



**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 3, 2021

*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*.

**18 families and 57 children were assisted and
blessed through your kindness!**



SPECIAL RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES – 2021

- Day of Prayer and Penance (USA): Fri., Jan.22
- National Catholic Schools Week: Sun., Jan. 31 - Feb. 6
- World Day for Consecrated Life: Tues., Feb.2
- World Day of the Sick: Thurs., Feb. 11
- World Day of Prayer for Vocations: Sun., April 25
- National Day of Prayer: Thurs., May 6
- World Day for Social Communications: Sun., May 16
- World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation: Wed., Sept. 1
- Respect Life Sunday: Sun., Oct. 3
- World Mission Sunday: Sun., Oct. 24
- National Vocations Awareness Week: Nov. 7 - 13

**MASSES FOR
JANUARY 4 - 10, 2021**

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

Monday, January 4 - Christmas Weekday

7:30 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, January 5 - Christmas Weekday

7:30 am - Intention of Priest Celebrant

Wednesday, January 6 - Christmas Weekday

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

Thursday, January 7 - Christmas Weekday

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

Friday, January 8 - Christmas Weekday

7:30 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

Saturday, January 9 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 am - Intentions of Parishioners

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, January 9

5:00 pm

Yolanda O'Rourke by son, Steven

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, January 10
Baptism of the Lord**

8:00 am

Charles Beaune

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Orlando Giansanti, Jr.
Vincenza Tirocchi

2021 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.

SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN

Because our weekly parish bulletin can no longer be paid by ads on the back page, we are hoping to help defray this expense by asking parishioners to come forward each week by sponsoring the bulletin with a donation of **\$40.00**. Please call the parish office if you wish to help.

+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.
(Increased Giving Campaign)

December 24 & 25

\$3,813.00

Weekend of December 26 & 27

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

\$3,014.00



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ALTAR BREAD & WINE:**

Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

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