



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Times: M, W, Th, F 8:30 a.m.

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Holy Hour: Friday: 3:00 p.m.

*We pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary before Mass at 5:00 PM Saturday and 8:25 AM Sunday. The Rosary and Chaplet is also prayed after weekday Masses.

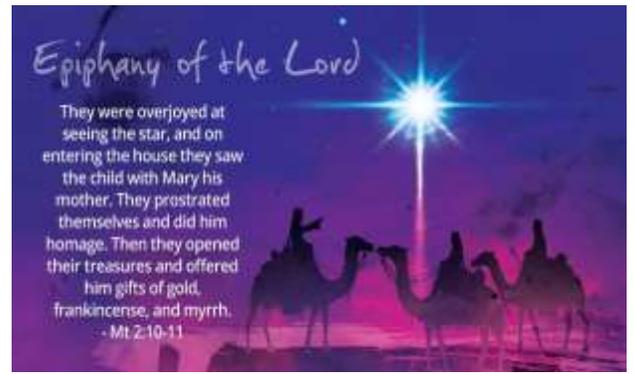
Confessions: Saturday: 12:00 noon, Sunday: 8:00 a.m., after Holy Hour, after Mass, or any time by appointment.

Religious Education: grades 1-11 on Sunday: 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. –Contact Fr. Fairman

Catholic Charities: (814) 944-9388, call Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

January 3, 2021

Epiphany of the Lord



LITURGY -January 2-10

SATURDAY

5:30 PM

January 2

Scott Dalle Valle by Family

SUNDAY

9:00 AM

January 3

All Members of the Parish

MONDAY

8:30 AM

January 4

Julia May by a Friend

TUESDAY

8:30 AM

January 5

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM

January 6

Mary Ann Clingerman
by James Whisker

THURSDAY

8:30 AM

January 7

Juanita Kern by James Whisker

FRIDAY

9:00 AM

January 8

Mary & Betty Callion
by James Whisker

3:00 PM

Eucharistic Holy Hour

SATURDAY

5:30 PM

January 9

Katharine Dively
by Bob & Kathie Spargo

SUNDAY

9:00 AM

January 10

All Members of the Parish

PRAYER LIST: Jeff Dull, Kathleen Yingling, Casey Clark, Linda Wertz, Delayne Shoup, Gloria Mellott, Tony Dagostino, Shirley Hoffman, Gary Schetrompf, Tara Musselman, Krista Besselman, River Troutman, Donna Taylor, Jean Wilt, Sue Durr, Richard Koontz, Layla Grace Smith, Anne Majcher, Joette Reid, Terry Young, Declan McCahan, Ryan Wigfield, Rosa Davis, Pat Waltman, Bev Summerville, Hope Burkett, Pete Schetrompf, Don Weaverling, Jane Cunard, Linda Wigfield, Joe Summerville, Marie Smith, Bradley Foor, J.B. Whisker, Jackie Verdiglione, Pat Young, Rose and Ben Feight, Helen Snyder, Kathleen Tomkosky, Nancy Stolarski and Fr. John Ellias

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Rose Schetrompf, Julie Naglic's mother**, who entered eternal life last week.

(Please call to add or remove a name once the person is recovered or no longer in need of special prayer. If you are placing someone other than a family member on the list, please be sure to have their permission first.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL: Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the collection basket so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child. **In the spirit of the Magi and through your gifts we were able to provide 34 families with assistance during the month of December: Electric – 8, Food – 2, gas – 1, Heating oil – 4, Overnight housing – 1, Rent – 1, and 17 families with Christmas food vouchers provided by the parishioners of St. John's Church in Everett. We want to express our thanks and gratitude for your support during 2020 and we wish everyone a peaceful and healthier 2021. May God bless you!**

For more information call 814 979-0272. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION January 3

Saint Paul spoke to the Ephesians of the "stewardship of God's grace." God has entrusted us with so many gifts and talents, the breath of life, and the very means by which we can sustain our existence. As disciples of Jesus we are called to use these things to build the kingdom of God; to make the Body of Christ strong; to change the world. **(Stewardship: A Disciple's Response Response in a Nutshell, Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS, www.4LPi.com)**

The three magi from the east paid homage to the Infant Jesus with their "first fruits and gifts" of gold, frankincense and myrrh. What gifts have I presented to the newborn Savior that reveal who I am as a steward of God's kingdom?

SUNDAY OFFERING	
December 27, 2020	
Weekly:	\$1,665.00
Christmas:	\$2,761.00
Memorial for:	
Anne Marie Brown:	\$200.00
Thank You!	

2ND COLLECTION: This weekend, Jan 2-3, we will have our annual Local Needs collection for the Everett Food Pantry. Please use your Monthly envelope.

2021 ENVELOPES: Please pick up your envelopes for 2021 in the Gathering Space. If you aren't here on the weekend, the church is open on weekdays. Please let us know if you can't find yours or if we need to correct your name or address.

The Magi and the star

The *Magi* were not Kings, but a caste of Persian priests who served Kings by using their skills in interpreting dreams and the movements of the stars. The sixth century Italian tradition that the magi finding Jesus were three, Magi, Casper, Balthazar, and Melchior, is based on the fact that three gifts are mentioned in Matthew's Gospel: gold, frankincense and myrrh. "Matthew nowhere says that there were three wise men from the East. This assumption has probably been drawn from the fact that three gifts are mentioned, and it could easily be presumed that each of the Magi brought one, although this is going beyond what the text itself says. "They are supposed to have been kings, but this stems from a very literal translation of a psalm verse: 'The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts' (Ps 72:10). Ancient depictions of them never involved symbols of royalty, but simply the Phrygian cap and garments of noble Persians" (Dr. M Watson).

A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Do not let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in this New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.



Some prayers:



Our Lady of Guadalupe (From the USCCB):

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and
deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and
fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.
In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and
to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and
to our hearts.
We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate
mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.
Amen.



Also: An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace
You as if You were already there and unite myself
wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated
from You.
Amen.

