

Epiphany Catholic Church

December 19, 2021



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday (All Public): 8:00am & 10:30am, 12:30pm
(Spanish)

Daily Mass:

8:00am Monday, Tuesday, & Friday (**Public**)

8:00am Thursday (**School**)

7:00pm Wednesday (**Public**)

Holy Days: 8:00am & 7:00pm

Confessions: Sat. 4:15pm-4:45pm

Sun 7:30-7:45, 9:45am-10:15am, 11:45am-12:15pm

Other times by appointment

Weekly Devotions

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

In the chapel every Tues: 9:30am - 8:00pm

Vespers with Eucharistic Benediction:

Wednesday: 6:00pm

Religious Education for Children:

Sunday: 9:15am-10:15am

Father Bob Hoffman, Pastor

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Office Hours: **Monday:** Closed, **Tuesday:** 9:00am-5:00pm, **Wednesday – Friday:** 1:00pm –5:00pm

If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call 386-288-5143.

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Susi Pittman, Director of Religious Education and RCIA: (386)697-7312

Emily & Adam Kersch, Youth Directors:(904)465-5168

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 18, 2021

5:00pm †Rudy Kissner

Sunday, December 19, 2021

8:00am PRO POPULO

10:30am Mike & Julie Ortiz

12:30pm Jose Antonio Ospina
& Maria Leticia Rios

Monday, December 20, 2021

8:00am †Deceased Carmelite Sisters

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

8:00am Georgia Schreiber

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

7:00pm †Betty Collantes

Thursday, December 23, 2021

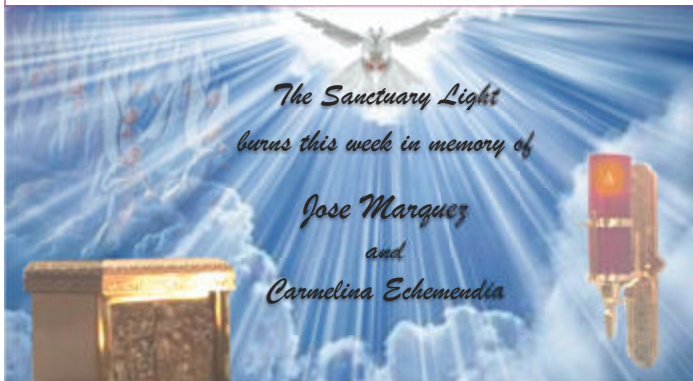
8:00am †Victor Morales

Friday, December 24, 2021

5:00pm Homebound & Nursing Home Residents

Midnight †Zenaida Rodriguez &

†Betty Krajewski



Have You Moved?

Is it possible we need to update your contact information? Please be sure to give us any updates to your original registration/census form. You can leave all updates at the WELCOME DESK. Thanks so much!



Hours of Adoration



**Tuesdays:
9:00A—8:00P
Now in the Chapel**

Offertory Dec. 12, 2021

2nd Collection

General: \$ \$7,299

Retired Religious: \$ 1,249

Upcoming 2nd Collections

Dec 19-Capital Repairs

Dec.26: Epiphany School

Jan. 2: Catholic Relief Services

Mission Statement

We are a community of disciples of Jesus, who are called to manifest the presence and love of Christ to one another, to the community, and to the world around us.

Readings for the week of December 19, 2021

Sun: Mi 5:1-4a
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]
Heb 10:5-10
Lk 1:39-45

Mon: Is 7:10-14
Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]
Lk 1:26-38

Tues: Sg 2:8-14
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]
Lk 1:39-45

Wed: 1 Sm 1:24-28
1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]
Lk 1:46-56

Thurs: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]
Lk 1:57-66

Fri: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]
Lk 1:67-79

Sat: Is 62:1-5
Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/
Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Next Sunday

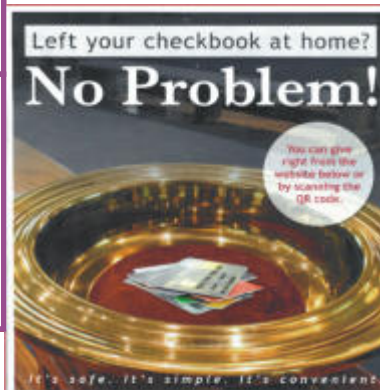
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Lk 2:41-52

El próximo Domingo

Miq 5, 1-4
Sal 79, 2-3. 15-16. 18-19 [4]
Heb 10, 5-10
Lc 1, 39-45

Observances for the week of December 19, 2021

S: 4th Sunday of Advent
M:
Tu: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
W:
Th: St. John of Kanty, Priest
F: Christmas Eve
Sa: The Nativity of the Lord



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—After Sunday Masses—

SERVED BY:

- 1st Sunday: Young Adults Group
- 2nd Sunday: Knights of Columbus
- 3rd Sunday: Epiphany CCW ladies
- 4th Sunday: Renewal Group



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Fall Raffle Event

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Tonia Edenfield



Christmas Basket Raffle

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Epiphany School is raffling off a
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Tickets are \$2.00 each and can be purchased either at the school or from any Epiphany School student/family. Drawing will be Wed., Dec. 15th at 8:00 am. For more info please contact the school office.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Baby Jesus' Wish List

Odds are you've got a Christmas list going by now — gift ideas for everyone from your nephew to your goddaughter to your mailman. But what about the birthday boy? What's the gift Jesus gets from you this Christmas?

If you've ever read the Book of Leviticus, you know all about the sacrifices God asks of the Israelites, referred to in the reading from Hebrews today. Leviticus can be a chore to read — a little repetitive, a little intimidating. There's a lot of very specific actions that God asks His Chosen People to complete to make up for whatever they have done wrong. In essence, it's a bit of a wish list for gifts.

But it's a wish list that can really confuse you. What's God going to do with a cereal offering? The kidneys of an animal? If you look closely, what God is doing here is beautiful. He's customized his wish list to only those things He knows the Israelites can give. It's God saying, in what amounts to theological baby-talk for folks who barely know of Him and His ways, exactly how they could be stewards. "Do this, but don't do that. If you do that, do this and you will find My mercy."

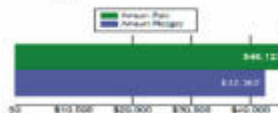
Our guide to stewardship — the Gospels of Christ — is less precise because by the time of Christ, God's people have grown in understanding of love and mercy and relationship with the divine. Through Christ, we find out that God's real wish list didn't really consist of cereal offerings and the kidneys of various animals. It's far simpler, but luckily, it's something we still have on-hand. All He wants is our whole heart.

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BASA Weekly Summary Report By Parish
2021 Bishop's Appeal Through 12/30/2021

Parish #	2021				2020	2019	Incl/Exc 2021 vs. 2020	Diocesan Statistics			
	2021	2020	2019	Incl/Exc 2021 vs. 2020				2021	2020	Incl/Exc	
9000								\$4,750,000	\$5,000,000	(\$250,000)	
Parish Name	Epiphany - Lake City							Amount Pledged	\$4,361,484	\$4,609,840	(\$248,356)
Parish Participation Goal	34.9%							Amount Paid	\$4,316,904	\$4,399,892	(\$82,988)
Participation Goal (No. Donors)	132						No. Donors	11,200	13,482	-2,282	
Active Family Count	628	628	679	-			Average GR	\$387.68	\$331.77	\$55.92	
No. Donors	122	102	148	20			Family Participation	19.81 %	22.27 %	-3.26 %	
Family Participation	19.88 %	16.32 %	21.86 %	3.36 %			Pray for the Appeal	108	7		
Amount Pledged	\$42,362	\$36,520	\$52,110	\$11,642							
Amount Paid	\$40,122	\$36,378	\$51,448	\$10,748							
Balance Due	(\$2,240)	\$142	\$679	(\$1,000)							
Pray for the Appeal	1	0	2								





Happy Anniversary

December

18 John Pax	20 Rita Klenk
18 Ramon Angeles	22 Erma Klein
18 Danon Dumas	22 Audrey Harnen
18 Skylar Zieghaus	22 Ezekiel Howard
18 Sydney Zieghaus	23 Alex Mathe
19 Maryann Carisi	23 Christopher Romero
19 Jessica Natale	24 Monty Stephens
19 Taylor Shaw	24 Jhon Harold
19 Sarah Zieghaus	24 Barbara Thomas
19 Seth Zieghaus	24 Jessica Rodriguez
20 JoAnn Cassidy	24 Desiree Davis
20 Gloria Hunt	24 Angie Dominguez

December 18

Thomas & Sarah Morrison

December 19

Ronald & Deborah Bimonte

Noel & Nicole Rovera

December 21

Barry & Corazon Howard

December 22

Charles & Kum Lopez

Final Things to Do in the Final Week of the Year of St. Joseph

By Shaun McAfee



6. Follow St. Joseph's Example as a Parent

Fatherhood is the most critical component of our reflection this year (isn't it always?). Pope Francis writes, "Being a father entails introducing children to life and reality." And so I encourage parents to double down on their commitment as parents to the spiritual well-being of their children. Pray as a family, be gentle, patient and forgiving — and silent if necessary — at all times but especially when challenges enter the home. Don't forget to fight the culture and shield kids from the culture in decline.

7. Memorize the *Patris Corde* prayer

Saint Teresa of Ávila wrote, "Those who give themselves to prayer should in a special manner have always a devotion to St. Joseph; for I know not how any man can think of the Queen of the angels, during the time that she suffered so much with the Infant Jesus, without giving thanks to St. Joseph for the services he rendered them then." In that vein, recite and memorize the prayer from *Patris Corde*:

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.**

Christmas Flower Remembrance

This year we will offer our beautiful Christmas Poinsettias to be placed near the altar, in honor or memory of your loved ones.

Our church is breathtakingly beautiful all year, but at Christmas the poinsettias reflect the glory of God's coming at the Nativity of the Lord.

The suggested donation is \$12 per plant. Donation envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please print legibly on the envelope the person(s) name you wish to remember and the donor name on the reverse. The envelopes with the remembrances will remain at the altar throughout the Christmas season and a future bulletin will list the names of the loved ones.

Please honor a loved one with a poinsettia and help Epiphany Church to have the look of Christ's splendor this Christmas Season



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Please submit all bulletin additions

and updates to the office by

5:00 PM on Mondays.

Almost Here

This is the last weekend of Advent. Christmas follows soon. How fruitful has our Advent been?

Our Lord entered our world that those who believe in him might be saved. We must decide to believe. We must put God first. We must desire union with God – Father, Son, and Spirit – above all else. Jesus' Incarnation shows his desire to be close to us. He already is. However, we must embrace that fact. More than anything, we must stop running from him.

As we conclude this Advent, we can resolve to make nothing more important than our encounter with Jesus Christ and the subsequent relationship with him. He came to us. Let us now go to him.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

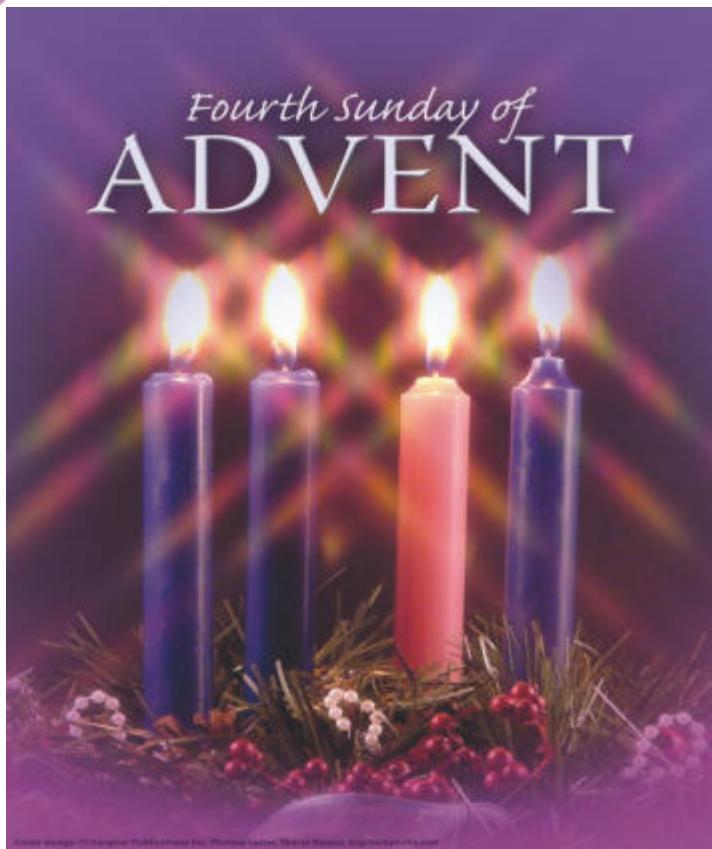
Question: Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

Answer: Epiphany means “manifestation,” or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew's infancy narrative differs from Luke's account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph's long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.

Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact?

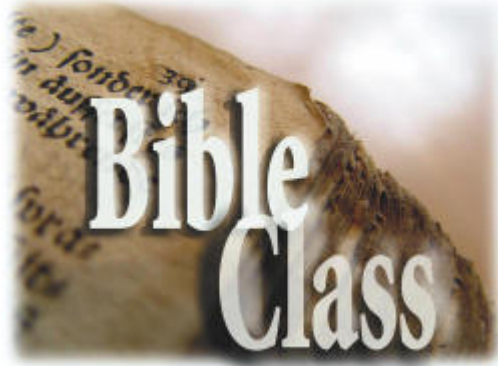


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for the main unit at Columbia Correctional Institute with 800 prisoners being moved to the main unit from Baker CI. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office (386) 752-4470.

~ Thank you,
Epiphany Prison Ministry





Please join us for the Wednesday Morning **WORD OF GOD** Bible Study Wednesday, December 8 at from 9:30am –11:30am (and will meet weekly) in the Church Meeting Room. Come listen, learn and share! For more information, contact Georgianna Serro-ni at 386-344-4987.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER



Seeking Volunteers to Assist with the following

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If you are interested, please contact Rita Klenk at rklenk@ecslc.org
Or (386)752-2320 for more details.



Epiphany Parish CCD Program begins Sunday, September 12th at 9:15AM for grades 1 thru 8. Classes will be held in-person at Epiphany School. Social distancing protocols will be followed. Registrations are available on the table at the rear of the Social Hall. You can drop your registration off at the Church Office or scan and send your completed form to Susi Pittman, DRE, at susique711@gmail.com. If you have any questions call 697-7312.

***IMPORTANT: ALL Sacrament classes are two years. 1st Holy Communion requires completion of 1st & 2nd Grade. Confirmation requires completion of 7th & 8th Grades.**

NEW RCIA YEAR

Our 2021 - 2022 Inquiry Year begins September 16 at 6:00PM. Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Have you been away from the Church a while? Are you searching for answers about Jesus? Come join us. Our group is an inquiry group focused on history, spirituality, tradition, tenets and truths. All questions welcomed and answered. **For further info call Susi Pittman 697-7312**

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?



There is hope after abortion.

It's common but often unspoken - to grieve the loss of a child by abortion. It may seem that nothing can fill the emptiness of one's heart. Be assured that there is forgiveness, hope and healing. Many women and men have participated in diocesan Project Rachel Ministries and been transformed by God's merciful love.

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available from Project Rachel Ministry.

For more information on abortion healing and find help for you or someone you know, visit "[Hope After Abortion](https://www.hopeafterabortion.org)" or in Spanish www.Esperanzaposaborto.org.



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REMEMBER
in your prayers

Please include the following sick and homebound from our parish in your daily prayers. Please email the office to renew a listing.

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Betsy Atkinson
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Lorraine Burns
Beverly Ann Bellucio
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