



Epiphany





The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things.

*Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.

**TODAY'S READINGS:**

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

**"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."**

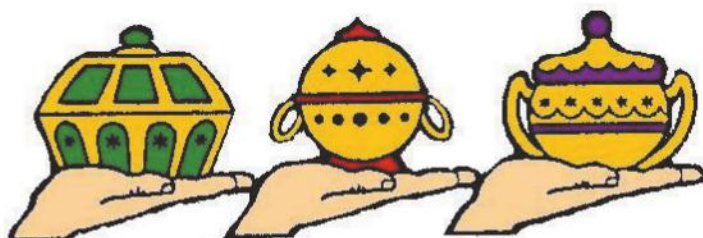
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our Christmas masses! Whether you came to help decorate, set up chairs, helped with scheduling, or served at one or more masses, we want you to know how much we appreciate you!

It is amazing to see how we have grown and flourished since we officially became Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church this past February. We are very blessed, indeed.

We wish all of you a Happy New Year filled with love, good health, and prosperity. God Bless!



**AND THEY WORSHIPPED**

**Masses for the Week**

**Saturday, January 2**

5:00 pm Pro Popula

**Sunday, January 3**

7:30 am Nita Cardinal and Lonnie Brichalt (†)

9:00 am

11:30 am

**Monday, January 4**

*Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton*

9:00 am

**Tuesday, January 5**

*Saint John Neumann*

**Wednesday, January 6**

*Saint Andre Bessette*

6:00 pm

**Thursday, January 7**

*Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest*

9:00 am

**Friday, January 8**

9:00 am

*If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, and/or you would like to have a mass dedicated to someone, please call the parish office.*



Dear Parishioners,

Happy 2016! Why not help our own parish prepare for this new year by signing up with Faith Direct? By supporting Saint Martin de Porres through Faith Direct, both you and our parish can more easily project your future contributions.

You can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **TX706**, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

God Bless,  
Rev. Richard Kirkham

**Weekly Offering**

*Please make checks out to Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Church*

Week ending December 22, 2015

Weekly Need:	\$5,000.00
Offertory Collection:	\$4,069.52
Faith Direct:	\$2,620.00
Annual Need to Date:	\$125,000.00
Annual Collection to Date:	\$124,966.00

**- \$34.00**



- If you ordered contribution envelopes for 2016, they were ordered, and will be ready for pick-up after mass soon.
- Our parish is in need of many volunteers for different jobs. If you have some spare time and want to help, please contact **Rose** (rose@saintmartindp.org) or **Anne** (anne@saintmartindp.org) in the parish office. Visit our website to learn about the different ways you can serve in our parish: [www.saintmartindp.org/ministries](http://www.saintmartindp.org/ministries).
- Did you leave something behind after mass? Please check the lost and found basket in the parish office!
- Liturgical ministers are asked to check-in 15 minutes before mass. If you are not scheduled, please see the sacristan to see if you are needed.
- Choir Practice: the 9:00 am mass ensemble rehearses at 8:25am on Sunday, and the 11:30 am mass ensemble rehearses at 10:30am.
- No parking in the fire lane at any time.

*If you have a submission for the bulletin, please contact Anne Savoie (anne@saintmartindp.org) by Monday at 5 pm.*



St. Martin de Porres Catholic School  
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- ♦ St. Martin de Porres Catholic School students will be on Christmas break until Monday, January 4.
- ♦ We have **5 seats available for a partial day program in PreK3!** This is a 5-day program from 8:15 am until 12:00 pm. Students must be 3 years of age, on or before September 1, 2015. For more information, please contact **Nancy Kirkpatrick**, Principal, at nkirkpatrick@smdpcatholic.org.



The Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites welcomes you to attend a continuing series of discussions of Carmelite Spirituality. These will be held on the second Saturday of each month at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Denton, Room 207, 2:30-3:30 pm, starting January 9, 2016.

Contact [amdawson33@gmail.com](mailto:amdawson33@gmail.com) or [paul.dworak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:paul.dworak@sbcglobal.net) for more information about these sessions or to learn about membership in the secular order.



Thank you to everyone who purchased items from and/or gave money towards our wish list!

The beautiful poinsettias on the altar were given in honor or in memory of the following:



Gary Bowling  
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Jerry and Lorretta Heald  
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