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*Wise men still seek Him*

**The Epiphany of the Lord- January 4, 2026**

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

On this feast of the Epiphany, the Church lifts our eyes beyond the manger and toward the nations of the world. Today is not only about the Magi arriving in Bethlehem; it is about what their journey reveals. As Saint Paul wrote in our second reading to the Ephesians, a mystery hidden for ages has now been made known by the Spirit *that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.*

Epiphany means manifestation, or, God showing Himself. And what God reveals is amazing. His plan was never small, never limited or reserved for a select few. From the beginning, God desired a family drawn from every people, language, and nation. The star that guided the Magi was not only a sign for them, it is a sign for the whole world, that no one is outside God's invitation.

Saint Paul speaks personally, describing the grace given to him to announce this mystery. Paul did not invent the Gospel, he received it. And once received, it could not remain private. The revelation demanded to be shared. Epiphany reminds us that faith is never meant to be hoarded. The light of Christ grows brighter when it is passed on.

This has real consequences for us as a parish community. If it is true that there are no "outsiders," no one merely passing through, too far gone, too unfamiliar, too different, or too new, then every person who walks through our doors is someone for whom Christ came, someone in whom God desires to dwell.

Epiphany also challenges us to ask, Who are the Magi of our own time? Who is searching? Who is curious? Who is standing at a distance, watching the light from afar, unsure if it is meant for them? The Church does not shine by drawing attention to herself, but by always reflecting Christ faithfully, humbly, joyfully.

As we begin this new year together, never forget the mystery entrusted to us. We are members of one body, bearers of one promise, and witnesses to one Lord. Let us ask for the courage to live as people of Epiphany who reveal Christ with our welcome, our generosity, and our love.

May the same star that led the Magi continue to guide our parish, drawing all people closer to Jesus Christ, the Light of the world.

God Bless,

Fr. Bryan



# MASS INTENTIONS

## JANUARY 3 - JANUARY 11

**SATURDAY** 5 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
JAN 3

**SUNDAY** 10:00 AM JUDITH RIBEIRO (8<sup>TH</sup> ANN.)  
JAN 4 FROM ANA ABOUNADER  
**EPIPHANY** 12:30 PM JACK PALMESE  
FROM BARBARA RZASKI  
& DIANE STRASZ

**TUESDAY** 12:30 PM NICK & KATE WHELAN  
JAN 6 FROM SEAN HEANEY

**WEDNESDAY** 12:30 PM  
JAN 7 FROM

**THURSDAY** 12:30 PM. MARGUERITE SCHWARZ  
JAN 8 PODGALSKY  
FROM PATRICIA MERCURI

**FRIDAY** 12:30 PM.  
JAN 9 FROM

**SATURDAY** 5 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
JAN 10

**SUNDAY** 10 AM JAMES GRANZOW  
JAN 11 FROM OLC PAROCHIAL COUNCIL  
12:30 PM GABRIELA & MANUEL  
ALEMAN  
FROM THE ALEMAN FAMILY

### *Sunday Scripture*

*January 4*

Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

*January 11*

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Mt 3:13-17



**OVER THE WEEKEND OF  
DECEMBER 27 & 28, 572 PEOPLE  
ATTENDED MASS WITH  
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through virtue, rigor and joy.*

**UPPER SCHOOL (4-8)**  
January 16 8:30am  
February 27 8:30am  
April 22 8:30am  
225 Morris Blvd

**LOWER SCHOOL (TT-3rd)**  
April 18  
ECC (2 year olds) 9am  
LS (PK-3rd) 10:30am

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# OLC Kids' Bulletin

## What is Epiphany?

January 6<sup>th</sup> celebrates the visit of the Three Wise Men



*"What seems so impossible to nature is quite easy to grace."*

*-Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,  
From Collected Writings  
Volume IIIa, page 568*

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

**Feast January 4th**

Elizabeth Ann Seton was born in New York City in 1774, two years before the Declaration of Independence was signed. She was canonized - that is, formally named a saint by the pope - in 1975. She was the first US citizen born in the United States (though they didn't exist when she was born) to be canonized.

## Be amazed!

### Start the new year with wonder

We always begin the new year celebrating Mary, the mother of Jesus. Mary thinks about many amazing things when the shepherds come to celebrate Jesus: she thinks of the angel Gabriel, who first told her about Jesus, and she thinks of how she helped her cousin, Elizabeth, whose son leapt in her womb with joy to be near Jesus, too.

God is always showing us amazing things, and talking to us through our life, just as he did to Mary. The Three Wise Men came with gifts for Jesus, and today we celebrate that, too. What are ways we can make our lives gifts to Jesus?

Notice what makes you full of wonder in your life, what fills you with love, and thank God for bringing those wonders to you. It could be snow, a squirrel carrying a piece of bread twice its size along a cable, a parent's voice singing your favorite song, a hug, or a baby sibling's first steps.

May God's presence be clear and full in your year, and may you share it, as the shepherds and Mary did.



## The Litany of Loreto & Mary's Many Names

Mary has had many titles as different people have prayed for her help bringing their needs and gratitude to God over the past two thousand years. There is a special prayer, called the Litany of Loreto, that calls to Mary by her many names. A litany is a prayer full of repetition, often with the same starting or ending words in a line, like a list. Our parish also has a special name for Mary! Below you'll find some names from the litany, and names from different parts of the world or the history of the church. Choose one of the names Mary has from this list, or find another one, and pray for her intercession in this year. Ask for her help and her blessings for yourself, or for someone special to your heart.

- Mary, Holy Mother of God
- Mother of Mercy
- Mother of Hope
- Mirror of Justice
- Mary, Queen of Peace
- Our Lady Seat of Wisdom
- Our Lady of Czestochowa
- Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Our Lady of Fatima
- Our Lady of Loreto
- Our Lady of Lourdes
- Our Lady, Mystical Rose
- Our Lady, Tower of David
- Our Lady of Good Counsel
- Our Lady of Charity
- Our Lady of Hope
- Our Lady, Undoer of Knots
- Our Lady, Star of the Sea
- Our Lady of the Snow
- Our Lady of the Rosary
- Mary, Queen of the Apostles





**2026/2027**  
**EARLY REGISTRATION OPEN**  
**FOR PARISH FAMILIES**



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