St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

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Rev. Jesus Mata, SVD - Associate Pastor

Mass Schedule:

English:	Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. (M-Sat.)
	Saturday - 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)
	Sunday - 7:00, 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.
Polish:	Saturday - 6:30 p.m. (Vigil)
	Sunday - 10:45 a.m., 5:15 p.m.
Spanish:	Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
	Sunday - 12:30 p.m.

Holy Day of Obligation:

English:	7:00 p.m. (Vigil), 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., & 12:00 p.m.

See the bulletin for Spanish & Polish Masses

Civic Holidays

English:	9:00 a.m. Mass

First Fridays:

English:	8:30 a.m. Mass
Polish:	7:00 p.m. Reconciliation; 8:00 p.m. Mass

Reconciliation

English:	Saturday: 11:00 a.m.
Polish:	Saturday: 6:00 pm; Sunday: 4:45 pm
Spanish:	Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Friday: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Holy Hour:

Polish:	Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.
Spanish:	Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration Chapel (Blessed Sacrament Exposed):

Monday - Friday:	7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday:	8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Office Hours

E-mail: contact@stjosephworker.com

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri	9:00 am - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	9:00 am - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 am - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday	CLOSED

Religious Education

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Polish School

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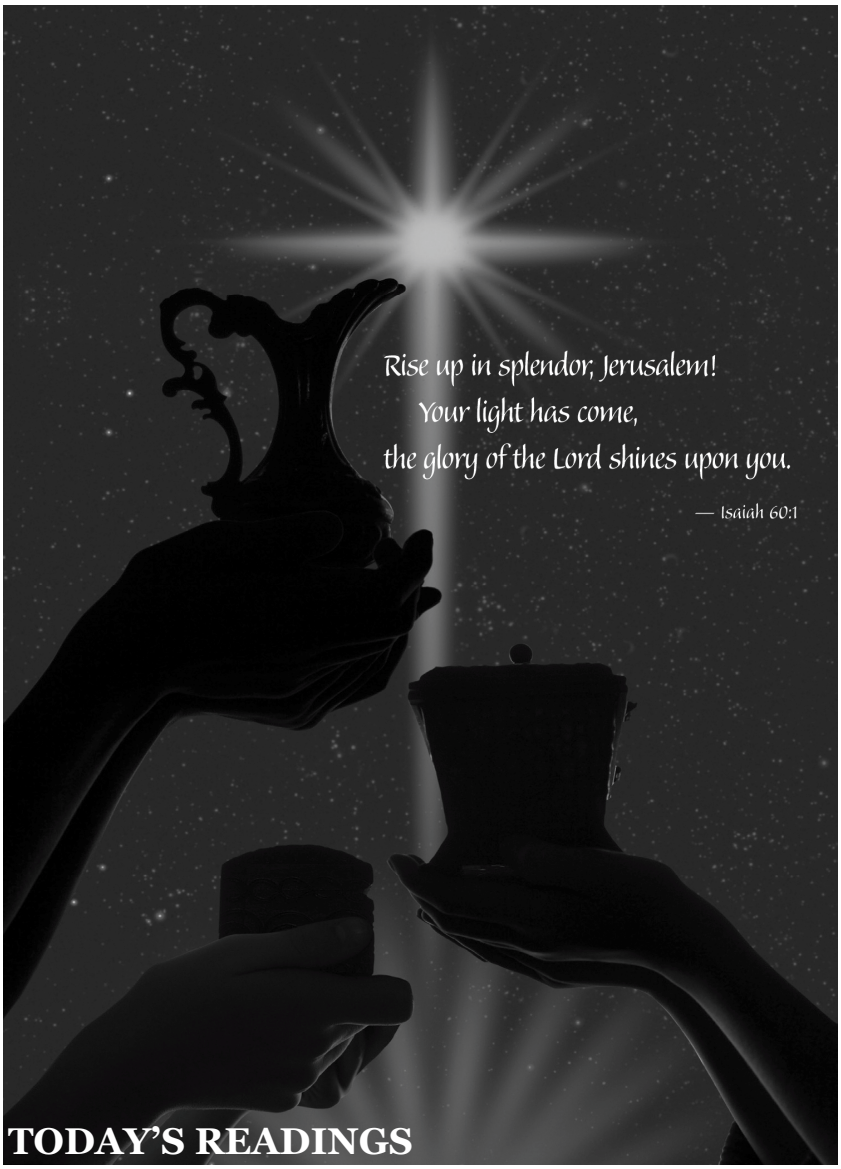

TODAY'S READINGS

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

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

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

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

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This Week at St. Joe's

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 5
First Saturday; St. John Neumann
8:30 — Thank you, God, for blessing the Dang Family
5:00 — In loving memory of Rose Rodriguez † *(by the Montemayor & Rodriguez Family)*
6:30 — Jozef Wilk—Anniversary of his passing † *(by the Family)*

Sunday, January 6
The Epiphany of Our Lord
6:00 — (Spanish) Special intentions
7:00 — Fr. Paul Nguyen—Health and blessings
8:00 — For the soul of Bruna Lago † *(by the Brady Family)*
9:30 — For the soul of Victorina Geromo † *(by Virginia Abarca)*
10:45 — (Polish) Special intentions
12:30 — Maria Isabel Alcantar Aguillon—2nd año de fallecido
5:15 — (Polish) Special intentions

Monday, January 7
St. Raymond de Peñafort
8:30 — In loving memory of Anna Myszka † *(by Maria Bialkowski)*
For the soul of Genowefa Mastalerz †

Tuesday, January 8
8:30 — Thank you, Mary, Mother of God, for blessing the Dang Family
7:00 — (Polish) Special intentions

Wednesday, January 9
8:30 — Marie Terranella—Death anniversary † *(by Judy Marolda)*

Thursday, January 10
8:30 — Thank you, St. Joseph, for blessing the Dang Family
7:00 — Alondra Gutierrez—Descanso eterno †

Friday, January 11
8:30 — All the souls in purgatory *(by the Dang Family)*

Saturday, January 12
8:30 — Deceased members of the Martinez Family †
Fr. Francis Xavier—Health and blessing on his birthday
5:00 — In loving memory of Intong Thong † *(by Lam Thong)*
6:30 — (Polish) Special intentions

Sunday, January 13
The Baptism of the Lord
7:00 — Fr. Francis—Health and blessing
8:00 — In memory of Andrew Novak—In memory of 1 year anniversary
9:30 — For the soul of Pedrita Tomodos † *(by Virginia Abarca)*
10:45 — (Polish) Special intentions
12:30 — Catalina Huerta Luna—Descanso eterno †
5:15 — For the Dabkow and Zajacow Families †

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 6
Knights of Columbus Donut Sale
7:00 am - KC Donut Sale—Mulcahey Hall
7:30 am - (Spanish) Religious Ed Classes—Classrooms
1:30 pm - Infancia Misionera
2:30 pm - (English) Baptisms—Church
4:00 pm - (Polish) Baptisms—Church
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall

Monday, January 7
6:30 pm - (English) Religious Ed—All Classrooms
8:00 pm - Cross School—Rm 9

Tuesday, January 8
5:00 pm - (Polish) Dance—Rm 9
6:00 pm - Youth Choir—Rm 10
6:00 pm - (Polish) Music Group—Rm 7
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana—Rm 11
6:00 pm - (Polish) Teacher Meeting—Rm 1
6:00 pm - Angeles de Dios Coro—Rm 8
6:00 pm - Youth Choir—Rm 10
6:30 pm - (Spanish) Youth Group—Rm 3
7:00 pm - (Polish) Holy Hour—Church
7:00 pm - Decorating Committee—Conference Room
7:00 pm - Emaus (Men) - Rm 12
7:00 pm - Catechism/Apologetics—Rm 5
7:00 pm - (English) Choir—Rm 10

Wednesday, January 9
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana—Rm 11
6:30 pm - Infancia Misionera—Rm 2
6:30 pm - Emmaus (Women) - Rm 12
7:00 pm - Legion of Mary—Rm 3
7:00 pm - Bible Study—Rm 5

Thursday, January 10
4:45 pm - (Polish) School—Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Mass/Liturgy of the Word—Church
7:00 pm - (Polish) Choir—Rm 10
8:00 pm - Guadalupanos Ministry—Rm 5

Friday, January 11
4:30 pm - (Polish) School—Classrooms/Mulcahey Hall/Kitchen
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Holy Hour—Church
8:30 pm - (Spanish) Bereavement Ministry—Rm 9
8:30 pm - Jesus Choir—Rm 11

Saturday, January 12
8:00 am - (Polish) School—Classrooms/Mulcahey Hall/Kitchen
10:00 am - (Spanish) Youth Ministry—House
6:00 pm - Simeon & Ana Group—Rm 5

Sunday, January 13
7:30 am - (Spanish) Religious Ed Classes—Classrooms
2:00 pm - Jornadas Matrimoniales—Rm 1 & 3
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall

PARISH WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY
Weekly offering for December 30, 2018
Sunday 12/23 Collection: $ 10,909.50
Christmas Collection: $ 19,777.00
Online Collection: (12/13-19) $ 755.50
Budget for Collection: $ 10,200.00
Thank you for your generous support of our parish. Please consider donating online. Visit www.stjosephworker.com or contact the parish office.

> *They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*
>
> *Matthew 2:11*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 6, 2019

Epiphany of the Lord

Today, we are celebrating a big feast and our Church's calendar calls it Epiphany. In our gospel reading today, God uses a special and unusual rising star, drawing the wise men from the east all the way to Jerusalem. They left their homes and material security behind and experienced hardships on the road as the star momentarily disappeared. Their only hope is that at the end of this search, they would come upon the star, the Light of the world which is Jesus Christ Himself. According to a commentary that traditionally, we have claimed that there were three magi who found the Lord in Bethlehem because there is a mention of three gifts. When we go to meet baby Jesus in the manger this Christmas, none of us want to go empty-handed!

Therefore I'd like to propose three simple gifts we can bring to the little King this year.

The gift of frankincense: the conversion of our heart.
Frankincense is the gift of priestly office. Christ the high priest became incarnate to save us. The first thing we can do to thank him for this gift is to take him up on his offer. Let's go to confession. Recommit yourself to daily prayer by adding one small resolution to your daily spiritual routine. It could be saying morning prayer, or praying the rosary or saying grace before meals if you don't already. The point is not to exhaust ourselves, but instead to grow in virtue and form better habits little by little.

The gift of myrrh: the reconciliation of our relationships.
Myrrh is the gift associated with burial and death. The most important thing we leave behind when we die is the legacy of our family and friends. Did we help them get to heaven? Let's recommit ourselves to renewing and improving our relationships with our friends and family, especially those relationships that are strained or broken. Now sometimes, patching up a relationship on our end alone is impossible. In those cases, let's commit ourselves to praying for that person. For most people, however, simply spending more time with them or staying in better touch will suffice.

The gift of gold: the recommitment to promoting the common good.
Gold is the gift associated with kingly office. All of us through baptism and confirmation are called to be missionaries in the world and to promote the common good of all. Let's pledge ourselves to give of our time and treasure to worthy causes. Christ came down to earth to save our souls, to heal our broken relationships, and to sanctify the world. We can offer him no better gifts this Christmas than to become more serious about saving our soul, more energetic in strengthening our relationships, and more passionate about making this world a better place.

If we commit ourselves to doing these three simple things, we can go to meet the little King with our arms full of the gifts he desires most.

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Mędrcy Świata

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Bożonarodzeniową szopkę trudno sobie wyobrazić bez postaci trzech króli. Nie stało się to za sprawą św. Franciszka, lecz jak czytamy w Piśmie Świętym, i w tradycji chrześcijańskiej byli to mędrcy czy też władcy pochodzący z krajów o już wysoko rozwiniętej kulturze, także odmiennym od Judaizmu systemu wierzeń. Święto Bożego Narodzenia koncentruje się na uniżeniu Syna Bożego podkreślając ziemskie narodziny Słowa Bożego. Epifania (z gr. objawienie) akcentuje Boską wielkość nowo narodzonego, który pragnie swą miłością zbawczą ogarnąć nie tylko naród wybrany, ale wszystkich ludzi. Uroczystość Objawienia Pańskiego zwana jest popularnie Świętem Trzech Króli. Kluczem do zrozumienia tego święta jest jedynie 2 rozdział Ewangelii św. Mateusza, który mówi o Mędrcach przybywających do Betlejem, aby złożyć hołd Jezusowi. Mędrców nazywa się Królami w związku z proroctwami Starego Testamentu (Ps 72,10-11; Iz 60,3.6). Wymienia się ich najczęściej trzech ze względu na trzy dary o których wspomina Ewangelia i których symbolikę wyjaśnił w II w. św. Ireneusz z Lyonu: złoto ofiarowane Jezusowi jako królowi, kadzidło jako Bogu i mirrę jako człowiekowi zapowiadającą Jego śmierć.

Inicjały C+ M + B odczytuje się jako błogosławieństwo. Jest to skrót od: Christus mansionem benedicat – Niech Chrystus błogosławi dom. Imiona: Kacper, Melchior, Baltazar pojawiły się w tradycji dopiero w X w. Istnieje zwyczaj oznaczania drzwi mieszkań ich pierwszymi literami K + M + B na znak wiary, że mieszkający w nich chrześcijanie na wzór Mędrców przyjęli narodzonego Jezusa jako swojego Boga i Króla. Zwyczaj ten nawiązuje także do Księgi Wyjścia, która mówi, że Izraelici znaczyli drzwi i progi domów krwią baranka, aby Pan nie pozwolił wejść niszczycielowi do wnętrza.

Gwiazda. Chrystus objawiał się na różne sposoby. Prostym pasterzom posłał anioła, Mędrcom ukazał gwiazdę. Uroczystość Objawienia Pańskiego uczy więc, że chrześcijanie, podobnie jak mędrcy, którzy powrócili do domu inną drogą, winni po spotkaniu Zbawiciela rozpocząć nowe życie; doświadczywszy Jego miłującej obecności w sposób mądry objawiać ją światu. Jak mędrcy winni składać duchowe dary: złota swej ludzkiej wolności, kadzidła codziennej modlitwy oraz mirry czyli bycia na co dzień dla Boga. Na tej drodze towarzyszy wszystkim poszukującym Słowo Boże, porównywane przez Ojców Kościoła do blasku gwiazdy prowadzącej do poznania prawdy. To niełatwe zadanie. Świat oferuje człowiekowi bardzo wiele i odwodzi duszę od szukania Prawdy. Ów problem jest stary jak ludzka cywilizacja. Chrystus jednak na nowo zadaje nam pytanie, czy mamy zamiar poprzestać na tym co dotychczasowe - ziemskie, czy szukać tego co nowo objawione – Boże.

Ogłoszenia

Msze święte w języku polskim:
Sobota 6:30 wieczorem, 6:15 odmawiamy Koronkę do Miłosierdzia Bożego
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 6:00.
Niedziela 10:45 rano i 5:15 po południu.
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 4:45.

Pierwszy Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta przez wstawiennctwo św. Jana Pawła II. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy nabożeństwo.

Pierwszy Piątek Miesiąca: 7:00 wieczorem wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu i adoracja. O 7:30 nabożeństwo do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa. W tym czasie od 7:00 do 8:00 jest spowiedź święta. O godzienie 8:00 Msza święta ku czci Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa.

Pierwsza Sobota Miesiąca: Po Mszy świętej wieczornej o 7:30 odmawiamy różaniec wynagradzający za zniewagi wyrządzone Niepokalanemu Sercu Maryi.

Drugi Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Miłosierdziu Bożym. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Trzeci Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Duchu Świętym w intencji osób samotnych, małżonków i kapłanów. Po Mszy świętej odmawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Ostatni wtorek miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta ku czci świętego Ojca Pio. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Kaplica Adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu (przy plebanii):
Otwarta od 7:00 rano do 10:00 wieczorem każdego dnia tygodnia.

Sakrament Chrztu Swiętego: w każdą pierwszą sobotę miesiąca o godzinie 10:30 rano oraz w każdą pierwszą i trzecią niedzielę miesiąca o godzinie 4:00 po południu.

Sakrament Małżeństwa: należy zgłosić się co najmniej cztery miesiące wcześniej.
Biuro Parafialne: od 9:00 rano do 5:00 wieczorem
od 9:00 rano do 7 wieczorem - środa
od 9:00 rano do 2:00 po południu – sobota
zamknięte - niedziela

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Godzina Święta we wtorki – 7PM

Lectio Divina para la Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor

Empecemos nuestra oración:

En el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo. Amen.

Concédenos, Señor, que tu Hijo,
que quiso hacerse semejante a nosotros
para manifestársenos,
nos vaya haciendo, cada día, más semejantes a él,
que vive y reina contigo
en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios
por los siglos de los siglos.

(Oración colecta, Martes de Navidad)

Lectura (*Lectio*)

Lee la siguiente Escritura dos o tres veces.
Mateo 2, 1-12

Jesús nació en Belén de Judá, en tiempos del rey Herodes. Unos magos de oriente llegaron entonces a Jerusalén y preguntaron: "¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que acaba de nacer? Porque vimos surgir su estrella y hemos venido a adorarlo".

Al enterarse de esto, el rey Herodes se sobresaltó y toda Jerusalén con él. Convocó entonces a los sumos sacerdotes y a los escribas del pueblo y les preguntó dónde tenía que nacer el Mesías. Ellos le contestaron: "En Belén de Judá, porque así lo ha escrito el profeta: *Y tú, Belén, tierra de Judá, no eres en manera alguna la menor entre las ciudades ilustres de Judá, pues de ti saldrá un jefe, que será el pastor de mi pueblo, Israel".*

Entonces Herodes llamó en secreto a los magos, para que le precisaran el tiempo en que se les había aparecido la estrella y los mandó a Belén, diciéndoles: "Vayan a averiguar cuidadosamente qué hay de ese niño y, cuando lo encuentren, avísenme para que yo también vaya a adorarlo".

Después de oír al rey, los magos se pusieron en camino, y de pronto la estrella que habían visto surgir, comenzó a guiarlos, hasta que se detuvo encima de donde estaba el niño. Al ver de nuevo la estrella, se llenaron de inmensa alegría. Entraron en la casa y vieron al niño con María, su madre, y postrándose, lo adoraron. Después, abriendo sus cofres, le ofrecieron regalos: oro, incienso y mirra. Advertidos durante el sueño de que no volvieran a Herodes, regresaron a su tierra por otro camino.

Meditación (*Meditatio*)

Después de la lectura, toma unos momentos para reflexionar en silencio acerca de una o más de las siguientes preguntas:

- ¿Cuál palabra o palabras en este pasaje captaron tu atención?
- ¿Qué parte en este pasaje te consoló?
- ¿Qué parte en este pasaje te desafió?

Si practicas la lectio divina *como familia o en un grupo, luego del tiempo de reflexión, invita a los participantes a compartir sus respuestas.*

Oración (*Oratio*)

Lee el pasaje de la Escritura una vez más. Dale al Señor la alabanza, petición y acción de gracias que la Palabra te ha inspirado.

Contemplación (*Contemplatio*)

Lee nuevamente el pasaje de la Escritura, seguida de esta reflexión:

¿Qué conversión de la mente, del corazón y de la vida me pide el Señor?

Vayan a averiguar cuidadosamente qué hay de ese niño. ¿En qué lugares busco significado religioso? ¿Cómo sé si encuentro lo que estoy buscando?

Postrándose, lo adoraron. ¿Cómo doy a Dios el honor que merece? ¿Cómo se extiende mi relación con Dios más allá de pedir por mis propias necesidades?

Regresaron a su tierra por otro camino. ¿Qué caminos antiguos siguen conduciéndome a Dios? ¿Qué nuevos caminos tendría que emprender para acercarme más a Dios y a su Iglesia?

Después de unos momentos de reflexión en silencio, todos recen la Oración del Señor y la siguiente:

Oración final:

Comunica, Señor, al rey tu juicio
y tu justicia, al que es hijo de reyes;
así tu siervo saldrá en defensa de tus pobres
y regirá a tu pueblo justamente.
Florecerá en sus días la justicia
y reinará la paz, ere tras era.
De mar a mar se extenderá su reino
y de un extremo al otro de la tierra.
Los reyes de occidente y de las islas
le ofrecerán sus dones.
Ante el se postrarán todos los reyes
y todas las naciones.
Al débil librará del poderoso
y ayudara al que se encuentra sin amparo;
se apiadará del desvalido y pobre
y salvará la vida al desdichado.

Del salmo 71

Vivir la Palabra esta semana

¿Cómo puedo convertir mi vida en un don de caridad para los demás?

Únete a una celebración parroquial o de la comunidad durante la Semana Nacional de Migraciones para reconocer los dones que traen los migrantes y refugiados a nuestra cultura y a nuestra Iglesia.

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Pray For the Sick ...

John Becker
The Benz Family
Regina Berman
Jack & Jim Bonner
Winifred Boyack
Dan Brackett
Yolanda Burch
Andrea Fanella
Stephen Field
Joseph Flanagan
Michelangelo Gondolfi
Pat Hembd
Tim Kickel
Tim Koller
Ruth Lance
Joan Lutz
William T. Lyman
Angeline Mabeley
Doris Malicki
Bonnie Miley
Kristi Mogley
Javier Monroy & Family
Brian Moore
Ethan Moore
Thomas Mueller
Cheryl Murray
Kathleen O'Rourke
Noah Palzet
Pedro Perez
Michael Perrela
Amanda Rakers
Beth Ramos
Ava Rodriguez
Chester Salzmann
Chris Scanlon
Denis Siena
Deana Skulemowski
Carol Spiller
Rick Stolfa
Jean Storey
Melissa Stoutamire
Dave & Mark Sykes
Anna Marie Tarsitano
Fran Theriault
Dale Thuet
Evelyn Torres
Bill Trnka
Jerry Vanderberg
Ed Witecha
Matt Wzerick
Rose Mary Zambuto
Kathy Zeivel
Virginia Zink

Keep Our Dear Lord company in the Adoration Chapel
Weekdays: 7 am - 10 pm
Weekend: 8 am - 10 pm

John McCormack
Joan Early
Rosemary Bartlett
Tom Dworzak
Sharon Sylester
Thuy & Bob Schuster
Ken Brady
Antonio & Ester Carmona
Amy Fletcher
Kristen Oliver
Dorothy Pach
Eileen, Michael & Patrick Peluso
Tom Lueders
Marion Taicsich
Bill Hein
Dora Sumner
Eleanor Buerger
Gustavo Novoa Otilia
Maddie Adamicka
Maria & Stanislaw Lichaj
Mieczysław & Danuta Kowalik
Sr. Louanna Orth
Arthur Galvan

Rest in Peace
Judy Abruscato

The names on the Prayer List will appear for 6 weeks unless otherwise noted. Please call the office if you would like to add/remove someone.

Please pray for peace and for the Men and Women serving in the military.

- LCPL DeShaun Richard, USMC
- Staff Sergeant Christopher Olszewski, USAF
- Corporal Joseph J. Zimmerman, III USMC

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Ministry Schedule for January 12 & 13

5:00 pm
Lector: B. Jacobsen
E.M.: B. Jacobsen, M. Greis, B. Vogel
Servers: A. LaRoussa

7:00 am
Lector: K. Peck
E.M.: S. Meintzer, K. Ferro, N. Franz
Servers: A. Nance

8:00 am
Lector: G. Jonkhans
E.M.: J. Skarosi, M. Jonkhans, D. Brayer
Servers: A. Jonkhans, J. Jonkhans

9:30 am
Lector: J. Riles
E.M.: M. J Counley, L. Riles, D. Hackney
Servers: B. Heydt, A. Nguyen

The light of Christ shines upon you. Share that light with others. Consider the gift of a Church vocation.

La luz de Cristo brilla sobre ti. Comparte esa luz con los demás. Considere el don de la vocación de la Iglesia.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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Catholic Teachings – Know Your Faith

Eucharistic Doctrine on the Real Presence

For the past few weeks we have been learning about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

1. Jesus is present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Holy Eucharist.

2. The bread and wine become the actual body and blood of Jesus Christ at the Consecration during Holy Mass.

3. The process by which the bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus is called Transubstantiation.

4. Transubstantiation means that after the bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus, the bread and wine no longer exist. They are the actual body and blood of Jesus and only maintain the appearance of bread and wine.

5. Jesus, in the Holy Eucharist cannot be divided. Each piece of the Host (no matter how tiny) is the whole Jesus. Each drop of the Precious Blood is also the whole Jesus.

6. Consecrated Hosts that are not consumed during Holy Mass, or a subsequent communion service, remain the body and blood of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

7. Catholics who do not believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and non-Catholics should not receive Holy Communion. Nor should anyone who is in the state of mortal sin receive Holy Communion before going to confession.

8. All Catholics are required to believe (and do believe) in the Doctrine of the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Those who do not believe in the Real Presence are not, in fact, true, practicing Catholics.

Most of us have been Catholics all of our lives. Some have fallen away and then come back to the Catholic Church when they realized the real beauty of what God gave them at Baptism. Some had pursued a "better way" in other Christian denominations including "big box" churches. Some decided they were "spiritual" but not "religious." But all who left abandoned the sacraments Jesus gave us through his Church and suffer a certain spiritual void.

Converts to Catholicism and reverts (former Catholics who have come back to the Church) are usually those most excited about the sacraments – especially the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

It is no wonder that those who truly believe in the Real Presence are so reverent in approaching Jesus at communion time. The very same Jesus who walked the earth 2,000 years ago teaching and healing the sick and broken- hearted. **What an extraordinary privilege we have!!**

In the News

Simbang Gabi, December 19th. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped made this event successful. The Holy Mass was well attended with the choir singing beautifully. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food, entertainments and fellowship.

Celebrating Posada—December 14th

A fun filled night with good food, singing, and dancing.

Ministry Christmas Dinner—December 20

Many thanks to all the volunteers who have given their time to help with the church. May God bless you and your family always.

Christmas Luncheon—December 23rd

The Knights of Columbus and many volunteers from the different ministries gathered to make Christmas a special time for the displaced families in the area and the seniors who had no families to celebrate with. The Children and Adult choirs lead everyone in singing the Christmas carols.

Christmas Flower Memorials

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FINDING GOD

The splendid magi, all sparkle and dash and solemnity, march right up off the pages of Matthew's Gospel and into our churches today. Matthew alone tells us this grand and seductive story so that we might see the light and know that the child these magi visited is the fulfillment of prophecy, the king of the world that stretches to the magi's home country and beyond, right down the ages to us.

We too see and understand anew. Like the magi, our patron saints for this day, we see in the newborn child the king of the universe and light of the world. Like the magi, we find in ourselves a new faith and a new life. Like them, we return to our home by a new route.

We are asked to come away from this festive season ourselves renewed and awake to the presence of God among us. We are asked to find God where God is to be found, to be attentive and surprised and ready to bow down in adoration and to offer our gifts.

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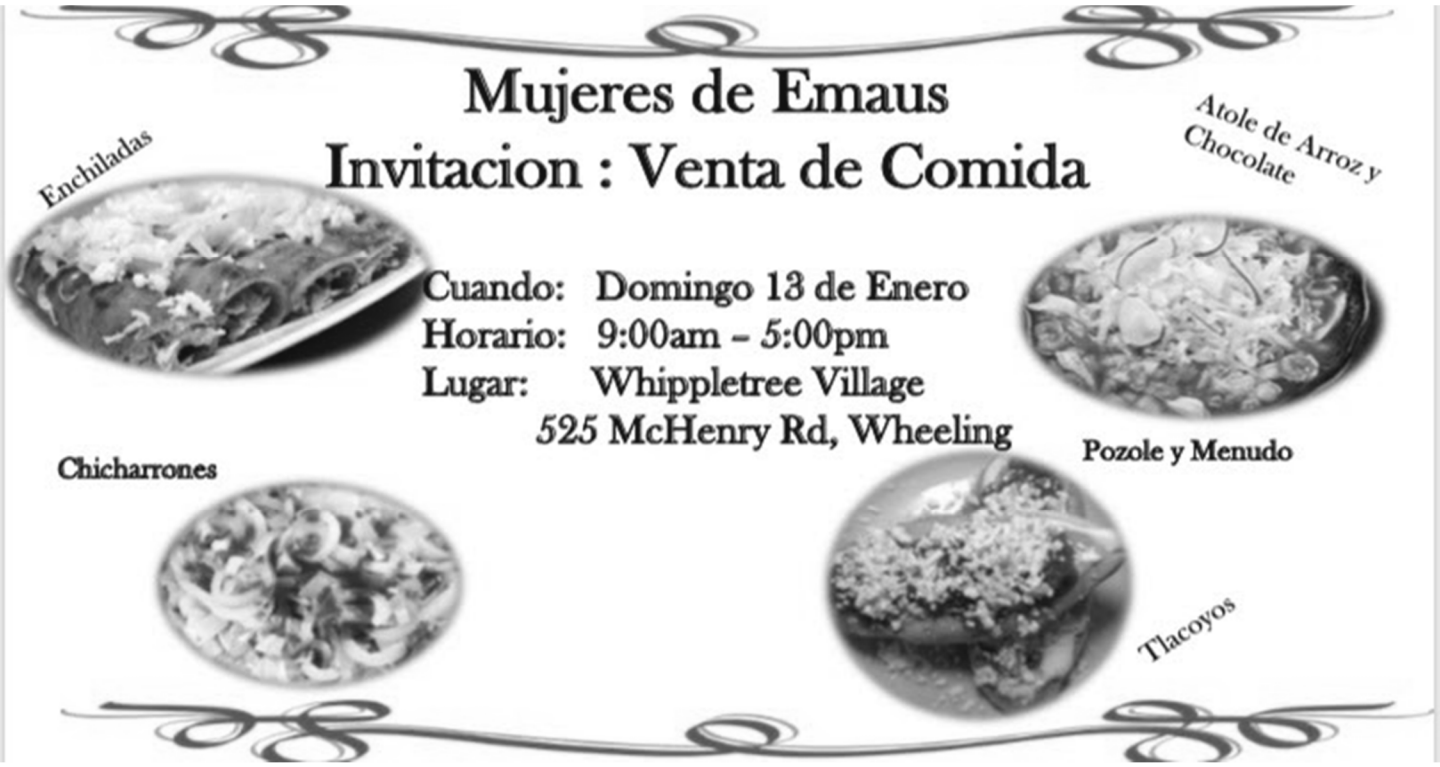

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Monday of this week is Christmas Day in Russia and in much of the Orthodox world. This curious difference in schedule has a lot to do with how calendars have been developed and changed over the years. In the year 45 B.C. Julius Ceasar gave the empire his Julian Calendar, with the winter solstice on January 6. This put an end to a system in which officials called "pontiffs" were able to tweak the calendar by adding extra days in as needed. He invented two new months at that time, December and January; and in order to correct the mess the pontiffs had made, forced a year of 445 days on the empire in what he named "The Last Year of Confusion." The new months varied in number of days according to a complex schedule, but the calendar was still off by nearly twelve minutes a year, and lost a full day every 130 years.

Pope Gregory XIII reformed the calendar in 1583, but not everyone appreciated his efforts. England held out for two hundred years. The year 1700 was a leap year in England, but not in France; they were eleven days apart! George Washington was really born on February 11; when the Gregorian calendar was finally adopted in the English colonies shortly before the Revolution, he had to move his birthday to February 22. Now the calendars are thirteen days apart, which accounts for Russia's Julian calendar Christmas. And Caesar thought he had brought confusion to an end!

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The second weekend of every month will be dedicated to the collection of canned/dry goods to aid the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of the Angel's Food Pantry in Chicago.

We are in need of the following:

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Hearty soups (ex: Campbell's Chunky)
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Boxed Meals (stuffing, mashed potatoes, pasta meals, Hamburger Helper, etc.)

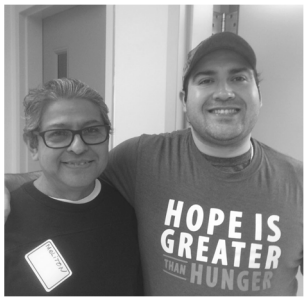
Please drop off your donation in the church foyer. Thank you for your generosity.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to help in the food pantry and clothing room at our office at 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines. Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, during the day.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Denise Yonkers at (847) 376-2101 or dyonkers@catholiccharities.net.

The KC spent an evening at the Catholic Charities Center in Des Plaines serving dinners, while the Confirmandi packed food for the hungry children in the Dominican Republic.



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