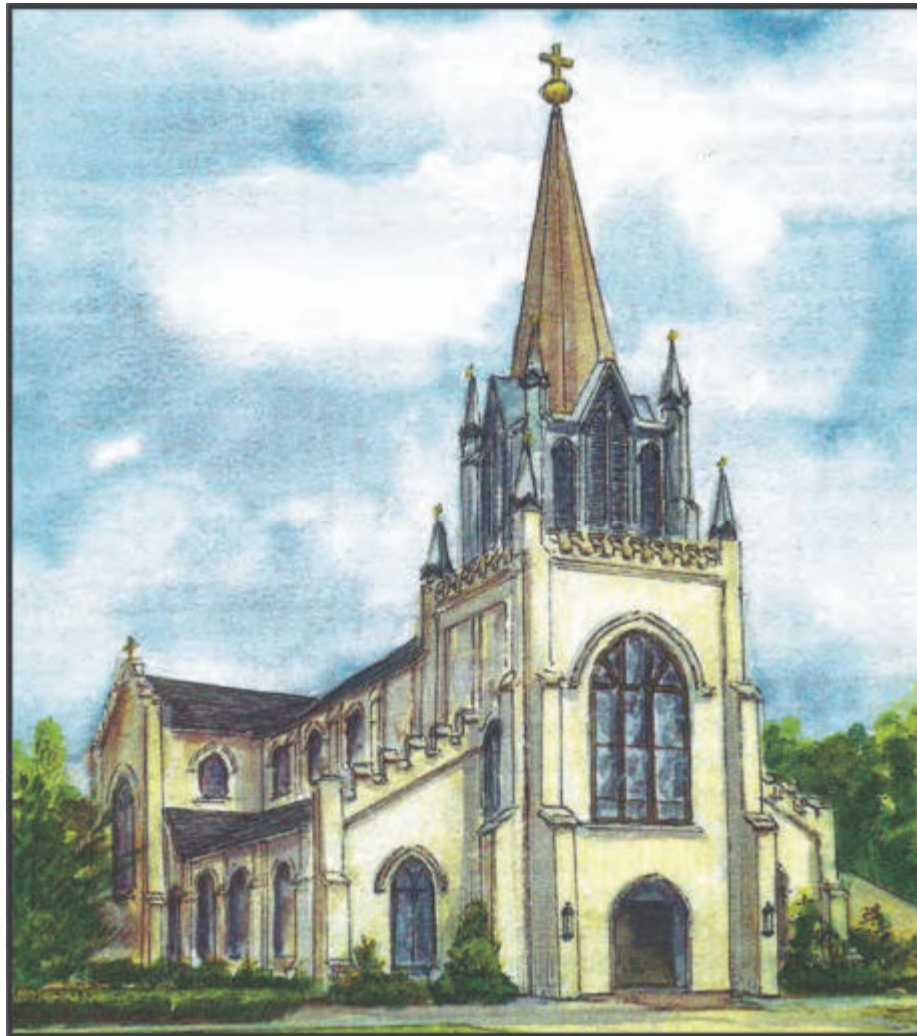


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**Saturday:**  
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**Sunday:**  
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**Holy Days:**  
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**Daily (Except Wednesday):** 12:10 p.m.  
**Confessions:** Not Available At This Time  
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# January 3, 2021

*Epiphany of the Lord*  
cf. Malachi 3:1; 1 Chronicles 29:12

*Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One,  
has come; and kingship is in his grasp,  
and power and dominion.*



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

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## 2021 CHURCH CALENDAR – DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY

The 2021 Church Calendars, *Devotions to Our Lady*, have arrived and are located on the tables in the back of the church. Please be sure to pick up your copy or bring one to a parishioner who is unable to come to mass.

## You're Invited to a Virtual Peek at Kindergarten on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 6 p.m.

Will your child be in Kindergarten next school year? If so, you'll want to be sure to take a look at the wonderful opportunities that await your student at St. Anne-Pacelli Catholic School! The St. Anne-Pacelli Catholic School Kindergarten curriculum includes Language Arts, Mathematics, Religion, Social Studies, Science, Spanish, Technology, Art, Drama, Music and PE. During our virtual Peek at Kindergarten, parents will have the opportunity to interact with Lower School Principal Jocelyn Smith, as well as Kindergarten Teachers Heather Dalelio and Carol Jones who will discuss their approach to learning. Director of Admissions Julie Davis will be available during the session to answer admissions-related questions. Register to attend here: [www.BeAViking.com/peek-at-kindergarten](http://www.BeAViking.com/peek-at-kindergarten).

**EPIPHANY – CHRIST AS THE LIGHT TO THE NATIONS**

The Christmas season reaches an apex on the Solemnity of the Epiphany. Traditionally known in many parts of the world as Little Christmas, it is a commemoration of the manifestation of God to all the nations. In some liturgical traditions, this feast is the central celebration of Christmas.

Led by a star, the astrologers come in search of the infant king, They have been attentive to the marvels of the universe, and there they have read signs in the heavens. They represent all who search for truth in the wonders of creation and in the wisdom of their own cultures of origin. Because they searched with the eyes of faith, they were able to recognize the gift of God when they found him, even though he did not conform to their initial perception of a royal heir.

They came from the far corners of the earth, Gentiles who followed the light and who found the new king whose reign would bring justice and righteousness into human affairs. They returned home, enlightened by their visit to God’s place of revelation. Their encounter shows that in Christ the light of God is given to all people of goodwill, Jew and non-Jew alike.

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**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (Progress Report as of 12/17/2020)**

***Our Goal - \$59,925; Pledged - \$8401 with \$7,633 paid on pledge; One-time donations - \$42,109.60 with total of \$49,742.60 given which is 83.01% of our goal. Of 579 parishioners, 101 have donated for 17.44% participation***

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Jan. 2</i>	<i>Elaine Clemons</i>	<i>Memorial</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Jan. 3</i>	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Jan. 4</i>	<i>Fr. Paul Brick &amp; Troy Bangart</i>	<i>Memorial</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Jan. 5</i>	<i>Paulose Kulangara</i>	<i>Memorial</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Jan. 7</i>	<i>Janet Kay Hammock</i>	<i>Memorial</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Jan. 8</i>	<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Jan. 9</i>	<i>Michael Victor Sandri</i>	<i>Memorial</i>



**TODAY’S READINGS – Sunday January 10, 2021**

**First Reading** — Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7).

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29:1-2,).

**Second Reading** — In truth I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. (Acts 10:34-38).

**Gospel** — John the Baptist proclaimed: One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1;7-11).

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