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SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2017

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 The Reverend Edward Owusu-Ansah, In Residence
 Deacon David Ciorciari, Weekday Assistant

OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm

**The Catholic Faith
 Community of
 Our Lady of Victory
 and the
 Church of St. Andrew**
Website: www.olvsta.org

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

MASSES

Saturday (Fulfills Sunday Obligation): 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:30, 10:00am, 12:15pm

Mon. - Fri.: 7:15, 8:00am

12:15, 1:05 (lower Chapel), 5:15pm

Saturday & Holidays: 12:15pm

Holy Day Vigil: 4:40, 5:15pm

Holy Days: 7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40, 11:40am

12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 4:40, & 5:15pm

CONFESSIONS

Mon. - Fri.: 8:00-8:30am, 12:45-1:30pm, 5:00-5:30pm

Sat.: 4:50-5:15pm

DEVOTIONS

SERVICES: Each day at 12:45pm

Monday: Miraculous Medal

Tuesday: St. Anthony

Wednesday: St. Jude

Thursday: The Holy Spirit

Friday: The Rosary

Saturday: The Rosary

1st Friday: Sacred Heart Novena

Fridays of Lent: Stations of the Cross

ALL DEVOTIONS FOLLOWED BY:

**Exposition & Benediction of the Most Blessed
 Sacrament until 5:00pm.**

BAPTISMS Sundays 1:00pm

ST. ANDREW'S

MASSES

Sunday: 12:10pm, 5:10pm

Monday - Friday: 12:10pm, 1:10pm

CONFESSIONS

15 minutes after each Mass

DEVOTIONS

Rosary and Novenas after 12:10 weekday Mass

PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Monday: 5:45pm – Legion of Mary
 (Our Lady of Victory)**

**4th Friday: 5:45pm – Patrician Catholic Discussion
 Group (Our Lady of Victory)**

As Announced: FiDi Catholic Young Adults

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD —January 8, 2017, Year A

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalms — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

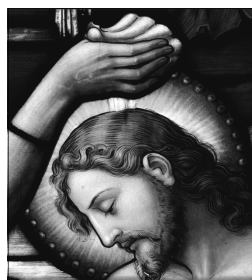
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
Monday: The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins
Friday: St. Hilary
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



CHALKING THE DOOR



There is a custom of blessing the one's home on the feast of the Epiphany. A traditional way of doing this is to use chalk to write above the home's entrance, 20 + C + M + B + 16. The letters C, M, B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and 2016 is the year.

Blessing the Chalk

V. Our help is the name of the Lord:

R. The maker of heaven and earth.

V. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in:

R. From this time forth for evermore.

Let us pray. *Loving God, bless this chalk which you have created, that it may be helpful to your people; and grant that through the invocation of your most Holy Name that we who use it in faith to write upon the door of our home the names of your holy ones Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, may receive health of body and protection of soul for all who dwell in or visit our home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Blessing the Home

Using the blessed chalk mark the lintel of your front door (or front porch step) as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 16 while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and fifteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then pray: *Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION



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This year, in the United States the celebration of the Epiphany falls on January 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is January 6. The date we know as January 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. Twenty centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to December 25. People still kept January 6 for the solstice celebration, but December 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of twelve days was celebrated just about everywhere.

Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in four themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was entirely too much for one day to handle. A twelve-day season was ready to be adapted, so Christians borrowed from the pagan calendar for their own season of light. Thus early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, December 25, to the older date, January 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World.

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MONK-EY BUSINESS

At a monastery high in the mountains, the monks have a rigid vow of silence. Only at Christmas, and only by one monk, and only with one sentence, is the vow allowed to be broken.

One Christmas, Brother Thomas is allowed to speak and he says, "I like the mashed potatoes we have with the Christmas turkey!" and he sits down. Silence ensues for 365 days.

The next Christmas, Brother Michael gets his turn, and he says "I think the mashed potatoes are lumpy and I hate them!"

Once again, silence for 366 days (it's leap year). The following Christmas, Brother Paul rises and says, "I am fed up with this constant bickering!"



Our Lady of Victory Church "Lifesaving" Blood Drive Thursday, January 26, 2017 11:30 am – 5:30 pm

60 William Street/ Lower Level Chapel

Appointments preferred,
but walk-ins always welcome!

To Schedule an appointment

Please contact: The Church

Phone: 212-422-5535

Email: parishmail@olvsta.org

*****Questions about
donating blood?*****

Please phone:

New York Blood Center Special
Donor Services

@ 1-800-688-0900

Please bring a photo or signature I.D.
or please bring your *NYBC Blood Donor Card
Please have balance meals prior to giving blood.
Walk-In Blood Donors are Welcome.



MUSIC AT SAINT ANDREW

We are happy to inform you that Miss Cynthia Weinrich will be returning to Saint Andrew to play the organ and sing for the 12:10 Masses on The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God, 1/1/17, and the Solemnity of the Epiphany, 1/8/17.

ENCOURAGE is a Catholic Apostolate for those who have family members with same sex attraction.

A new website has been created to help the faithful who are searching for information about Encourage, the Church's teachings on same sex attraction and spiritual support.

www.encycourage.com.



WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light



Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to Thy perfect light



Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity high
Prayer and praising, all men raising
Worship Him, God most high

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to Thy perfect light



Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
Breathes of life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to Thy perfect light

Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and Sacrifice
Alleluia, Alleluia
Earth to heav'n replies



O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to Thy perfect light

MASS INTENTIONS

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

7:30 am: Marianne T. Bogunovich
10:00 am: Christopher Carey
12:15 pm: Gab DeCarolis

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

7:15 am: Samantha Brown
8:00 am: Peter Wilson
12:15 pm: William Angrisani
1:05 pm: Mike Schmid
5:15 pm: Kenneth Newkirk

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

7:15 am: Anthony John & Marie D'Amato
8:00 am: Elaine Sanjurjo
12:15 pm: Daniel & Mary O'Donnell (L)
1:05 pm: Rosario Guinto
5:15 pm: Bernadette Flood

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

7:15 am: Patricia Ann Frank
8:00 am: Maria Grazia & Rose D'Amato
12:15 pm: Charles Gallagher
1:05 pm: Eduardo Abella
5:15 pm: Margaret D. Muccia

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

7:15 am: Rose D'Amato
8:00 am: Ann O'Sullivan
12:15 pm: Edward Brady (L)
1:05 pm: Phillip Murray
5:15 pm: Margaret D. Muccia

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

7:15 am: Christine Winter
8:00 am: Rita Howe
12:15 pm: Martin Thomas
1:05 pm: Stanistowa & Franciszek Kucharyk
5:15 pm: Margaret D. Muccia

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

12:15 pm: Rose D'Amato
5:15 pm: Margaret O'Connor

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

7:30 am: Andy Economopoulos

ST. ANDREW CHURCH

12:10 pm: Ronald Devuyt
5:10 pm: *Available*

12:10 pm: Muriel Kowalski
1:10 pm: Mrs. Marie J. Giorgio

12:10 pm: Edwin Vasquez
1:10 pm: Erich Kollmar

12:10 pm: Peter Trigubetz
1:10pm: Natalie Biagi

12:10 pm: Ruth Lacey
1:10pm: Erich Kollmar

12:10 pm: Healing prayers
for Mary Pulical
& Family
1:10pm: Anastasia Benedict

*No Saturday Mass at
St. Andrew's location*

12:10 pm: Lourdes, Necker
& Adler Scutt
5:10 pm: *Available*

