



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

- Mt 2:10

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Upcoming Second Offerings

Your generosity is appreciated.
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1/14 Menstasti Scholarship Fund

1/21 Church in Latin America

The Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh

The three wise men (kings) came from the east to offer their gifts to the newborn King. I am sure that the material gifts presented by the three kings were not of the same economic value, but there was no rancor and jealousy among them that one of them was offering gold which may be very costly and limited in the economic tradition of 2000 years ago, but the other two nonetheless accompanied him with their frankincense and myrrh, since that was what they could afford sincerely. Go back to the reading again and discover that they were prepared from home to come and pay homage. None of them came empty-handed; they had each brought something from home to present.



When family members line up in front of me to receive gifts from America, I always try to know the size by asking my brother what he thinks should be the shirt size (small, medium, large, X-Large, or XXL). Most of the time, we will get it correct, and a few times, the person will come back and say it is not my size, and provided we still have some clothes or shoes to give, they get a replacement. If not, we will simply say, give it to another person who you think would use it and come back next year. Everyone knows that was the tradition. But once upon a time, a young Nnamalueze came to say that he thought that the color of his shirt was not as bright as the one we gave to another Nnamalueze.

The young boy (Ebuka) came and stood by us, and my brother asked him what was wrong. Ebuka complained that the shirt given to him was not of bright colors. My brother took him by the side and started scolding him, saying, "You are an ingrate. Father gave you a shirt, and your worry is the color and not even the size. I am sure he will take it from you and give it to another person if he gets to know of it. Just walk home now, or I will tell Father." The young boy was adamant and obstinate. So, they reported it to me. I called him to come, and I asked him the one that was catching his eye, so he pointed to the young boy eating jollof rice in front of me. I called the boy (Ifeyanichukwu), swapped the shirt, and asked him if he was happy and contented, and he nodded his head. I told them to go home. One of the shirts was from Ross, and one of them was from Macy's. Because of his jealousy and greed, Eduka lost a shirt I bought for him specifically because, I had heard about his success in school, and I went to Macy's to get him a treat. But he wanted flashy colors. Accept your gifts and offer your gifts like the three Wisemen from the east. *-Fr. Gerald*

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday
12/24/2023

Fiscal Year To Date
7/1/23-12/24/2023

Goal	\$10,600	\$274,600.00
Collected	\$15,097.03	\$274,819.68
Over/(Short)	\$4,497.03	\$219.68

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Weekly Prayer

Mass Intentions

January 8- 14, 2023

Monday 8:30am

No Intention

Tuesday 8:30am

Sonia Delgado

Wednesday 8:30am

All Souls

Thursday 8:30am

No Intention

Friday 8:30am

Edmundo C. Lacson +

Saturday 8:00am

No Intention

Saturday 5:00pm

No Intention

Sunday 7:30am

No Intention

Sunday 9:00am

Audrey Zampedri +

Sunday 10:30am

Kieran Coyle +

Sunday 12:15pm

For All Parishioners

Sunday 7:00pm

No Intention

We pray for those who are ill or suffering from loneliness, sadness, or depression. We pray for those who care for them. We pray for our deceased family and friends. We pray for our men and women who are serving in the military.



This week we pray especially for those who are ill or preparing for surgery:

Mary Lee Bottelli,
Kane David Carlin,
Susy Carter, Diane Cribari,
Ursula Duncan,
Kathleen Farinas,
Rodolfo Feliciano, Pilar Ferrer,
Patrick Foster,
Henry Goldenberg,
Ray Grotzinger,
Curtis Hambrick, Sr. ,
Clorinda Hite, Balwant Khaira,
Efrain Linares, Joe Lombardi,
Shirley McDonell,
Angelina Medina,
Caridad Mendoza,
Deacon Greg Ortiz, Jr.,
Janet Osbourne, Mark Walsh,
Maria Vergano,
Thelma Vergel de Dios

and for those who have died this week.



Saint of the week

St. Tarcisius was a 12-year-old boy who lived in 3rd-century Rome. Although much of what is known of him is from a poem written by Pope Damasus (366-384), he is considered an important martyr who protected the Eucharist from desecration with his life.

Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord,
With thanksgiving we entrust our year to You: whatever it holds, whoever we encounter, wherever we traverse. What You supply is gift. May our comings and goings be aligned with Your will. Amen.

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY NEWS

*Catechesis is more than just religious education.
It is a life long journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ.*



Ongoing Faith Formation Has Begun and It's Not too Late to Register!

4yr olds and Kindergarten: Sunday, 9-10:00 a.m.
1st grade – Jr. High: Sunday, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Registration forms are available at st-justin.org or in the Parish Office.

Sacramental Preparation Program (2nd grade and up)

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Your child must be baptized. You may register for this program if your child has already completed one full year of Ongoing Faith Formation with consistent attendance or was enrolled at a Catholic School last year. Concurrent enrollment in our Ongoing Faith Formation Program or a Catholic School. Registration forms will be mailed for returning students, and are available on the Parish website beginning in August.



High School Confirmation Program

Sunday, January 7th

Session: *Relationships*

4:15-6:45 p.m.

Parish Ministry Center

Contact noel.balce@dsj.org for more information.

RCIA

This program is for adults who are seeking baptism, or were baptized Catholic but have not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. This is a process marked by liturgical rites that are celebrated with the community. This process is centered on the Sunday readings and includes attending Mass. For more information email laura.ortiz@dsj.org



Holy Baptism

Infant Baptism

Our next infant baptism preparation class is
Wednesday, January 17th at 7 p.m.

Please email laura.ortiz@dsj.org to register.

MINISTRY NEWS

COMMUNITY MINISTRY



HANDS TO SERVE - WE NEED HELP!

"Let us not be satisfied with just giving money. . . I would like more people to give their hands to serve and their hearts to love."

(Mother Teresa)

St. Justin Community Ministry is very appreciative of the generosity of its parishioners, who have supported its mission over so many years. We are now experiencing some needs that require "hands to serve" to keep our operation running and to relieve the pressures on those volunteers who work so hard on its behalf.

The St. Justin Pantry served over 2,800 individuals and 460 families in the month of July. It requires a lot of volunteer work, coordination, and outreach to make this happen every month!

Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time each month to help with the following tasks in the St. Justin Pantry:

1) HELP with picking up grocery donations at our local

Lucky supermarket

Days: Sun thru Sat
Time: 7:30 – 10 am



2) HELP with registering clients and distributing lunches

Days: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat
Time: 9:15 am - 12:15 pm



3) HELP with unloading Second Harvest Food Bank deliveries

Day: Friday
Time: 8:30 - 9:30 am

IMPORTANT: You may volunteer once a week, every other week, or once a month. Any of those options will be appreciated!

If you can fill any of these needs or would like more information, please contact our Food Pantry Manager, Nancy Uyeda at (408) 296-1193 ext. 105



Readings for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday:

Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday:

1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday:

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday:

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday:

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Though the magi did not know where the star of Bethlehem would lead, they trusted that God would be with them along the way. Let us all embrace that same faith as we go about the journey God has planned for us this year.

Observances for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday: The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; BVM

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint Nicholas and Saint William Mental Health Ministry



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welcome
to join us

Register here to
reserve your spot:



Mental Health Ministry Retreat Day January 13, 2024

Join us for a day of
prayer, formation
and reflection

Saturday, January 13
8:30 am to 3 pm
Saint William Church
611 S. El Monte Avenue, Los Altos, CA

Continental breakfast, lunch provided
and mass will be celebrated

Keynote Speaker
Deacon Ed Shoener

Founding Member and President of the Association of Catholic Mental
Health Ministers, Author, Founder of The Katie Foundation

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Mental Health Ministry
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February 3, 2024
11:00 a.m.



Meet the new Director of Vocations for the Diocese of San Jose



The Santa Clara Chapter of Serra was formed in 1968 to foster and support vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life. We invite you to the next Serra Club meeting to learn more about the club and meet Father Eric Piczon, the new Director of Vocations for the Diocese of San Jose on January 12, 2024, at 12:00 pm at Bill of Fare, 1069 Saratoga Ave. San Jose, CA 95129. Please RSVP at email: johnoneto@earthlink.net or contact President Jack Oneto at 408 379-8379.



SAVE THE DATE

2024 Walk for Life West Coast
Diocesan Morning Mass with Bishop

Saturday, January 20, 2024 at 8:00AM
St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish

Visit link to view participating parishes:

www.dsj.org/walk4life24

Are you discerning the call to the priesthood?

**Men's Discernment
Weekend Retreat**
Ages 18-35

January 26-28, 2024
St. Patrick Seminary and University
320 Middlefield Rd, Menlo Park, CA 94025

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AND *Reflect*

For more info and registration
www.dsj.org/mens-retreats





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WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

(CONFESSION)

By appointment only.

Please email Fr. Chris and or Fr. Gerald directly
chris.bransfield@dsj.org
gerald.nwafor@dsj.org

Diocese of San José Vocations Presents:

BASKETBALL

Challenge

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Sunday, January 21st

Doors Open: 5 PM | Tip Off: 6 PM

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Ladies Guild Meeting

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

6:30 p.m.

PMC Chapel

This is our annual Remembrance of Deceased Members. A short business meeting and social hour will follow in the Parish Ministry Center.

All Ladies of the Parish are invited!

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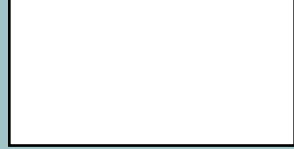
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