

St. Charles Borromeo Church

Epiphany



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Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM, 10:00 AM
First Saturday	7:30 AM

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Carl P. Collins, Pastor

Rev. Glenn Lecompte, In Residence

Deacon Brent Bourgeois

Mrs. Sandy Marie: Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Carolyn Bourgeois: Secretary,

Mrs. Amber Dugas: Youth Formation Coordinator

Mrs. Janice Autin: Housekeeping

Mr. Kyle Schexnaydre: Groundskeeper

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Celebrated after the Sunday 10:00 AM Mass. Baptismal Seminars are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM. Contact the Parish Office at least two months in advance.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:00 PM – 3:45 PM

By appointment, Any time – Anywhere

MARRIAGE: Couples are asked to contact the Administration Office at least eight months prior to the date of the wedding.

COMMUNION/ANOIDING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick or in the hospital.

FUNERALS: Arrangements may be made at the Parish Office.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL: 24/7

To register for the door code, please call the office.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Reflections for the New Year

2022 was both a challenging and rewarding year for us all.

What have been the biggest challenges of 2022?

What blessings have I received in the past year?

Who has been a special person for me this past year and why?

Where was God's graces at work in my life?

As we begin 2023, we reflect on the magi's journey to Bethlehem, as they followed the star and found Christ. As this new year begins, we must ask ourselves how will Jesus' presence in our lives make a difference?

Which areas do I need to invite God in to do His work of healing and renewal?

What prayerful or spiritual habit will I adopt this year to help me grow?

How much time will I set aside daily for prayer and reflection?

During 2023, let us pray that we can be more aware of the many ways in which God reveals himself to us in our daily lives.

Prayer for Epiphany Sunday

Our Father, I thank You for this Epiphany Sunday. I pray that You will be my daily star, guiding and directing me in all that I do. May your spirit guide me in all truth and knowledge and reveal to me what is of You and what is not of You. Father, I pray that You will teach me all things and help me to be more Christ-like in all that I do. Amen.

CHALKING THE DOOR

We invite you to take part in the tradition of "Chalking the Doors" to celebrate the Epiphany. Packets of chalk and prayer cards with instructions are located at the entrance of MFLC. Chalking your door is a way to honor God in our lives, and ask for His blessing on all those who live in, and visit your home in the coming year.



The Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2023

The star . . . stopped over the place where the child was.
(Matthew 2:9)



Imagine how difficult the Magi's journey was. If they came from Persia, as most scholars believe, they would have had to travel nearly one thousand miles. That's four months on the road. Traveling all that time with treasures like gold,

frankincense, and myrrh would have made them ripe targets for brigands and highway robbers. And then there were the general conditions, "the ways deep and the weather sharp," as the poet T. S. Eliot put it. How many times do you think they were tempted to turn around and return home?

To add insult to injury, when they came to Jerusalem, they discovered there was no "newborn king of the Jews" to be found (Matthew 2:2). They had to go to Bethlehem and "search diligently" for him there (2:8).

What a model of faithfulness and perseverance! And these were pagans who didn't even worship the God of Israel!

On this day, when we celebrate the first Gentiles to worship the Lord Jesus, let's follow their example on our own journey toward Jesus.

When the way of discipleship seems too deep and the weather too sharp, picture the Magi trudging over miles and miles, determined to get to Jesus.

When the lies of the devil or the allure of the world tries to rob you of your faith, picture the Magi guarding their treasures.

When the road to holiness turns out to be longer than you thought it would be, or when it takes an unexpected turn, picture the Magi pressing on to Bethlehem to seek the Christ child.

The Magi were "overjoyed" when they found the Lord (Matthew 2:10). Similarly, your perseverance will be rewarded with the deep-down joy that comes from knowing the overflowing love of Jesus. Surely this is a journey worth taking! "Jesus, help me to persevere so that I can behold your glory!"

The Word Among Us Daily Meditation (January 8, 2023)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

MONDAY (1/9): Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17
TUESDAY (1/10): Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28
WEDNESDAY (1/11): Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39
THURSDAY (1/12): Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45
FRIDAY (1/13): Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12
SATURDAY (1/14): Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17
SAT/SUNDAY (1/14-15): Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

BIBLE VERSE OF THIS WEEK:

**"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have
come to do him homage." (Matthew 2:2)**



Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon....., 1/9 - NO MASS - Feast of The Baptism of the Lord

Tues....., 1/10 - 7:30 A.M. MASS - George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Jerry Benoit (B); Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wed....., 1/11 - 7:30 A.M. MASS - George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Mary Jane Rieth (B); Roland Knobloch Jr.; Vital & Justilia (DA) Chiasson

Thurs....., 1/12 - 7:30 A.M. - Mass - George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Jeanne Z. Trosclair (B)

Fri....., 1/13 - 7:30 A.M. - Mass - Feast of Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church: George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Jean Hebert; Philip Barrios & Family

Sat....., 1/14 - 4:00 P.M. Mass - Vigil Mass of The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Albun & Ida Clement; Betty Benoit (B); Catherine Plaisance; Charles & Nell Zeringue; Steve & Laurie Autin; T.J. & Nell France; Cleveland Foret; Clifton & Emma Lee Babin; Richard Babin; Curtis J. Giroir (DA-1/5); Donald Robichaux Sr.; Donatien & Kate Danos; Dora Danos; Elvina Darby & Rose; Esther Ledet; Frank & Edna Weimer; Gautreaux & Richard Families; George, Louise, & Marcella Bourgeois; Freddie Pierce; Gerald "T-Shay" Foret; Gordner & Velma Foret; Jean Hebert; Jules Quatrevingt; Kirby Zeringue; Louis & Inez Devillier Family; Louise Bourgeois (DA); M/M Emile Barrios & Family; Aline & Marion; M/M Leroy Folse; Parrish Hebert; Philip Ledet III; Ruth, Charlie & Gerald Brown; Phyllis Dufrene; Randy Clement; Raymond Arabie; Roland Knobloch Jr.; Roy & Josephine Foret & Allen; Roy Bourgeois; Joseph A. Toups Jr.; Sally Thibodaux; Stone Savoy; Wilbert Dufrene; Ashley Dufrene; Beth Dufrene; Velma & Scuddy Hebert; Betty Ann Hebert; William "Bill" Nezzio; Wilson J. & Gabriella W. Melancon; Ralph Melancon; Barbara Melancon; Kenneth Delcambre Sr.; Elsie Babin Gaudet (DA-1/17); Elsie David

Sun....., 1/15 - 7:30 A.M. - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Bob Landry; Bobby Deroche; Calvin Boudreaux Sr.; Calvin P. Boudreaux; Dave J. Robichaux; Mary W. Robichaux; Hazel B. Boudreaux; Chester G. Boudreaux; Carol Trosclair; Donald Robichaux Sr.; Freddie Pierce; Harry Becnel; Marguerite Thibodaux; Helen Schexnaydre; Jean Hebert; Joy Lynn Naquin; Joyce Ann & Bickey Arceneaux; Jules J. & Jeanne L. Ball; Michael Trosclair; Michael Poussard; Brandon Courteaux; Bobby Deroche; Jules Quatrevingt; Phyllis Dufrene; Rose & Edward Comeaux Jr.; Linda Kliebert; Murphy Morvant; Olga L. Robichaux; Phil & Goldie Weimer; Ray Weimer Jr.; Richard Weimer; Wilbur J. Brown & Ethlyn "Toot" Brown

Sun....., 1/15 - 10:00 A.M. - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Brian Chiasson (B); Christine Martin; Madison A. Lagarde; Christopher Dantin; Cleveland Foret; Constancio "Camoy" Izaguirre; Danny & Charlene Ferreira; Dr. James Danos; Dale

Lirette; Scott Breau; Ferrell Degruise; Hadley Sevin (B); Joseph A. Toups Jr.; Joseph Lagarde Sr.; Dorothy "Dot" Lagarde; Beverly L. Breau; Stephen Gossen; Ronny Gossen; Betty Lou Babin; Mire Family; K.C. Toups, DVM; Kerry Robichaux; David "Bubby" Robichaux Jr.; Martha Greer; Myra Blanchard; Nolan "Pip" & Toudell Bourgeois; Francis Bourgeois; Teddy Baudoin Sr.; Whitman & Prejeant Families; Willard Chauvin Sr.; Jerry A. Martinez; Suzanne Champagne (B)

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – JANUARY 9, 2023

In the baptism of the Lord, Jesus' divinity is made clear when God the Father proclaims, *"This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."* Jesus' baptism also underlines the mystery of the Son of God becoming one of us. As a human person, Jesus identified with us not only in our strengths, but in our frailty. After His baptism, Jesus began His public ministry of teaching, peaching, healing, and freeing people. Some responded, others turned away, but to those who believed, **He brought new life.**

PASSED FROM THIS LIFE SEEKING GOD'S MERCIFUL LOVE:

(1/3/2023) Mrs. Elsie Lagarde David

YOUTH FORMATION NEWS

Mark your calendar for the following classes this month!



January 8: 10:00AM – 12:00 Noon (MFLC)
9 - 11 Grade
January 9: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM (MFLC/Keller Hall)
1st – 8th Grade
January 22: 10:00AM – 1:00PM (Lg. Group)
10:00 AM Youth Formation Mass
9th - 11th Grade
January 23: 6:00PM – 7:00 PM (MFLC/Keller Hall)
1st – 8th Grade

In Loving Memory

(January 6-12, 2023)



Blessed Sacrament Candle
Iver & Chiasson Families

Missalettes
Joy Lynn Naquin

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING:

- Wanda Berthelot for organizing the Advent Sharing Tree and those who helped.
- All who gave gifts/money for the Sharing Tree.
- To those who helped put the outside Crib together.
- To those who helped decorate the church for Christmas – as always, BEAUTIFUL!
- To the musicians and singers for the Christmas Masses.
- To all those who sent cards, gifts, and treats to the Staff.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

(January 1, 2023)

\$2,721.00	Envelopes
165.00	Loose
150.00	Online Giving
\$3,036.00	Total



Solemnity of Mary: \$669.90
Initial Envelope: \$96.00
Add'l. Maintenance: \$50.00
Add'l. Christmas: \$200.00
Add'l. Christmas Charities: \$390.00
St. Anthony: \$0.00

DATES, TIMES, & PLACES

Mon..., 1/9 - **NO MASS**

6:00 P.M. – Youth Formation Class 1st – 8th Grades
(MFLC & Keller Hall)

Tues..., 1/10 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)

Wed..., 1/11 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass/Novena (MFLC)

10:00 A.M. – Rosary (MFLC)

6:00 P.M. - Ladies Altar Society Meeting (Conf. Rm.)

Thurs..., 1/12 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass

6:30 P.M. – K.C. Meeting (Keller Hall)

Fri..., 1/13 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass (MFLC)

Sat..., 1/14 - 4:00 P.M. – Vigil Mass (MFLC)

Sun..., 1/15 - 7:30 A.M. – Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass

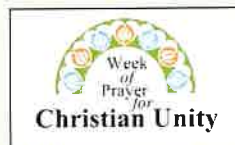
Mon..., 1/16 – Administration Office Closed
(Martin Luther King Holiday)



January Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

For Educators: We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE



During the week of Prayer for Christian Unity, there will be an Ecumenical Prayer Service on Sunday, January 22, 2023, at 2:00 P.M. at the First United Methodist Church (6109 La 311, Houma.) Everyone is invited to attend. A reception will follow.

QUOTE:

"God uses setbacks to move us forward."

