

"They prostrated themselves and did Him homage."
- Matthew 2:1

January 6, 2019

Our Lord's Epiphany

MASS SCHEDULE January 7 thru January 13, 2019

Monday (Jan. 7) - No Mass
Tuesday (Jan. 8) - 7:00 am Daily
Wednesday (Jan. 9) - 7:00 am Daily
Thursday (Jan. 10) - 7:00 am Daily
Friday (Jan. 11) - 8:30 am Mass (School Gym)
Saturday (Jan. 12) - 5:30 pm Vigil (Fr. Pepka)
Sunday (Jan. 13) - 9:00 & 11:00 am, and 4:30 pm

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Event: Formation for Basic Certification. The Office of Family and Faith Formation will be offering formation opportunities in 2019. You will be able to work towards your basic catechist certification, basic ministry certification, or renew your current certificate. Don't miss out on basic formation opportunities in our diocese! Visit <https://www.scd.org/family-and-faith-formation> or call Teresa Donan at (916) 733-0132 or tdonan@scd.org.

Event: World Youth Day. This is a call to all Catholic youth and young adults to renew their faith in Christ and prepare themselves for the work of the new evangelization that lies ahead. Join us for an overnight pilgrimage in the Diocese of Sacramento at the Trinity Pines Catholic Center for fellowship, prayer, food and celebration through a live stream to Panama for the World Youth Day. Dates are: Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 at 1 pm (livestream celebration and dinner) and Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019 at 11 am (breakfast). Location is Trinity Pines Catholic Center, 28000 Rollins Lake Road, Colfax. Registration is \$20.00 per person. Visit www.scd.org/wyd

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY - 1 JN 3:22—4:6; PS 2:7BC-8, 10-12A; See MT 4:23; MT 4:12-17, 23-25
TUESDAY - 1 JN 4:7-10; PS 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; LK 4:18; MK 6:34-44
WEDNESDAY - 1 JN 4:11-18; PS 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; See 1 TM 3:16; MK 6:45-52
THURSDAY - 1 JN 4:19—5:4; PS 72:1-2, 14 and 15BC, 17; LK 4:18; LK 4:14-22
FRIDAY - 1 JN 5:5-13; PS 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; See MT 4:23; LK 5:12-16
SATURDAY - 1 JN 5:14-21; PS 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6A and 9B; MT 4:16; JN 3:22-30
SUNDAY - IS 42:1-4, 6-7; IS 40:1-5, 9-11; PS 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10; CF. MK 9:7; LK 3:15


WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF GRACE

Pastor's
Corner

An "epiphany" is an appearance. In today's readings, with their rising stars, splendorous lights, and mysteries revealed, the face of the child born on Christmas day appears. Herod, in today's Gospel, asks the chief priests and scribes where the Messiah is to be born. The answer Matthew puts on their lips says much more, combining two strands of Old Testament promise—one revealing the Messiah to be from the line of David (see 2 Samuel 2:5), the other predicting "a ruler of Israel" who will "shepherd his flock" and whose "greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth" (see Micah 5:1-3). Those promises of Israel's king ruling the nations resound also in today's Psalm. The psalm celebrates David's son, Solomon. His kingdom, we sing, will stretch "to the ends of the earth," and the world's kings will pay Him homage. That's the scene too in today's First Reading, as nations stream from the East, bearing "gold and frankincense" for Israel's king.

The Magi's pilgrimage in today's Gospel marks the fulfillment of God's promises. The Magi, probably Persian astrologers, are following the star that Balaam predicted would rise along with the ruler's staff over the house of Jacob (see Numbers 24:17). Laden with gold and spices, their journey evokes those made to Solomon by the Queen of Sheba and the "kings of the earth" (see 1 Kings 10:2, 25; 2 Chronicles 9:24). Interestingly, the only other places where frankincense and myrrh are mentioned together are in songs about Solomon (see Song of Songs 3:6; 4:6, 14). One greater than Solomon is here (see Luke 11:31). He has come to reveal that all peoples are "co-heirs" of the royal family of Israel, as today's Epistle teaches. His manifestation forces us to choose: Will we follow the signs that lead to Him as the wise Magi did? Or will we be like those priests and scribes who let God's words of promise become dead letters on an ancient page?

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God Bless Our Troops

BLESS, PROTECT and PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY, O LORD

Nash Bulaong	Thomas Burkstrand	Brian Chrisman
Shelby DeLamora	Jason Enjambre	Zachary Evans
Angelo Garcia	Mikayla George	Lawrence Hermosa
Anthony Huggins	Diana Jacinto	Austin Mora
Wesley Paige	CeCe Pitts	Renald Rivera
Terrin Vilhauer	Christian Watson	Rick G. Marston Jr.

Please pray for their families, the Chaplains, first responders, police, firefighters and all who protect and serve.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS



"Do you know a phenomenal woman whose turn it is to be finally be recognized? Nominations are now being accepted for Woman of the Year. That Christian woman who may have leadership abilities, and who is committed and dedicated to both her church and our community. Please fill out the nomination form and put in the pink box in the back of the church no later than January 27th."



Names remain on the Prayer List for 1 month. Please notify the Parish Office if you wish to add or remove.

JIM THOMPSON	ANA RAMIREZ-PALMER	JEANNETTE DE DIOS	ORLANDO PIZOLA
CARY COPPEL	SONJA CRAIGHTON	SOLANO FAMILY	JOVIN LAWRENCE
DEDE INGLE			

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (Jan 5th) at 5:30 pm For Kitty Bell +
SUNDAY (Jan 6th) at 9:00 am For All Parishioners
at 11:00 am For Patricia Guerra (Healing)
at 4:30 pm For Kitty Bell +
TUESDAY (Jan 8th) at 7:00 am For Kitty Bell +
WEDNESDAY (Jan 9th) at 7:00 am For Walter "BJ" Tanner (Healing)
THURSDAY (Jan 10th) at 7:00 am For Jeannette Cattle +
FRIDAY (Jan 11th) at 8:30 am School Mass (Gym)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 12th
5:30 pm -- TBD
Sunday, January 13th
9:00 am -- TBD
11:00 am -- TBD
4:30 pm -- TBD

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 12th
5:30 pm -- Grace Mosely, Rick Mayoral, Rick Mayoral
Sunday, January 13th
9:00 am -- Valerie Paige, Fay Landry, Byron Paige
11:00 am -- Wilma Bulaong, Rachel Machado, William Smith
4:30 pm -- Dino McCord, Dennison Ocampo, Annie Hoang

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 12th
5:30 pm -- Makenzie Montemayor, Joe Henning
Sunday, January 13th
9:00 am -- Louise Hernandez, Virginia Mochel, Rebecca Rose Mochel
11:00 am -- Alejandro Penilla, Eric Houdeshell, Ben Houdeshell
4:30 pm -- Tristan Torio, Zuriel Joven, Kara Joven

CHILDREN'S LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 13th
9:00 am - TBD 11:00 am - TBD 4:30 pm - TBD

Weekly Budget Goal = \$4,271.00; Dec. 30, 2018 Collection = \$5,357.00

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays; Rosary & Novena, 6:00 pm, followed by Mass (Church).
Bereavement Ministry: Call the Parish Office 916-371-4814 as needed.
Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Parish Ctr). Topic "Gospel of Mark"; format in Lectio Divina.
Catholic Faith Formation: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:45 pm (Sept 2018 to May 2019); for K-5 & Confirmation Prep for 6th - 8th (School).
Graced Youth Ministry: Every other Sunday, 6:00 pm (School Gym).
Moms Ministry: 3rd Sunday of the month, 6:30 - 7:30 pm (Parish Center).
OLG Prayer Meeting: 2nd thru 5th Fridays of the month, 7:00 pm (School Chapel).
RCIA: Thursdays, 5:30 pm and Mondays Inquiry, 7:00 pm. (both in Parish Center).
Respect Life Ministry: 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Church Rectory) and HOUR OF POWER Prayer Session on Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm.
St. Vincent de Paul: 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Church Rectory).
Women's Council: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).

