



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

...be the Light of Christ...

MASS TIMES SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

**Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am &
6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)**

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SEMINARIAN: Riley Maturin

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 6, 2019



*They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

Epiphany Proclamation: The Announcement of Easter and the Movable Feasts

Know, dear brethren, [brothers and sisters] that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior. On the sixth day of March will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the twenty-first day of April, you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the second day of June will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the ninth day of June, the feast of Pentecost. On the twenty-third day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the first day of December, the First Sunday of Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Appreciations

I cannot say thank-you enough for the beautiful Advent and Christmas décor for both Annunciation Church and St. Anthony Church. I appreciate the good work parishioners were able to accomplish. May God continue to keep us in his care.

Deacon Cormier, Deacon Gaudin, Seminarian Riley Maturin, Father Hebert and I also thank everyone for your good wishes and Christmas cards at Christmas. We appreciate and love you!!!

A Busy January

- ◆ The Women's ACTS Retreat Prayer Posters are available for parishioners to offer an hour of prayer during the retreat of January 24-27, 2019.
- ◆ I am on Retreat the beginning of January at St. Anthony Retreat in Three Rivers, CA. It is a six-day silent retreat. Please pray for me.
- ◆ Father Hebert and Riley Maturin are attending the Pro-life march in Washington, D.C. from January 16-20, 2019.
- ◆ We have a Pastor Rotation for the Eunice Catholic Pastors on Sunday, January 20, 2019 to begin the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
- ◆ Justin Fatica of Hard As Nails will be with us on Monday, January 28, 2019.
- ◆ Catholic Schools Week is from January 27-February 2, 2019.
- ◆ NOTE: We thank Fr. Henry Broussard for helping us with masses for every weekend in January. He will do

the weekend masses at Annunciation and the 7:00 a.m. mass at St. Anthony.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: In our church, on the feast of Epiphany, we write initials over the doorway. What does this stand for or mean?

Answer: Epiphany, like Christmas, is celebrated in various ways by different nationalities and cultures. The customs and traditions surrounding these days give them a distinct feel and meaning.

In many Slavic traditions, Epiphany is observed by marking the year on the mantle of the entrance to a room or house. In the center are the initials of the traditional names of the three wise men: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. The purpose is to ask God's blessing on the home, marking it as though the Wise Men had come and found therein the Christ Child. It reminds us of the marking of the doorways in Egypt with the blood of the lamb so that the angel of death would pass over. God's blessing comes to each home as a source of protection and grace.

In some places, Epiphany is celebrated much like a mini-Christmas. Gifts are exchanged in memory of the gifts of the Wise Men and special meals are prepared. In any event, the manifestation of Christ as the Light of the World is a time to seek God's blessing and rejoice in the gift of Jesus to us and to all the world.

Gospel for the Epiphany of the Lord, Years A, B, C - Matthew 2:1-12

"Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'" How strange to journey so far for perhaps so little. Of course the magi go to the capitol city. Of course they entreat with King Herod. Of course this is where they expect newborn royalty to be. But where is the child? "In Bethlehem of Judea," the scribes say. And so the magi go on to what is yet another Christmas miracle.

We don't know where the magi met the Christ Child, but it cannot have been lavish. Perhaps it was the stable. Perhaps it was a small hovel Joseph had found to wait out the census. But it would have been the home of a laborer, worn and threadbare. Here, in this unassuming abode, the magi are still "overjoyed...they prostrated themselves and did him homage."

Have you ever gotten to the end of a great work and found the results to be underwhelming? How did you respond? Were you disappointed or elated at God's providence and your

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MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

upended expectations? The magi journeyed hundreds of miles over treacherous terrain to pay homage to royalty they have seen prophesied in the stars. They encountered an ordinary family displaced from their home. This Sunday, the magi are an example for us. Can we see God in the unexpected? Do we encounter Him in the person who doesn't fit our expectations of propriety? Do we revere Christ's presence in the poor? Or do we expect to meet God only in places of honor and esteem? This week, ask God for the grace to honor Him in the unexpected places and unassuming people. He is waiting for you!

Questions of the Week

First Reading – Isaiah 60:1-6 - The prophet Isaiah spoke these words about 500 years before the birth of Christ. In what ways do you see Isaiah's prophecy fulfilled today?

Second Reading – Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 - St. Paul informs the Ephesians that "the mystery made known" to him "by revelation" was that the Gentiles are "coheirs" with the Jews "in the promise in Christ Jesus." This message was very reluctantly received. Why do you think some people struggle with the idea that God desires to save all people through His Son?

Gospel Reading - Matthew 2:1-12 - Matthew tells us the visit of the magi "greatly troubled" King Herod and all of Jerusalem. Why do you think the good news of Jesus Christ remains a threat to some people even today?

Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 7

6:15 a.m.: Swizerleen Kellar; Ashton Noel

Tuesday, January 8

12:00 p.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Dr. Jack, Lois & Robert Miller; Paula Guillory (*Liv.*); Faye Feucht; Red Aucoin; Sheila H. DeRouen; Fr. Tom Voorhies (*Liv.*)

Wednesday, January 9

6:15 a.m.:

Thursday, January 10

12:00 p.m.: Evelyn Sandell; Lindsey 'Red' Aucoin; Lula Birch; Fr. Joe Alexander (*Liv.*)

Friday, January 11

6:15 a.m.:

Saturday, January 12

4:00 p.m.: Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Glenn Durbin; Merita Guillory; Dr. Jack, Lois & Robert Miller;

Adam Fontenot (*Liv. - Birthday*); Lindsey 'Red' Aucoin

Sunday, January 13

The Baptism of the Lord

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Chase Ryan Manuel; Lurline Fuselier; Ashton Noel; Maria del Pilar Parrie

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; Mary Babineaux; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; Ross Andrus; M/M Johnny Godeaux; Loreta Godeaux; James & Ruth Marvin; Jeffery Babineaux; M/M Sidney Babineaux; Dean Godeaux family (*Liv.*); Sean Michael & Milly Rider (*Liv. - Wedding Anniversary*)

11:00 a.m.: Betty Lee

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle McManus; Carrie Joubert



PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Kayla Fontenot, Michael Lombas Dr. Scott & Deborah Eckholdt	Ben Bollich	Anna Chapman, Landon Daigle Anna Belle Fontenot, Peyton LaCombe
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:00 a.m.	Fr. Henry Broussard	Cliff Miller Ken Richard, Barry Soileau	Joanne Brinkman	Caroline Heinen, Isaac Russell Koy Trahan, Luke Trahan
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Sem. Riley Maturin Mitch Fontenot, Shelia Aucoin	Karl Aucoin	Juliana Arnaud, Alex Fontenot Camille Fontenot, Emile Soileau
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Vergie Ardoin, Donnie Darbonne Charles Feucht, Glenda Young	Kyle Deshotel	Avery McGee, Elizabeth McGee, Lauren McGee MC: Needed Thurifer: Jack Miller
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Sem. Riley Maturin Rickey & Angie Aguillard	Life Teen Member	Brad Miller Jr., Harry Summerlin III Blake Summerlin, Oscar Summerlin

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Frank McGee, Lindsey LeBlanc, Owen Thibodeaux, C.J. Matte, Berlane Boone, Elta Boone, Sherry Reed, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Linda Gaudin, Karl Comeaux, John LeJeune, Dr. Kevin LeJeune, Kert Leger, Tyler Bellow, Tyler Broussard, Bradley Bertrand, Raven Dupre, Wendy Huff, Claude DeVillier, Ann Duran, Craig Durbin, Jennifer Labbie, Lucien Montelaro, Philip Montelaro, Colleen Landreneau, Christine Duplechain, Gail Landreneau, Jesse Harrington, Joan Burson, Earline Prather, Veneda Hebert, Sybil Arabie, Hunter Vidrine, Madge Fontenot, Debby Zorn, Pauline Miller, C.J. Odom, Gerald Prudhomme, JoAnn Andrepont, Karen LeJeune, Ben Burson, Deborah Campbell, Taylor Lacombe, Brooks Lacombe, Jane Ellen McGee Ulery, Phillip Thevis.

*Pray for our troops &
peace in the world!*

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Mass Times when traveling,
please visit:
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MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, January 7

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
Elementary Faith Formation -- 4:00 p.m.
Jr. High Faith Formation -- 6:00 p.m.
A.C.T.S. Core --- 6:00 p.m. at Ministries Building
C.D.A. -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall.

Tuesday, January 8

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Women's ACTS Formation -- 6:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Wednesday, January 9

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.
St. Edmund All School Mass -- 9:00 a.m.
Men's A.C.T.S. Formation -- 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall.
R.C.I.A. -- 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More Hall.

Thursday, January 10

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.
Personal Financial Class: Financial Peace -- 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Friday, January 11

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, January 12

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 13

Baptism of the Lord

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Confirmation Session 2 -- 7:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.
Life Night -- 7:00 p.m. at Parish Hall.

2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

If you have made any contributions to the church through the envelope system or by bringing the contributions to the office -- your 2018 contribution statement will be available at the Rectory office. Call the office (457-5285) and leave your name and address -- and the contribution statement will be mailed to your home.

NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for February - March will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **January 22nd** to get your changes into the new schedule.



EUNICE AREA MEN'S RETREAT

The Eunice Area Men's Retreat will be held at Our Lady of Oaks Retreat House in Grand Coteau from Thursday night, January 31 to Sunday noon, February 3, 2019. Plan for a spiritually and physically refreshing weekend. For room reservations call Don Mayeux at 457-9610 or 457-7624.

2019 MASS BOOK OPENED

The 2019 Mass book is now open for scheduling Masses. Come to the Rectory during our regular office hours to schedule Masses for your loved ones -- living or deceased. Each Mass Intention is \$5.00.



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Midnight to 1 am; 2 pm, midnight.

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am;
Wed 8 am; Thurs 4 pm, Fri 7 am; Sat. 7 am, 3 pm

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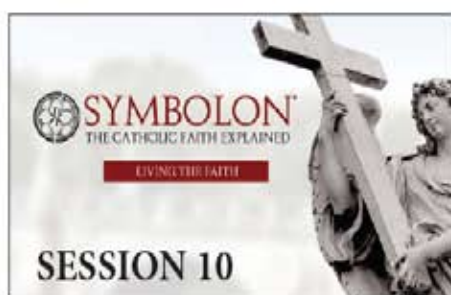
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Beginning Thursday, Jan. 10 @ 6:30 p.m. at Parish Hall
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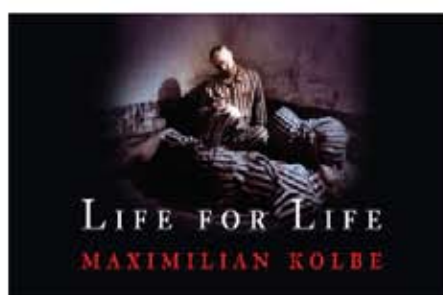
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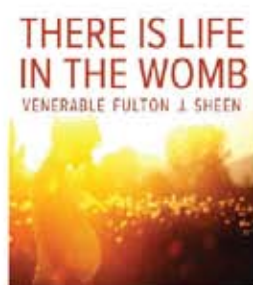
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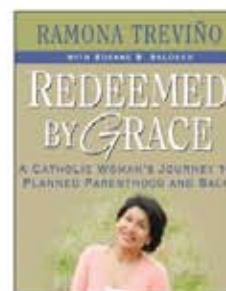
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