



**THOUGHTS FOR  
THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

In the Gospel today we find the Magi from the East dressed in exotic clothes, following a bright star in the desert. They did not know that the journey would change their lives profoundly. Perhaps you have a "star" in your life right now that is God's way of prompting you to take an unexpected journey. Your "star" may be something wonderful like a new relationship, a new child, or a new job. On the other hand, it may be something hurtful such as a broken relationship, a financial setback or an illness. Whatever it is, let God guide you, as the star guided the Magi. You may not journey over land, your journey may be an inner adventure, that of your soul trying to find God. The gifts you bear may be humility, suffering, praise, or joy, all equally acceptable to God. Accept your journey with great expectations. Then, like the magi who ended their journey standing before Christ, you will find yourself in the presence of our loving God, the perfect light. As you journey toward your star, what gifts do you bring to Jesus?



**Feast of Light - January 2, 2022**

*On this day, dear Savior,  
Your light shines brightly in our midst.  
You are the Light of the World,  
the Light in our darkness ever with us,  
ever showing us the way.  
On this great Feast of Light,  
when the Magi came guided by a star,  
may we, like them, offer Your gifts  
that symbolize our love to You.  
May we offer You the gold of our faith,  
the myrrh of our repentance  
and the frankincense of our devotion.  
May we bow before you, Holy Savior, as the three  
Wise Men did with great and abiding joy.  
On this day, may we, too, stand in Your light  
and so give glory to our God.*  
**AMEN**

**PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR**

*Lord, make the New Year a happy one.....  
Not by shielding us from sorrow and pain,  
but by strengthening us to bear it if it comes.*

*Not by taking hardship from us,  
but by taking all cowardice and fear from  
our hearts as we meet hardships.*

*Not by making our paths easy,  
but by making us sturdy enough to  
treat any pain.*

*Not by granting unbroken sunshine,  
but by keeping our faces bright  
even in the shadow.*

*Not by making our lives always pleasant,  
but by showing us where Your cause needs us  
most and by making us zealous to be there  
and to help.*

*God Make Our Year A Happy One!*



A sincere thank you to everyone who so generously  
donated gifts for the Advent Giving Tree.

**70 children were given gifts and  
blessed through your kindness!**



**SPECIAL RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES – 2022**

- Day of Prayer and Penance (USA): Sat., Jan.22
- Word of God Sunday: Sun., Jan. 23
- National Catholic Schools Week: Sun., Jan. 30 - Feb. 5
- World Day for Consecrated Life: Wed., Feb.2
- World Day of the Sick: Fri., Feb. 11
- World Day of Prayer for Vocations: Sun., May 8
- National Day of Prayer: Thurs., May 5
- World Day for Social Communications: Sun., May 29
- World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation: Thurs., Sept. 1
- Respect Life Sunday: Sun., Oct. 2
- World Mission Sunday: Sun., Oct. 23
- National Vocations Awareness Week: Nov. 6 - 12

**MASSES FOR**

**JANUARY 3 - 9, 2022**

*Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead, however the following are specifically remembered this week.*

**Monday, January 3 – Christmas Weekday**

7:30 am - 74<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Remembrance -  
Robert J. Cicione by wife, Marie  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Tuesday, January 4 – Christmas Weekday  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

7:30 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

**Wednesday, January 5 – Christmas Weekday**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration - Spanish  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Thursday, January 6 – Christmas Weekday**

7:30 am - Robert J. Cicione - 1 Year Remembrance  
by wife & family

**Friday, January 7 – Christmas Weekday**

7:30 am - Intention of Priest Celebrant  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Saturday, January 8 – Christmas Weekday**

8:00 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, January 8**

**5:00 pm**

Kenneth A. Izzo – Month Mind Remembrance  
by Robert & Donna DiMartino  
Yolanda O'Rourke by son, Steven

**6:30 pm** - Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, January 9  
Baptism of the Lord**

**8:00 am**

Intentions of Parishioners

**9:30 am** - Mass in Spanish

**11:30 am**

Silvio Gliottone  
Joseph Pennacchia  
Carmella Vecchio

**2022 Mass Intentions**

The scheduling of Mass Intentions for next year are now being accepted. Every Mass will be a Community Mass, offered for every intention requested; in this way every family will be considered. An offering should be given at the time of scheduling. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Sanctuary Candle & Altar Bread & Wine*

*In Memory of*

***Robert J. Cicione  
by wife & family***



**Baptized in Christ**

Elif Grace Cortorreal Laureano  
Janevieve Ysabella Compres

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**WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT**

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**Weekend of December 24 - 26, 2021**

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets  
\$7,416.00