Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church

Love God ~ Serve Others ~ Go Make Disciples

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The third candle of Advent is rose, reflecting the joy that comes through Jesus' arrival.

Gaudete Sunday is a mini celebration at the halfway point in the preparation for Christ's coming.

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025

Today's Readings: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 ~ James 5:7-10 ~ Matthew 11:2-11

Faith Question: Name the one thing in your life which you must "move out of the way" in order to make more room for Christ – a grudge, a possession, a memory, a hurt, or a feeling.

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 7:10-14 ~ Romans 1:1-7 ~ Matthew 1:18-24

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve ~ *Wednesday, December 24*, 4:00pm, 7:00pm[‡], 10:00pm Christmas Day ~ *Thursday, December 25*, 10:00am* Carols will be sung 30 minutes prior to all of the Christmas Masses.

You can join in or just enjoy the carols!

Feast of Mary, Mother of God

(Day of Obligation)

Feast Day ~ *Wednesday, December 31*, 5:30pm[†] Feast Day ~ *Thursday, January 1*, 10:00am*

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*Mass will be live-streamed on the Epiphany Facebook and YouTube channel. See our website epiphanyokc.org for the link.

*Incense will not be used at this Mass.
Babysitting will not be available at any of the Christmas Masses.

Additional parking at the Pastoral Center.

Faith Commitment 2026

Recently you received your 2026 Faith
Commitment form. Please complete the form
and bring it back with you next week. You can
place it in the box on the Welcome Table, in the
collection basket, or you can mail it
back. You can also use this QR code
to submit your form online.

Epiphany Advent Penance Service

this Sunday, December 14, at 5:00pm in the church. Bring a bible or spiritual reading for meditation time.

Daily Readings for Advent and Christmas

Blue Advent and Christmas Books are available on the marble table in the foyer. A donation of \$1.50 is requested per book. They are filled with daily reflections for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.

Parish Staff Office 405-722-2110 ~ Fax 405-722-6719 Office Hours: 9:00am-4:30pm Pastor - Father Stephen Bird epiphany@epiphanyokc.org (moderated).....x111 Associate Pastor - Father Vic Luong associatepastor@epiphanyokc.org....x112 Deacons - Deacon Frank Alexander deaconalexander@epiphanyokc.org Deacon Eric Conrady deaconconrady@epiphanyokc.org Deacon Robert Heskamp (Retired) **Director of Operations - Geof Archer** operationsdirector@epiphanyokc.org.....x110 Pastoral Associate and Safe Environment - Tammy Jacobs pastoralassociate@epiphanyokc.org.....x123 safeenvironment@epiphanyokc.org Financial/Member Records - Jacob Devasia records@epiphanyokc.org.....x114 **Director of Faith Formation -** Deborah West faithformation@epiphanyokc.org.....x118 Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry - Sarah Holt youth@epiphanyokc.org....x120 Music Director - Brent McWilliams musicdirector@epiphanyokc.org.....x115 Contemporary Choir Director - Bryan Warren bawarren.ent@gmail.com405-474-4385 Children's Day Out Director - Bernadette Tilton cdodirector@epiphanyokc.org.....x129 Communications Director and Technology - Cara Koenig communications@epiphanyokc.org.....x128 Afternoon Receptionist - Kate Micaletti receptionist@epiphanyokc.org.....x124 山 Lord Jesus, We lift these people up to you: The healer of the sick, who raised the dead to life. We praise you for the faith you give us to keep on hoping and praying for those who are ill. (adapted from: Living Faith) Amen. Please Pray For... Marcia Brejda, Mary Ann Reherman, Gerald Duke, Lenny Ortiz, Audrey, Michael, and Penny Antkowiak, Bernice Koscielniak, Kemsley Sigala, Michael Micaletti, Mike Stich, Emmie Walkup, Sophie Miye, Emmanuel Tsiambom, Marilyn Jo Simpson, Phyliss Larimer, Sandee Fitzgerald, Alice O'Brien, Breanna Gottlieb, Melva Carney, Terri Headrick, Jennce Mariel Melendez, Pat Fanning, Sylvia Flemming, Kathie

Heskamp, Mike Moxley, Glinda Parmley, Alex Davis, Cameron Grelle, Lynda Birch, Barbara Bauer, Joanna La Porte, Dovie

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: Vigil, 5:30pm*

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am*+, 12:30pm

Monday - Friday: 8:00am

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30am, 11:30am, 6:30pm * *Childcare available during Mass in the nursery*. + *This Mass is Live-Streamed on the Epiphany Facebook and YouTube pages*.

Adoration

Monday - Friday: Following 8:00am Mass

First Monday: 6:00pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday, 6:30pm

and by appointment

Baptism: Contact Parish Office

during pregnancy

Matrimony: Contact Pastor at least

6-12 months in advance

Letters of Good Standing

Request must be made a minimum of 14 days in advance. Contact Geof Archer, 405-722-2110 ext. 110 for a letter of reference, to be a sponsor or godparent.

Sacramental Records

Contact Cara Koenig, 405-722-2110 ext. 128 or sacraments@epiphanyokc.org to request a sacramental record. Anyone 18 and older must request records for themselves.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday 10:00am, December 14
ФВruce H. BaumannВernie Cornforth
Monday, December 15
₱All Deceased Souls of the Mai FamilyAnn Mai
Tuesday, December 16
In ThanksgivingKhan Duong
Wednesday, December 17
♣ Dorothy MartinBarbara Rolling
Thursday, December 18
<i>♣Aimee SeatonBarbara Rolling</i>
Friday, December 19
₱Maria DoAnn Mai
Saturday, December 20
& Theresa Le NhanAnthony Mai

Minister Schedule for December 20 and 21

5:30PM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Dee Jae Enarsao, Emmanuel Tsiambom, Jayden Tsiambom

Communion Ministers - John Oldfield (WW), Marilyn Oldfield (W), Tom Bombardier (WC), Mike Boeckman (EC), James Novak (E), Chris Rolling (B)

Greeters - Tom Bombardier, Martha Bombardier, Chris Rolling, Keri Warren

Lectors - Judy Reilly, Phil Reilly

Ushers - Carol Chimahusk*, Ken Sullivan, Tom Suppa,

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8:00AM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Vincent Fillmore, Fedor Posa, Alexander Sanchez Communion Ministers - Cheryl Childers (WW), Jacob Devasia (W), Shainy Jacob (WC), Melena Keeth (WC) Danny Fillmore (EC), John Heinen (E), Vickie Lofgren (B)

Greeters - Nancy Fitzpatrick, Glenda Manley, 2 Volunteers Needed

Lectors - Janet Damaska, Hiep Hoang

Ushers - Ellis Annett, Jim Fitzpatrick, Harley Hintergardt,

Martin Storozyszyn

Mass Coordinator - Nancy Annett

10:00AM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Lauren Connelly, Ugo Iheanacho, James McQuade Communion Ministers - Judy Larzalere (WW), Brian Connelly (W), Susan Hoehner (WC), Judy Fisher (WC), Brian McQuade (EC), Cheryl Fennell (EC), Kortney McQuade (E), Andrew McQuade (EE), Teresa Larson* (B)

Greeters - Melanie Connelly, Michiko Dowling, Carol Haggard, Janice Kusbel

Lectors - Louise Angah, Emmanuel Iheanacho

Ushers - Eric Meador, Norma Meador, Pat Petersen, Athen Rosales

12:30PM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Michael Abawonse, Patrick Cunningham, Jude Tejada Communion Ministers - Mary Jane Wittrock (W), Lisa Fleming (WC), Audrey Antkowiak (EC), Ronny Lewis (E), Teresa Lewis (B)

Greeters - Anjali Poulo, Aleena Torres, Bill Wittrock,

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Mary Jane Wittrock

Lectors - Ninivet Anaya, Luis Torres*

Ushers - Shaji Poulo, Wendell Shannon, Luis Torres, Volunteer Needed

WELCOME TABLE

Stephen Ministry

MONEY COUNTERS

9:00am - Rich Roman, James Fitzpatrick

*Mass Coordinator

Donut Duty Volunteers Needed

We are seeking volunteers to help serve coffee and donuts one Sunday a month for the next 6 months. For **January-June** at 8:00am or 10:00am Mass. A sign-up sheet is on the Welcome Table. For more information, call Lori Fischer at 405-519-4925.

Looking Ahead in Our Parish

Sunday, December 14

9:00am Breaking Open the Word 11:15am Faith Formation (PK4-5th)

11:15am I Believe 11:15am Inquiry Session

11:15am Catechumenate Session

5:00pm Penance Service 6:30pm High School Night

Monday, December 15

9:30am Daniel Keefe Funeral 6:00pm Cub Scouts Meeting

Tuesday, December 16

10:30am Grief Support 6:00pm Advent Video Series

Wednesday, December 17

9:00am Sunday to Sunday Bible Study

10:00am Senior Walk

11:30am Brown Bag Book Club

12:30am Classics Bunco

5:45pm Middle School Faith Formation

and Youth Group (6-8th)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 18

9:00am Woodcarvers

4:00pm Youth Scripture Study 6:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 19

10:00am Advent Video Series

No Faith Formation

Sunday, December 21 - Elementary (PK4-5th)
Wednesday, December 24 - Middle School (6-8th)
Sunday, December 28 - Elementary (PK4-5th)
Sunday, December 28 - Journey of Faith
Wednesday, December 31 - Middle School (6-8th)

The Second Collection

The Second Collection for *December 20 and 21* is for the Priest Medical & Religious Retirement Fund.

Sacrificial Giving General Support Report Sunday Envelopes: \$12,791.00

Sign up for auto payments with ParishSoft at https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/FD-806

Happy 75th Birthday, Fr. Bird!



December 15

Thank you for all that you do for us at Epiphany!

You are a blessing to us!

Community Service Coffee Drive

We have plenty of turkeys.

Now we need coffee for the Christmas baskets!

The Christmas Community Service Board needs your help to make Christmas wonderful for less fortunate families. Consider donating a large can of coffee to be distributed to the families. You do not have to sign up to donate, just shop and bring the coffee to church. Leave them in the carts in the foyer. They can also be delivered to the church office during the week by Wednesday, December 17.

Blood Pressure Checks will be taken after all Masses *next weekend*, *December 20 and 21*, by our Health Ministry Team.



Grief Support

Grief is such an individual process after the loss of a loved one, job, or any other significant setback we might have encountered. It is increasingly tough during the holiday season, especially if this is the first holiday season after such a loss. If this is your situation, you are invited to attend our confidential grief support meeting.

Our next grief support meeting will be this Tuesday, December 16,

at 10:30am in Room 2.
For more information call
Jodie McKleroy 405-650-4992 or
David Brambrink at 405-659-7625.

Volunteer Coordinators Needed

Epiphany's Saint Vincent de Paul Society needs volunteers to join our group and coordinate Neighbor in Need requests. This involves home, phone, and computer communication.

Time commitment is approximately 4-6 hours per week. For more information, contact Kelley Cornelius at 405-721-6124 or klcorn@outlook.com.

Renewal of Wedding Vows

The renewal of vows for all December celebrants will be *this weekend*, *December 13 and 14*, at all Masses.





Classics Bunco

(55 years old and older) this Wednesday, December 17, at 12:30pm in the Patio Room. For information call Judy, 405-831-3437.



The Community Service Board will be collecting Christmas Gifts. Please select items from the list below to help make Christmas joyful for those less fortunate. Items may be left in the box in the church foyer or brought to the church office during the week.

Sister BJ's Pantry

\$10 McDonald's or Walmart gift cards

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Anything of a personal nature for a young mother
Lotions, bubble bath or shower gels
Scarves, hats or gloves
Fun socks
*No fingernail polish please

TOYS ALSO!

St. Vincent de Paul Society \$25 Walmart, Target or VISA gift cards

Sanctuary

Blankets, any size

Donations are welcome. You may write a check to "Community Service Board-Epiphany" or place cash noted for CSB in an envelope in the collection basket.

St. Ann's Nursing Home

For Women or Men

Blankets, regular and lap-size, Shawls (any item of clothing should button up)

(any item of clothing should button u Slipper socks XL

"Soft" chocolate candies
(without nuts, please no chocolate covered cherries
or hard candies)

Sugar free candies

Hats, scarves, gloves
Large print books, word find books
Adult coloring books, colored pencils,

coloring books, color crayons

For Women

Over-the-head necklaces
Beaded or bauble stretch bracelets
Scented lotions, shower gels, body
wash or body spray

For Men

After shave and shave gels and lotions