



The Catholic Church of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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Welcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

Liturgical Ministers January 3, 2021

8:00 am	Altar Server	Jon Carr/Will Crawford
	A/V Team	Craig & Terry Southard
	Ushers	Nance FitzGibbon / Eli Castro
10:30 am	Master of Ceremonies	Jon Williams
	Thurifer	Luke Garland
	Crucifer	Anthony Gunnip
	Torchbearers	Jacob Garland/Matthew Garland
	Boat Boy	Ayden Estrada
	A/V Team	Brandon & Ian Gunnip
	Ushers	Dave Palmer/Kevin Vina
1:00 pm	Master of Ceremonies	Vincent Lohla
	A/V Team	TBD
	Ushers	Lonnie & Nate Jones

Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021

Music of the Mass

Mass Setting is Missa de Angelis

Please see separate hymn sheets

Prelude.....	<i>Ave, Ave the Angels Sang</i>
Entrance Hymn.....	<i>As With Gladness Men of Old</i>
Sprinkling Rite.....	<i>Asperges me Traditional Chant</i>
Epiphany Pageant.....	<i>See separate sheet for lyrics</i>
Offertory Hymn.....	<i>When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known</i>
Mysterium Fidei.....	<i>"We Proclaim..."</i>
Lord's Prayer.....	<i>Pascha Nostrum</i>
Communion Hymns.....	<i>Deck Thyself</i>
Communion Anthems	<i>Still, Still, Still and Three Kings from Persian Land by Gustav Holst</i>
Recessional Hymn.....	<i>What Star is This</i>
Postlude	<i>TBA</i>

Collect

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy Only Begotten Son to the Gentiles: mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may be led onward through this earthly life, until we see the vision of thy heavenly glory; through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen

Scripture of the Mass

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall walk by your light, and kings in the brightness of your rising.

Lift up your eyes round about, and see: they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far, and you daughters shall be carried in the arms. Then you shall see and be radiant, your heart shall thrill and rejoice; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. and the 1:00 p.m. Masses

Gradual

All they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and incense: and shall show forth the praises of the Lord.
V. Arise and shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Brethren: I assume that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that is, how the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.

Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. and the 1:00 p.m. Masses

Alleluia

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We have seen his star in the East: and are come with offerings to worship the Lord.

Alleluia

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise Men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East and have come to worship him."

When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet: 'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel.'"

Then Herod summoned the Wise Men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."

When they had heard the king they went their way; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.



The Prayers of the People

For Those in Special Need

The Mata Family; Jerry; Alice; Kim; Darlene; Joe; Malia; Sky; Keith; Diane; Martin; Olga; Jacqui; Betty; Royal; Paul; Timothy; Marilyn; Mary; Hailey; Kelly; Colleen; Isabella; Ronald; Carol; Shelli; Echo.

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Haylee; Kayla; Nicholas; Brett Lee; Pierson; Lucas; Patrick; Richard; Victor; Byron; Luke; Christian; Chelsey; Dillon; Mathew; Annie; Josh; Sebastian; Brandon; James; Jacob.

For Those Expecting Children

Alnisha & Sherwin; Billie Jean & Thomas; Kelly & Mike; Stephanie & Jeremy; Mary & Stephen; Allie & Thaddeus; Clarissa & Devin; Mary Elizabeth & Danny; Jennifer & Jude; Shelby & Ryan.

For the Faithful Departed On the Anniversary of Their Deaths

Monday: Greyson Christopher Pollock; Bryce Ziba; *Wednesday:* Jack Steele; Don Stewart *Thursday:* Dinah Thayer; *Friday:* Myrtle Brown; *Saturday:* Jim Allen.

For those Celebrating Birthdays

Sunday: Anthony Clark; *Monday:* Emily Keller; Rafael Refi; *Tuesday:* Clare Skertchly; *Wednesday:* Taylor Kelly; Amber Phelps; *Friday:* Destiny Aguilar; Michael Bell; Echo Lewis; *Saturday:* Sam Brennan; Nance FitzGibbon; George Lienstern.

This Week at St. Mary the Virgin

Sunday, January 3

Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.,
High Mass with Choir at 10:30 a.m.
Epiphany Pageant
Low Mass with Hymns at 1:00 p.m.

Monday, January 4

Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: John Wall, Priest, RIP*)

Tuesday, January 5

Mass at 6:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Karina Rodriguez, RIP*)
RCIA Class at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 6

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.
Mass at 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: Peter Nguyen, RIP*)

Thursday, January 7

Mass 12:00 p.m..
(*Mass Intention: Mairead Griffin, RIP*)

Friday, January 8

Mass 12:00 p.m.
(*Mass Intention: All Souls in Purgatory*)
Eucharistic Adoration at 1:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 9

Saturday Morning Martyrs at 8:00 a.m.
Mass at 9:00 a.m.
(*Mass Intentions: Eugene Flanagan, RIP*)
Confessions at 10:00 a.m.

For Families with Gluten Sensitivities

We have had a number of families come to us who have a need for gluten free hosts. Our desire is that everyone who wants to receive the Blessed Sacrament is able to do so, but the necessity for keeping the gluten free hosts separate means that we must have a procedure in place that will protect our parishioners and insure that the priests can distribute the Sacrament in an orderly fashion. Therefore, we are going to ask that the following guidelines be followed:

1. Contact the Church Office to get the names of the vendors offering gluten free hosts that are approved by the Catholic Church. Not all of them are! Please purchase your own approved hosts and a pyx to put them in.
2. When you come to Mass, bring the number of hosts you will need to the sacristy BEFORE the Mass. Please bring ONLY the number you need for that

Mass. Please do not bring extras.

3. The consecrated low gluten hosts will be distributed at the **end** of the Communion line. Please go up to receive your Communion when you see the ushers go to the Altar Rail. This way the priest need only make one trip to pick up all the low gluten hosts at once and the distribution will go more smoothly.

4. Pick up your pyx from the Sacristy after Mass is over, ready to do it again next Sunday.

Please contact the Church Office for more information.

The Parish Offering

Weekly Offering Forecast.....	\$6,000.00
Actual Offertory (Sunday).....	\$7,090.00
Christmas Eve and Day.....	\$4,363.00
End of Year.....	\$10,835.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Dear Friends in Christ

As I mentioned in last week's letter, while the hustle and bustle of Christmas ends for many people on Dec. 26, the Season of Christmas lasts for Catholics for twelve days – all the way until Jan. 6.

This feast marking the end of Christmas is called "Epiphany."

In the Latin Rite of the Catholic Church (of which we are a part), Epiphany celebrates the revelation that Jesus was the Son of God. It focuses primarily on this revelation to the Three Wise Men, but also in His baptism in the Jordan and at the wedding at Cana.

In the Eastern rites of the Catholic Church, "Theophany" – as Epiphany is known in the East – commemorates the manifestation of Jesus' divinity at his Baptism in the River Jordan.

While the traditional date for the feast is Jan. 6, in the United States the celebration of Epiphany is moved to the closest Sunday (by a decision of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, under which the Ordinariate functions here in the USA)

Epiphany is often marked by taking chalk (blessed at Mass) home afterwards. Our parishioners are invited to inscribe the first part of the year, followed by the letters and then the last numbers of the year on top of the front door of their house. This year the inscription will be "20+C+M+B+21" The letters stand for the names tradi-

tionally given to the Three Wise Men – Casper, Melchior and Balthazar – as well as for the Latin phrase "*Christus mansionem benedicat*," or, "Christ, bless this house."

However, the meaning of the feast goes deeper than just the bringing of presents, chalking our doors or the commemorating the end of the end of Christmas

Season. The gifts themselves that the Wise Men brought – frankincense, myrrh and gold – are gifts that point not only to Christ's divinity and His revelation to the Magi as the King of Kings, but also to His crucifixion. Frankincense comes from the dried sap of Boswellia trees, while Myrrh comes from the lifeblood of the Commiphora plant. Everything from the bark of the tree to the sap inside is fragrant, so both Frankincense and Myrrh can be used as incense and perfume. In giving Myrrh (traditionally used to anoint a body for burial), these gifts, bring a theological "shadow", a sense of anticipation

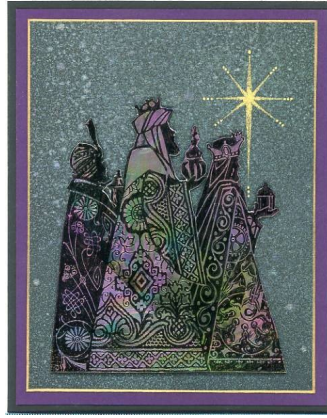
of what is to come.

Our boys and girls will enact this wonderful event at the Epiphany Pageant at the High Mass today. We thank all who have worked so hard to perform this pageant and indeed all who worked so hard to give us a wonderful Christmas here!

Faithfully,

Your Friend and Pastor,

Fr. Christopher C. Stainbrook



Prayer for Vocations

Priest: Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

All: O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest: Bless our families. / Bless our children.

All: Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

Priest: Mary Queen of the Clergy!

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(For the Greater Glory)

Flowers: CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Sanctuary Light: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady: John Quin *in loving memory of Ann Quin.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Joseph: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday.*

Lamp at the Shrine of St. Therese: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday.*

Lamp at the Shrine of Blessed Charles I: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday*

Lamp at St. Thomas More: John Quin *for the Quin family.*

Lamp at St. John Fisher: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday.*

Lamp at the Altar of Relics: Gerro Hayden *in memory of Joe's birthday..*