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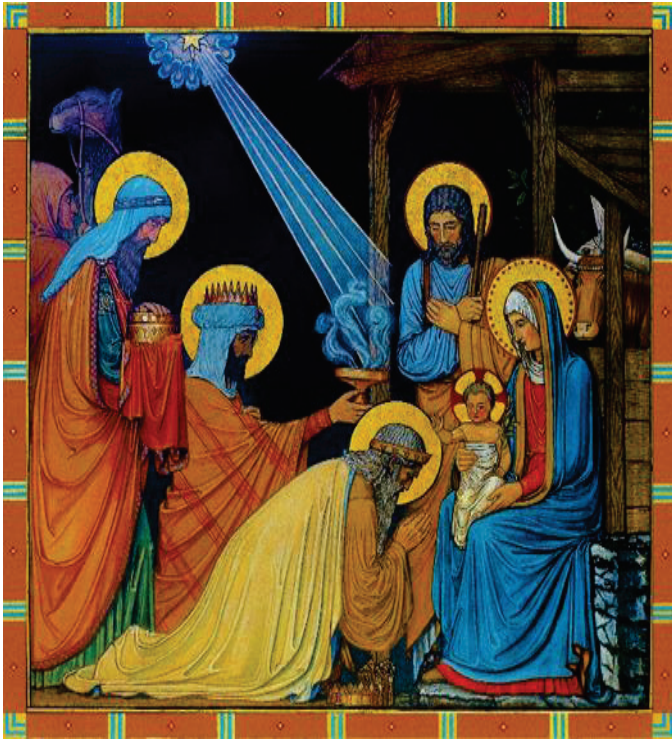
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Epiphany of the Lord



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today we celebrate another great feast of the Christmas season, the Epiphany or manifestation of the newborn Saviour to the wise men of the East who are representative of all the Gentile nations for whom the Son of God also became incarnate. Christ is revealed as the Light for all people. Do we bring the Light of Christ to others as we should? The Person and mission of Christ were further manifested at His baptism and by His first miracle at Cana.



Thank You 

At Christmas time Fr. Jeff wishes to acknowledge the generous support and edifying example of parishioners who helped our parish prepare for and celebrate the feast of our Saviour's birth. Thanks to all who contributed to the parish, and the St. Vincent de Paul Society this Christmas. Thank you for making Christmas happier for those in need. We must also thank all who made our church and the liturgy so beautiful this Christmas. Fr. Jeff and our secretary Jean wish to thank those who brought or sent cards, gifts or Christmas greetings, and to all parishioners and friends who expressed in many different ways their warm support and best wishes. May the celebration of the birth of our Saviour this Christmas fill your hearts with joy. In the New Year 2022 may God continue to bless our parish family with love and faith. Like Mary, let us open our lives to Jesus and carry Him in our hearts to all we meet.



THE DATE OF EASTER

In former times, when calendars were not available and most people could neither read nor write, the date of Easter was solemnly proclaimed at Mass on Epiphany. It was necessary to announce the date of Easter at the beginning of the year because many other liturgical celebrations depend on its date. Easter is the Christian Passover, celebrating our liberation from sin through the Paschal Mystery of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. It is observed in the spring around the same time as the Jewish Passover which celebrates Israel's liberation from slavery in Egypt. Since the fourth century, the Church has celebrated the Lord's Pasch on the Sunday following the first full moon of spring. Thus the date of Easter varies from year to year falling between March 22 and April 25. Although the dates of Easter and other feasts are now calculated and accessible years in advance, the traditional Epiphany proclamation still has value. It is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith which are commemorated each year.

The following is the Proclamation for 2022:

Know, dear brothers and sisters that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour. On the second day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the seventeenth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the twenty-ninth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the fifth day of June, the feast of Pentecost. On the nineteenth day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the twenty-seventh day of November, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We still have a number of Offertory Envelopes that have not been picked up yet. Maybe you haven't had the chance, or people have moved and not informed us. ~ if you have not had the chance to pick up your 2022 Offertory Envelopes yet, please do so as soon as possible by calling the parish office to arrange a time when you are available. If you are unable to pick-up your envelopes due to mobility issues and would like for us to drop them off at your home please notify the office and we can arrange this for you.

A GENTLE REMINDER

While we are on the subject of Offertory Envelopes, we have been asked by the "Counters" if we would mention the following:

(a) Please do not use tape or staples on your Offertory Envelopes. (b) Also, please write clearly the amount of your donation on the envelope ~

To spare the counters that chore and because Jean, our secretary, records your donation from the information on empty envelopes. These things will help make counting go smoothly and ensure that accurate amounts are recorded, for Income Tax purposes. Thank you for your continued generosity and understanding.



Masses For The Week

Monday	3 January	
		<i>Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>
10:00 a.m.	_____	
Tuesday	4 January	
9:00 a.m.	_____	
Wednesday	5 January	
7:00 p.m.	_____	
Thursday	6 January	
9:00 a.m.	_____	
Friday	7 January	<i>First Friday</i>
	<i>Friday is a day of penitential observance</i>	
	Saint Andre Bessette, religious	
12:10 noon	_____	
7:00 p.m.	_____	
Saturday	8 January	
10:00 a.m.	_____	
	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	
5:00 p.m.	_____	
Sunday	9 January	
10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners	
12:00noon	The repose of Emily Hamdam-Cox Req.by Cox & Cruz Family	





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