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January 6, 2019, The Epiphany of the Lord

Herod Was Correct

King Herod, the most powerful man in the region, was greatly troubled to hear about the birth of a king. Why would a reigning king fear a little child? Perhaps because he believed if word spread that a future messiah had been born, the Jews would be harder to control. They were easier to dominate when they were without hope, without a leader.

Herod was correct. Wise men from the East looking for the King of the Jews fulfilled prophecies that foretold all nations would come to Israel looking for a messianic leader.



Piece: Adoration of the Kings, 1450s
Artist: Pseudo Domenico di Michelino
Location: Vatican Museums

Herod was also troubled because, if indeed this newborn was a king, he had a pretender and a competitor right under his royal nose. King Herod was correct again.

Although Jesus did not pretend to overthrow the Romans, he did come with authority and would upend the existing order. Jesus would preach to the heart and demand that no one sit on that throne except God his Father.

Pseudo Domenico presents the arrival of the Magi as a procession of vassals showing homage to their king. Kneeling, bowing, and standing erect with gifts in hand, authorities from far away are showing reverence to the newborn royalty who sits on Mother Mary's lap. His royal hall is the hillside, his scepter a baby finger, his royal family is Joseph and Mary.

These Gentile kings were the first to do what all of creation and all of history have been doing since then—bending their knee to the King of the Universe. Herod was right to worry.

— Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Jesus' reign comes to give security to those who love him.
Does his authority and care give me security? Do I seek earthly securities aside from the treasures he offers me: his will, protection, and grace?

***When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled,
and all Jerusalem with him. Matthew 2:3***

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday	8:00am
Monday - Friday	12:10pm
Tuesday	5:30pm
Saturday Vigil	5:30pm
Sunday	9:00am, 11:00am, 5:30pm

*Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Daily Masses,
4:00pm - 5:00pm on Saturday*

Dear Padre,

I'm having an argument with a fundamentalist friend who insists the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in the Bible. I keep saying there's no way it could have. Who is right?

Catholics believe that each book of the Bible needs to be appreciated according to the principles of its own literary genre. We don't look to the Gospels for modern critical history or unbiased biographical/reportorial fact-telling.



The four Gospels were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Each Gospel writer uses human skill to craft a true story, presenting the saving mystery of our Lord's life, death, and resurrection so that readers may come to know Christ, share his life, and be saved.

Every story in the Gospels is shaped to communicate saving truth, but not every story is told as a direct "just the facts, ma'am" report of sequential events. So there's saving sense in which, yes, the Epiphany happened exactly as it says in Matthew 2:1–12. And there's a more literal sense in which, no, the Epiphany probably didn't happen exactly as it's recounted.

What is most certain is the Gospel's saving message of the birth of our true King, the Light of the World, before whom we offer homage and who, when we encounter him, will change our lives and send us home in a new path.

— Fr. Matthew Allman, CScR

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A word from POPE FRANCIS



How many stars there are in the sky! And yet the Magi followed a new and different star, which for them shone all the more brightly.... They listened to a voice deep within, which led them to follow that light. It was the voice of the Holy Spirit, who works in all people.

— Homily, Epiphany of the Lord, January 6, 2016

DAILY READINGS

Monday, January 7

1 Jn 3:22–4:6
Mt 4:12–17, 23–25

Tuesday, January 8

1 Jn 4:7–10
Mk 6:34–44

Wednesday, January 9

1 Jn 4:11–18
Mk 6:45–52

Thursday, January 10

1 Jn 4:19–5:4
Lk 4:14–22a

Friday, January 11

1 Jn 5:5–13
Lk 5:12–16

Saturday, January 12

1 Jn 5:14–21
Jn 3:22–30

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MASS
 for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
WE MAY HAVE ALL COME ON DIFFERENT
SHIPS
BUT WE ARE IN THE SAME
BOAT



MONDAY, JANUARY 21
2019
11:00AM – Mass
Seattle University
(St. Ignatius Chapel)
901 12th Avenue, Seattle

The Mass celebrates the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and is a partnership between The Black Catholic Advisory Circle of The Archdiocese of Seattle and Seattle University's Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture.

RACHEL'S CORNER
Healing After Abortion

Allow Christ, who is peace, to see the darkest part of your past...to your decision to have an abortion. Allow him to transform your wounds, for he came to "proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners"! (Isaiah 61:1)

HEALING RETREAT
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Weekly Goal	\$ 5,715
Offerings (Dec 17 - Dec 30)	\$11,036
Online Giving (Dec 17 - Dec 30)	<u>\$1,902</u>
Total Sacrificial Giving	\$12,398
YTD Sacrificial Giving (July 1 - Dec 30)	\$143,610
Parish Improvement (July 1 - Dec 30)	\$ 5,259

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**Figures reflect donations/online giving for the last two weeks.*

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan. 6 11:00am Sacred Heart Parish
 Tues. Jan 8 12:10pm † Napoleon Caparas
 Thurs. Jan. 10 12:10pm Gaby Bergevin
 Fri. Jan. 11 12:10pm Tim and Karen Bergivin
 Sat. Jan. 5 5:30pm † Bill and Delores Tierney

MASS SCHEDULE AND PARISH EVENTS

January 6, Sunday

- Coffee and donuts after 9:00am and 11:00am Masses
- Legion of Mary meeting, 12:30pm, Adoration Chapel (downstairs) or Library (upstairs)

January 7, Monday

- SMART (Addictions) Recovery meeting, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall
- YAMS Scripture Series, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

January 8, Tuesday

- MPH Devotion after 8:00am, 12:10pm, 5:30pm Masses
- Parish Rosary, Adoration Chapel, 6:15pm

January 9, Wednesday

- RCIA class, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

January 11, First Friday

- Eucharistic Adoration after 12:10pm Mass, followed by Benediction at 5:30pm

January 12, Saturday

- Praise & Worship, La Luz de Cristo (Spanish), 10:00am, John Paul II Adoration Chapel

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED?

If so, please contact the parish office at (206) 284-4680, email debbie@sacredheartseattle.org, or update your address at <https://sacredheartseattle.org/update-your-information>.

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**ARE YOU IN YOUR 20s OR 30s,
 OR YOUNG AT HEART?**



Join the Young Adult Ministry (YAMs) in our faith formation and social gatherings. Monthly activities include scripture series, hikes, volunteer activities, game nights, and more. See the bulletin board in the vestibule for some highlights.

Email yams@sacredheartseattle.org or talk with Fr. Rich for more information.

SCRIPTURES SERIES, Mondays, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall.