

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



**We are the
Heart and
Hands
of Jesus!**

January 3, 2015

The Epiphany of the Lord

We are to walk always in the light of the Lord.

"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." These Magi did not know the person they were seeking to honor. They had not met Jesus, but had embarked upon a long and arduous journey in order to come into his presence. Although they were not from among the Jewish people who had received the ancient promises of a Messiah, they were nonetheless anticipating his arrival. And when they found him, "they were overjoyed." Their quest had come to its moment of fulfillment when "they saw the child with Mary his mother."

For those of us who have been raised Christian since our infancy, it's important to reflect on the joy of the Magi. They found Christ as a result of great effort and expense. The very trials of their journey, and the hope that was fulfilled when it was successful, made them appreciate their encounter with Jesus in a profound way as "they prostrated themselves... and offered him gifts." Converts to the faith may have a kind of advantage in comprehending the experience of the Magi. But cradle Catholics may need to exert a bit more effort to share in the wonder. Even when Jesus has always been a part of someone's life, it is still important to stand in awe of him. On the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, we meditate on what it means to "find" Jesus. For some of us, this means remembering a conversion experience, but for others it means imagining what life would be like without him, and then rejoicing in the fact that he is truly with us. No matter how we found the Lord, we too should fall down on our knees in adoration and offer him the precious treasures of our lives: our fervent devotion and our will to serve him.



EPIPHANY

Parish Mission Statement:

We are a Catholic Community guided by the Holy Spirit, striving to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through teaching, worship and service.

As a family of faith, we are called to celebrate the Lord's presence among us by loving acceptance of all people.



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Ministries for January 9th & January 10th

Ministry	5:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
Lector	Irene Brandt	Tracy Hull	Patrisia Navarro
Bread	Cathy Martinelli	Cathy Markoff Jenn Anderson Helen Rotello	Patches Lucero Michael Fontaine Jane Portner
Cup	Kathy Maes Richard Crum	Bernie Humphreys Denise Welham Ty Anderson Theresa Pardo	John Jiron Genevieve Rotella Lorriane Crespin Liz Perez
Altar Server	Lacy Wilkison	Maya Koch Emma Koch Ellie Hull	Richard Perez Camryn Von der Hofen Abri Knutsen



Upcoming Community Events:

Faith Sharing

January 4th 1:00pm

Bingo

January 5th 12:00 pm

January 6th 7:30 pm

Turn II Bingo Hall at 72nd and Pecos

Assumption Catholic School Open House

Sunday January 31st

9:00am Children's Mass

10:00—1:00pm Open House

Stewardship of Tithing December 20, 2015

Saturday 5 pm Mass	\$1,552.00
Sunday 9 am Mass	\$2,625.00
Sunday 11am Mass	\$1,470.20
Children's Collection	\$72.60
Capital Improvement	\$185.00
School	\$110.00
Outreach	\$1,340.75
Parish Hall/Gymnasium Renovation 2015 Project	\$3,900.00
Total:	\$11,255.55

Due to bulletin submission deadlines, our Stewardship of Tithing numbers for December 27th will be reported next week.

Readings for the Week of January 3, 2016

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22--4:6/Ps 2:7-8, 10-12/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19--5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14-15, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Jn 3:22-30



Mass Intentions

Tuesday	January 5
8:30 am	† Peter Tot
Wednesday	January 6
8:30 am	† Anton Thanh
Thursday	January 7
8:30 am	† Anna Mai
Friday	January 8
8:30 am	† All Deceased Souls
Saturday:	January 9
5:00 pm	† Joseph Pedotto
Sunday	January 10
9:00 am	† Ralph Saccomano
11:00 am	People of Assumption

Retirement Fund for Religious

This week a portion of our regular weekly collection will go towards the Retirement Fund for Religious. Please be generous in your support.

Aging religious need your help. In the United States today, there are more than 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. These religious worked tirelessly in Catholic schools, hospitals, and agencies, usually for little to no pay. As a result, many religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more.

A Prayer For The New Year



Dear Lord,

We pray that this New Year will bring us closer to You.

May we take the time to get to know You.

Help us to truly celebrate the gifts You have graciously given us and use them to serve You and spread Your word,

May we also see and love you in all the people we meet, so that in turn, they can see You in us.

We know that all human relations take time if they are to grow and deepen.

This is also true of our relations with You, the Father and the Holy Spirit, which must grow over the course of our lives.

In this new year,

let us realize that every action of ours no matter how great or small enables us to be in touch with You.

Let us accept You in our lives,

in the way it pleases You,

as Truth, to be spoken,

as Life, to be lived,

as Light, to be lighted,

as Love, to be followed,

as Joy, to be given,

as Peace, to be spread about,

as Sacrifice, to be offered among our relatives,

friends, neighbors and all people.

Amen.



Food Bank

Wednesday's from 9:00am-3:00pm

Donations needed at this time:

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|---|----------------------|--------|----------------|
| *canned soup | *cereal | *jelly | *peanut butter |
| *pasta sauce + pasta | *canned tuna/chicken | *bread | |
| *Toiletries (soap, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes) Regular size or travel size | | | |
- \$10 grocery and gas gift cards are also very helpful.

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PARISH HOURS

Monday **12:00pm-3:30pm**

Tue – Thu 8:00am-3:30pm

Friday 8:00am-**12:00pm**

DAILY MASS

Tuesday-Friday 8:30am

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

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