

St. Aloysius Parish



January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord

RECTORY

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. | 9:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. | 12:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening: 5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. | 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 12:30 to 7:00 p.m.

There is no Adoration during July and August.

Sacrament of Baptism

Through Baptism, we become Children of God and members of the household of faith. Children should be baptized in the faith community to which their parents belong, that is, the Parish in which they are registered and active members. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Saturday: 1:00 p.m. and by appointment. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please notify one of the parish priests in the event of serious illness. A communal celebration of the Anointing will be held annually.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Aloysius Parish is a Roman Catholic community dedicated to celebrating the life and word of Jesus Christ. All are welcome to deepen their spiritual and personal lives through active participation in weekly Liturgy, the celebration of the Sacraments, Parish ministries and community activities. Acknowledging our incompleteness and our need for God's grace, we commit ourselves, through Baptism, to responding to God's call to become and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ in our time. Jesus Christ is at the center of all of our lives.

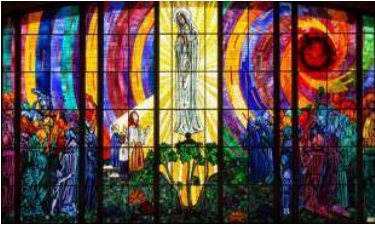


Church Website:
StAlsCaldwell.org



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Instagram:
@StAlsCaldwell





Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, January 3

Vigil: The Epiphany of the Lord

5:30 pm John Mannarino by Sabina Pannullo
People of the Parish

SUNDAY, January 4

The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 am Joseph Soprano by Angela Soprano

9:00 am Sidney & Nicolina Prestifilippo by Elizabeth Bongo

10:30 am Thomas Morris by Mary & Mike Diehr

12:00 pm Anthony Stabile by John Noto

5:00 pm Marco Vinicio Quezada by Family

MONDAY, January 5

Saint John Neumann, Bishop

8:00 am Eugene McLoughlin by Thomas & Debra McDonald

12:00 pm Phyllis Truppelli by Nina Neglia

TUESDAY, January 6

8:00 am Helen Murphy by Maureen Code & Chris Murphy

12:00 pm Peter Elkovich by Sister, Marianne Autorino

WEDNESDAY, January 7

8:00 am Vera Grosso by Darcel Collins

12:00 pm Christine Elizabeth Johnson by Alex Palumbo

THURSDAY, January 8

8:00 am Anthony Madonna by Gerald D'Anton

12:00 pm Jim Rusignuolo by MaryAnn Rusignuolo

FRIDAY, January 9

8:00 am John Drake by Gerald McDonald

12:00 pm Jennie Palecco by Kathleen Marchetti

SATURDAY, January 10

8:00 am Fausto Huaman Zegarra by Rosa Huaman

5:30 pm Vincent & Assunta Rosamilia by Thomas & Debra McDonald
People of the Parish

SUNDAY, January 11

The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 am Roy Stesko by Kaye & Tony Riolo
People of the Parish

9:00 am Michael Casey by Peggy Guiliano

10:30 am Jennie DeBonis by Michael DeBonis

12:00 pm Victor DeSantis by Family

5:00 pm Mariano Mendoza & Hillel Mora by Marcia Valencia

*THIS WEEK THE BREAD
AND WINE IS OFFERED:*

In Memory of George Kresge (The Amazing Kreskin) by Nazzarese Family

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT:

In Memory of Mary Radecki by Friend

THE SHRINE AREA VOTIVES THIS WEEK:

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY. MOTHER CABRINI.

SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA. DIVINE MERCY.

- 1. For the Intentions of Peggy Shannon**
- 2. For the Intentions of our Dearest Friend
by St. Al's Book Club**

ST. JUDE. ST. ALOYSIUS. ST. PATRICK:

**In Memory of Dr. Carmine LoMonaco
by Michael & Cathy Deehan & Family**



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

12/21/2025 **Week #26**

First Collection **\$20,645**

Avg. Budgeted **\$15,882**

**Our Second Collection Next Weekend is for
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR**



Parish Giving offers secure flexible online giving. Make your donation online using a credit card or bank transfer. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and plan the budget. Visit www.stalscaldwell.org and click on the Parish Giving tab for more information or scan the QR code.

Give Now! Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online giving. Thank you!



Caldwell NJ 07006, 691 St. Aloysius

Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use EthicsPoint, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.



"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven."
(Ecclesiastes 3:11)

"...A time to be healed"

Sick list: Mr. Albertli, Pat Bilotti, Anthony Caruso, Rodney Clifford, Kathy Davis (NYS), Connie DeAngelis, Dawn Diaz, John Donnelly, Carole Dwyer, Jeanne Farr, John Farr, Joanne Galinis, John & Marianne Heesters, Suzanne Kastner, David Keller, Jeanmarie King-Hicks, Harry Kramer, Sr., Mary Ann Lyngsch, Debbie Makowski, Tom Morrissey, Patricia Parenti, Doreen Pinto, Chrissy Qadir, Kelly Reilly, Valerie Reynolds, Richard Rodin, Steven Sabler, Sr., Colton Salmon, Brady Sannito, Vincent Sciabarasi, Joyce Spittle, Ray Sullivan, Claudette Thomas, Joan Tomek, Carolyn Walker, Jimmy Wilgus, Paula Zaccardi

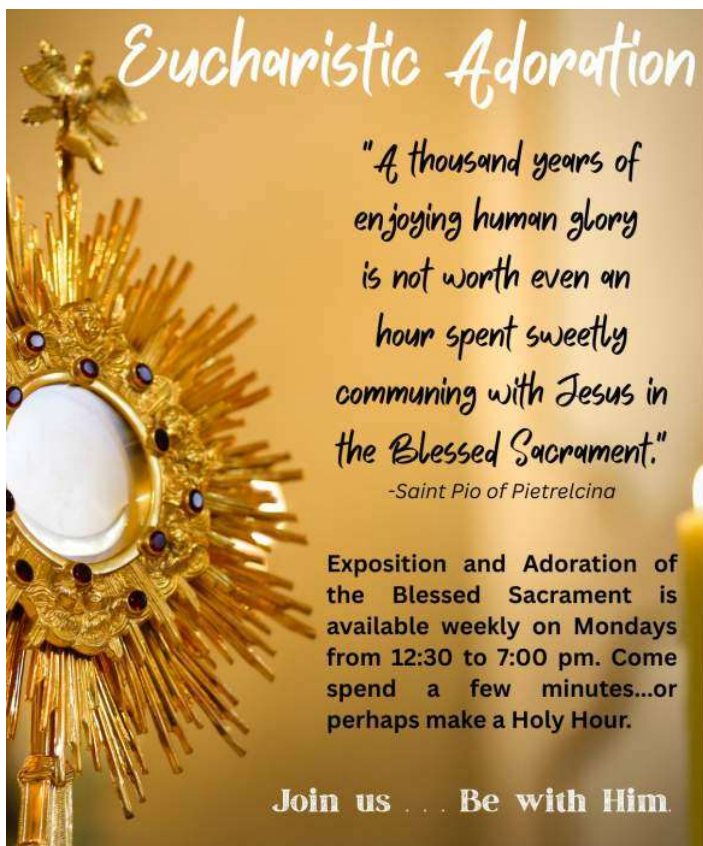
"...A time for war & a time for peace"

For national and world leaders and for those in the armed services, especially:

Anthony Appleby, Nicholas Appleby, James Barrett, Timothy Brown, Ashleigh N. Bryant, Thomas A. Bryant, III, Daniel Dispenza, Sawyer Guard, Michael C. Howley, Michael Piela

AMEN

Take this list home with you and use it in your daily prayers.



Dear Parishioner

Today we celebrate one of the oldest of Christian feasts, the great Feast of Epiphany, when our Divine Lord is revealed to the gentiles by the guidance of a star. The Collect invites the faithful to be so led by the guidance of the Holy Spirit as to "behold with our eyes the beauty of our Lord's majesty."

The feast is sometimes also called the Three Kings Day, to celebrate the homage and adoration of the "Kings of the East" to the newborn "King of Kings." Our Matthean reading is the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy that all nations and their rulers will be lit up by God's divine Light. It is also attested by the following verses from today's beautiful responsorial psalm (Psalm 72):

*The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.
All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.*

We are called to meditate on our own identity today, to know that we are also "royalty," having been baptized into the Kingdom of God, thus sharing the royal inheritance promised us by our Lord and King. We are all kings and queens! Let us take the example of the traditional three Kings, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, and follow their pattern in our search for deeper meaning, holiness, and a greater love for our Lord. Let us,

- Make a spiritual pilgrimage to our Lord, being led by the Holy Spirit who is our Guiding Star.
- Not be distracted by hateful and dissuading voices – by the worldly spirit of Herod and his minions
- Offer our "treasures" and "attachments" to the newborn King. Things that bind us and keep us from having that deep encounter with Him - our ability to worship Him freely - to accept Him as the Lord of our lives - Lord of our hearts - of everything we possess.
- Seek to enter that epiphanous, life-changing moment - into a deep encounter with Him; with thanksgiving and gratitude; let our hearts and souls worship Him with deep reverence; let us adore Him with praise and thanksgiving.
- Like the Magi, let us be transformed and leave a different way – His way - than when we first came - totally freed from all that binds - this is what our Lord wants to do in our lives - to transform us and configure us fully into Himself!

¡Viva, Cristo Rey!

Deacon Raj Srinivasa

LA VOZ HISPANA

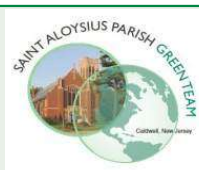
REFLEXIONES

“Entonces abrieron sus cofres y le ofrecieron sus regalos de oro, incienso y mirra” MATEO 2:11

La imagen de los Magos arrodillados ante el niño Jesús, abriendo los cofres y los tesoros que tenían para Él, es una imagen que todos debemos tratar de seguir cada día. En agradecimiento por todo lo que hemos recibido, somos llamados a compartir con generosidad todos nuestros dones, no solo aquellos que escogemos. Dios quiere que seamos generosos con todos ellos, pero especialmente con aquel que tiene más significado para nosotros.

Si desea una intención de misa para un ser querido, llame a la Rectoría al 973-226-0221. Hay intenciones disponibles para las misas de 2026.

**Arreglos para
Velas del Santuario y Ofrendas de Pan y Vino
se puede hacer por correo
electronico: info@stalscaldwell.org
o por llamando a la oficina al
973-226-0221.**



PIENSA ECOLÓGICO

EQUIPO ECOLÓGICO DE SAN ALOYSIUS DECLARACIÓN DE MISIÓN

Agradecer y alabar a Dios por toda la creación,
inspirando y motivando a todos
a proteger el medio ambiente,
e implementando estos valores en la parroquia
y en la comunidad local.
(Noviembre de 2017)

Gracias, feligreses de la parroquia de San Alberto, por colaborar con nosotros en la implementación de esta declaración de misión. Los invitamos a visitar el sitio web de nuestra parroquia y conocer las actividades del Equipo Verde, ¡al que han apoyado con tanta generosidad!

Paz y Gratitud, El Equipo Verde

Estimado Feligrés

Hoy celebramos una de las fiestas cristianas más antiguas, la gran Fiesta de la Epifanía, cuando nuestro Divino Señor se revela a los gentiles guiado por una estrella. La oración colecta invita a los fieles a dejarse guiar por el Espíritu Santo para que puedan contemplar con sus propios ojos la belleza de la majestad de nuestro Señor.

Esta festividad también se conoce a veces como el Día de los Reyes Magos, para celebrar el homenaje y la adoración de los "Reyes de Oriente" al recién nacido "Rey de Reyes". La lectura del Evangelio de Mateo es el cumplimiento de la profecía de Isaías, que anuncia que todas las naciones y sus gobernantes serán iluminados por la luz divina de Dios. Esto también se confirma en los siguientes versículos del hermoso salmo responsorial de hoy (Salmo 72):

Los reyes de Tarsis y de las islas le ofrecerán presentes;
los reyes de Arabia y de Saba le traerán tributo.
Todos los reyes le rendirán homenaje,
todas las naciones le servirán.

Hoy estamos llamados a meditar sobre nuestra propia identidad, a reconocer que también somos de estirpe real, habiendo sido bautizados en el Reino de Dios y, por lo tanto, compartiendo la herencia real que nos prometió nuestro Señor y Rey. ¡Todos somos reyes y reinas! Sigamos el ejemplo de los tres Reyes Magos, Gaspar, Melchor y Baltasar, e imitemos su camino en nuestra búsqueda de un sentido más profundo, de la santidad y de un amor mayor por nuestro Señor. Nos deja...

- ▣ Realicemos una peregrinación espiritual hacia nuestro Señor, guiados por el Espíritu Santo, nuestra Estrella Guía.
- ▣ No nos dejemos distraer por voces de odio y desaliento, por el espíritu mundano de Herodes y sus secuaces.
- ▣ Ofrezcamos nuestros “tesoros” y “apegos” al Rey recién nacido. Aquello que nos ata y nos impide tener un encuentro profundo con Él: nuestra capacidad de adorarlo libremente, de aceptarlo como el Señor de nuestras vidas, Señor de nuestros corazones, de todo lo que poseemos.
- ▣ Busquemos entrar en ese momento de epifanía que transforma la vida, en un encuentro profundo con Él; con acción de gracias y gratitud; que nuestros corazones y almas lo adoren con profunda reverencia; que lo adoremos con alabanza y agradecimiento.
- ▣ Como los Reyes Magos, seamos transformados y sigamos un camino diferente, Su camino, distinto al que teníamos al principio, totalmente liberados de todo lo que nos ata. Esto es lo que nuestro Señor quiere hacer en nuestras vidas: ¡transformarnos y configurarnos plenamente a Su imagen!

¡Viva Cristo Rey!

Diácono Raj Srinivasa

Please JOIN us for a

MOTHER & SON

night of

FUN!



Friday, January 30th

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

BOYS CAN BRING MOM OR ANY OTHER SPECIAL FEMALE GUEST

St. Aloyisus Gymnasium

Casual attire
welcomed, but feel
free to dress to
impress!

Scan here to sign up!



Tickets \$40 and are on sale now!

Ticket Price Includes: DJ, Photobooth, Magic Show, Games, Food & Tons of Fun!

Questions? Amanda Bender: mandi215@hotmail.com

St. Al's

BINGO *night*



JANUARY 23RD

St. Al's Gym

Doors open 6 pm • 1st number called 7 pm

Admission includes:

1 Game Pack of 10 Games -

6 Cards Per Game,

Door Prize Ticket &

Refreshments. Cash Prizes! BYOB & Food!

****Must be 18 Years Old!****

**\$25 Ticket
Purchase in
Advance**

Please bring a non-perishable, non-expired item to donate to a local food pantry and receive an extra door prize ticket!



Bingo Registration

Please Return Form to the St. Al's Rectory Office with Your Payment

To ensure friends and family are seated together, please submit one registration form for your table or group of guests. Full tables will seat 8 to 10 guests. All guests will be assigned a table. **You must name a group captain to check in and pick up your packets at the front desk in the gym foyer.** **Please pay by cash or check payable to St. Aloysius.**

Captain Name _____ Phone _____

I would like to purchase a complete table. 8 guests 9 guests 10 guests x \$25 = \$ _____

I would like to purchase a partial table. _____ guests x \$25 = \$ _____

If you would like to be seated by guests at another table, please indicate the group captain name and we will do our best to accommodate your request. _____

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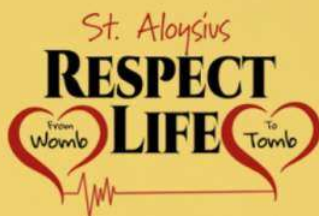


HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

SATURDAY
JANUARY 24TH
2:00 to 3:00 pm

Join us for
**A Holy Hour
for Life, Forgiveness and Healing**

We will pray together for respect for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death; for those who have been wounded by abortion; for those facing death; and for increased holiness in the Church.



For more information call
Maggie Brinn at 315-730-2517

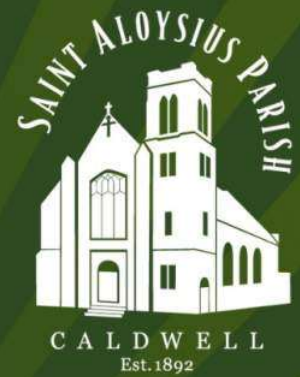


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CASH PRIZE!

JOIN ST. AL'S EXCITING

Calendar RAFFLE!



\$120 per ticket!

**Ticket drawn
the 15th of
each month.**

MONTHLY

**PRIZE:
\$1,500**

**12 chances
to win!**

**Winner's ticket is
returned to the barrel
for next month!**

Return form and payment to the rectory office. Tickets will be emailed to participants.

Saint Aloysius Parish 2026 Calendar Raffle Order Form

(Must be 18 years of age or older to play.)

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ for _____ ticket(s) in the St. Al's Calendar Raffle.
(Tickets are \$120 each. Please make checks payable to St. Aloysius Church.)

Please print clearly!

Name(s) _____

*Email _____

Phone _____

***Email address must be provided! Tickets will be emailed.**

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“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities



We pray on this Feast of the Epiphany, that we may be given the grace to always see in others the face of Christ our Savior.

Respect Life Crisis Contact Information 24/7
All calls and emails are confidential.

Are you facing an unexpected pregnancy? Are you in need of healing for the pain from abortion? Are you searching for support regarding end of life issues? You are not alone.

Contact Cheryl A. Riley, Director of Respect Life, Cheryl.riley@rcan.org or 973-497-4350

Thank You!

Thank you to our wonderful Faith Community of Saint Aloysius Parish for your generous donations at Christmas.

Once again, our community has been very generous with the Giving Tree Gifts! Thank you seems inadequate for all that you have given out of love and sacrifice. The following are families and places that we have assisted: at least 20 parishioners of St. Al’s, Several Sources in Ramsey, St. Mary Help of Christians, Saint Catherine Health Care Facility in Caldwell.

May all of you enjoy a peace-filled New Year.

Thank you once again,
The Social Concerns Committee



Visit our website for Masses, events and more!

www.StAlsCaldwell.org



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Update Corner



WE ARE HIS WITNESSES

<https://rcan.org/we-are-his-witnesses/>



Timeline Review



Preparation, Development, & Data Collection

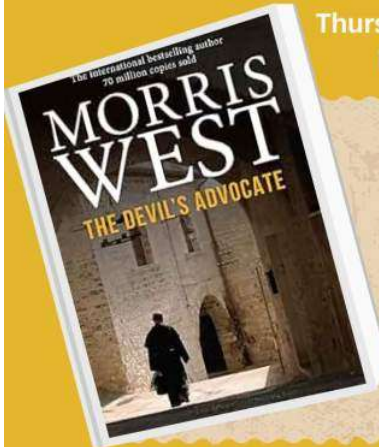
Model Feedback, Consultation, Discernment, & Decision Making

Local-level Discernment, Planning, Development, & Implementation

June 2024 - June 2025 June 2025 - June 2026 Multi-Year Implementation

Now is a moment for prayer, discernment, and preparation. From October through December, more than 420 listening sessions were held across the 212 parishes of the Archdiocese of Newark. The *Modeling Team* is prayerfully reviewing all the feedback received. At the same time, the *Implementation Task Force* is preparing Priests and Archdiocesan staff with the skills and resources needed to envision and embrace these new models. We ask for your prayers for all involved in these workstreams, as well as for all parishioners, priests, and parishes. May we remain open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and willing to step beyond our comfort zones to ensure the continuation of Christ’s mission to proclaim the Good News!

Thursday, January 29 at 7 pm
in the Parish Center



St. Al’s
Book Club



All are invited for good company and conversation.

“The Devils Advocate” by Morris West

The Devil’s Advocate, Morris West’s best-selling novel, is a deft exploration of the meaning of faith. With spiritual frailty as a backdrop, it reminds us how the power of goodness ultimately prevails over despair.

Next Book: February 26, 2026

“Lincoln in the Bardo” by George Saunders



THINK GREEN

ST. ALOYSIUS GREEN TEAM MISSION STATEMENT

*To thank and praise our God for all creation
By inspiring and motivating all
to protect the environment,
To implement these values in the parish
and within the local community.
(November 2017)*

Thank you, St. Al's Parishioners, for partnering with us in implementing this Mission Statement. We invite you to visit our parish website and view the activities of the Green Team, which you have supported so generously!

PEACE and GRATITUDE!

The Green Team

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults



As Baptized Catholics, we are called to share our faith and invite others to become fully initiated Catholics. The OCIA process is a spiritual journey and the formation process for welcoming adults to become part of our Catholic Church.

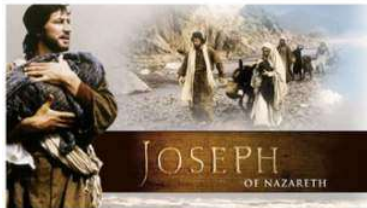
Who participates in OCIA?

- Unbaptized adults who would like to explore becoming Catholic or adults baptized in another Christian faith who desire to become Catholic.
- Baptized Catholics who want to receive the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- Catholics interested in deepening their relationship with Jesus.

If you or someone you know has not received Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation or is a non-Catholic interested in our faith, we welcome you to participate in OCIA. For more information, please contact Kaye and Tony Riolo at 973-226-0209, ext. 30 or OCIA@stalscaldwell.org.

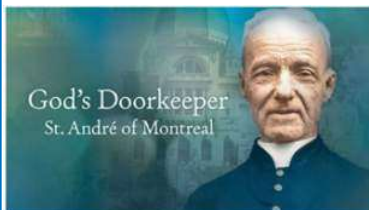
This Week on Formed

Week of January 04, 2026



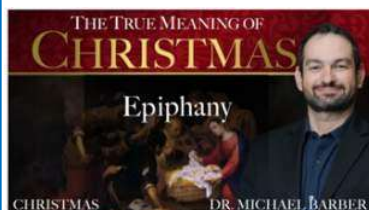
Joseph of Nazareth

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



God's Doorkeeper

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



Epiphany

Have you ever wondered what the Epiphany is? In this engaging episode of the True Meaning of Christmas, join Dr. Michael Barber to find out what the Epiphany is.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

REFLECTIONS

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

The Epiphany of the Lord... Did You Know?



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***The Epiphany of the Lord is one of the oldest liturgical feasts.**

***Epiphany means "manifestation." Three Epiphanies of Jesus' life are celebrated:**

- The Infant King's manifestation to the Magi (Wise Men) at Bethlehem, which shows Jesus as the universal savior, manifesting to the non-Jewish world (pagans/Gentiles) through the star that led the Magi from the East.
- The manifestation of Christ as the Father's beloved Son at His baptism in the Jordan. Here, God declares Jesus as His beloved Son, revealing His divine identity to the Jewish people.
- The manifestation of His glory in the working of His first sign at the wedding feast of Cana, where He turns water into wine, His first miracle, revealing His glory and power to His disciples.

***St. Augustine said that the Magi from the East arrived on the 13th day of the birth of Jesus – January 6th.**

***Tradition called the Magi "kings" because of Psalm 72:**
"May the kings of Tarshish and of distant shores bring tribute to him. May the kings of Sheba and Seba present him gifts. May all kings bow down to him and all nations serve him." The Biblical Magi, also known as the Three Wise Men, Three Kings, and Three Magi, are distinguished foreigners who visit Jesus after his birth, bearing gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh in homage to him.



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St. Aloysius Church

ADULT CHOIR!

Do you love to sing? Want to be part of a fun and welcoming community? Come add your voice to our choir!

No experience needed ●
Rehearsals 9:40 am Sundays ●

SING AT 10:30 AM MASSES

Come for the music, stay for the community.

For more information, call Joe Wozniak at: 973-226-0221 x19

A colorful illustration of five people (three men and two women) of various ages and ethnicities, all dressed in formal attire and singing from blue songbooks. They are surrounded by musical notes and a large yellow starburst.

***The names of the Magi do not appear in the Bible and there could have been more than three.** The Magi appear solely in the Gospel of Matthew, which states that they came "from the east" to worship the "one who has been born king of the Jews". Their names, origins, appearances, and exact number are unmentioned and derive from the inferences or traditions of later Christians.

***The Star of Bethlehem could have been a conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter.** The story of the Star of Bethlehem appears only in the Book of Matthew. The gospel tells us that a bright star appeared in the eastern sky when Jesus was born, famously seen by a group of wise men or "magi." In the years around the life of Jesus, several interesting planetary conjunctions played out. A planetary conjunction happens when two planets make a close approach to each other in Earth's night sky. So, if Jupiter and Saturn had three close conjunctions in a relatively brief period of time, it's easy to imagine that ancient astronomers - really, astrologers - would have taken note. And they also likely would have ascribed some meaning to the event.

Service in Action!

On December 14th, our Confirmation candidates put their faith into action by offering gift-wrapping services as part of their service hours. Thank you to all who supported them—and to our candidates for generously giving their time and talents during this busy season!





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