



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 8, 2023

*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

THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

On Monday, January 9th, the Christmas Season draws to a close as we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. Jesus chose to be baptized to show us how to be washed free from sin and receive the Holy Spirit into the temple of our body. The Holy Spirit fills us with the grace, strength, blessings, & gifts we need to live our lives empowered like Jesus to love, comfort, & heal others. We are God’s beloved children in whom He is well pleased! Jesus came to do the will of God; by our baptism we also are entrusted to preach and teach the Gospel. We seek to please the Lord in all that we do!



Reflection

You are Christmas -

every time you smile to help make the world a brighter place.

You are Christmas -

every time you laugh and let the sound join with happy music of the world.

You are Christmas -

every time you speak a word of faith to some fearful soul along an unpaved road.

You are Christmas -

every time you pray a prayer for those who need your very special blessings.

You are Christmas - -

every time your loving hand goes out of the way to give that extra special service.

A sincere thank you to the **Nardolillo Funeral Home** for their generous donation of beautiful 2023 Religious Calendars to our parishioners. Each family is welcome to take home a calendar. Our heartfelt thanks to the Nardolillo Family.

ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS AS A FAMILY God bless those who attend Mass as a family! It is an excellent example for children as they are growing up to attend Mass with their parents. Our parish is fortunate to have a special “Crying Room” for parents with small children where they are able to attend Mass. All are welcome!

**MASSES FOR
JANUARY 9 - 15**

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

Monday, January 9

7:30 am – The Baptism of the Lord
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, January 10

7:30 am – Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

Wednesday, January 11

7:30 am – Intention of Priest Celebrant
5:30 pm – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Thursday, January 12

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Friday, January 13

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners
3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Saturday, January 14

8:00 am – In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm

Angel Acosta Linares by family
Deceased Members of Crugnale & Rainone Families
by Donna & Donald
Lottie Menna – 1st Year Remembrance

6:30 pm

Mass in Spanish

Sunday, January 15

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 am

Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters
Arthur & Mary Del Padre by Virginia
Pierino DeVincenzis by wife & children
Antonio & Maria Annina Marinucci by Peter & Lillian



**Sanctuary Candle &
Altar Bread & Wine:**

*Margaret Canzonieri
Carmino Caparco*

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