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## SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.  
(Church &  
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## DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday  
7:30 a.m.  
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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

“Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star  
at its rising and have come to do him homage.” - Mt 2:2

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“Darkness cannot  
drive out darkness,  
only light can do  
that. Hate cannot  
drive out hate, only  
love can do that.”

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

# JANUARY 8, 2023



## ON THE WAY.....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

For much of the world the Feast of Epiphany is more important than Christmas. The word Epiphany is from Greek meaning manifestation or appearance. In classical Greek it was used for the appearance of dawn, of an enemy in war, but especially of a manifestation of a deity to a worshiper. (Hence in some Eastern Churches the feast is called "Theophany," the manifestation of God. In the Bible, the word is used of a manifestation of the God of Israel. In the New Testament the word is used in 2 Timothy 1:10 to refer either to the birth of Christ or to his appearance after his resurrection, and five times to refer to his Second Coming.

In the Western Church (that is the Church which is allied with Rome) Epiphany is associated with the coming of the Magi, the wise men, as the manifestation of the Christ to the nations. The magi represented the non-Jewish peoples of the world, so this was considered a "revelation to the gentiles," that is most Christians by the fourth century. It is sometimes called Three Kings' Day, and in some traditions celebrated as Little Christmas. In some cultures this is the day for gift giving, not Christmas day. It makes sense as a reflection of the gift of the Magi to the Christ Child. One of the customs in this tradition is the chalking of the door frame with the initials of the traditional names of the three kings plus the year. This is to ensure that Christ will be "manifest" in the house during the year. Another custom for Epiphany, popular in New Orleans, is the "king cake." A cake has baked within it a little figurine of a child. Whoever find the child gets to host the next party all the way up to Mardi Gras. The feast is scheduled to be celebrated on January 6 – the twelfth day of Christmas. In my house, this was the day when Christmas decorations came down. Most often in the United States we celebrate Epiphany on the Sunday after New Year.

Epiphany may have originated in the Greek-speaking eastern half of the Roman Empire as a feast to honor the baptism of Jesus. This was the occasion when the heavenly voice made Jesus manifest as the Son of God. Over time Epiphany came to include three manifestations of the identity of Jesus: his manifestation to the gentiles with the coming of the magi, his manifestation as the Son of God at his baptism, and his manifestation of the power of God at Cana of Galilee where he performed his first miracle by changing the water into wine.

In the Catholic Church, "Christmas Time runs from First Vespers (Evening Prayer I) of the Nativity of the Lord up to and including the Sunday after Epiphany or after 6 January";[ and "Ordinary Time begins on the Monday which follows the Sunday occurring after 6 January". Because Christmas was on a Sunday this year we won't celebrate the Baptism of the Lord on the Sunday after Epiphany but move right into Ordinary time.

In the Most Holy Trinity,  
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T



Sun 01/08	<b>The Epiphany Of The Lord</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>Sunday, January 8 Debra and Shirley Barker by Phyllis Barker</i>
Mon 01/09	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Barbara Ricks by Eileen Coffey</i>
Tues 01/10	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Wed 01/11	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line) † <i>Paula Mazeski by Melodgen</i>
Thurs 01/12	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Fri 01/13	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Sun 01/15	<b>2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) <a href="https://zoom.us/j/622647147">https://zoom.us/j/622647147</a> Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957) † <i>For The People of St. James</i>



# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## FIRST READING:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

## PSALM:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

## SECOND READING:

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body. (Eph 3:5-6)

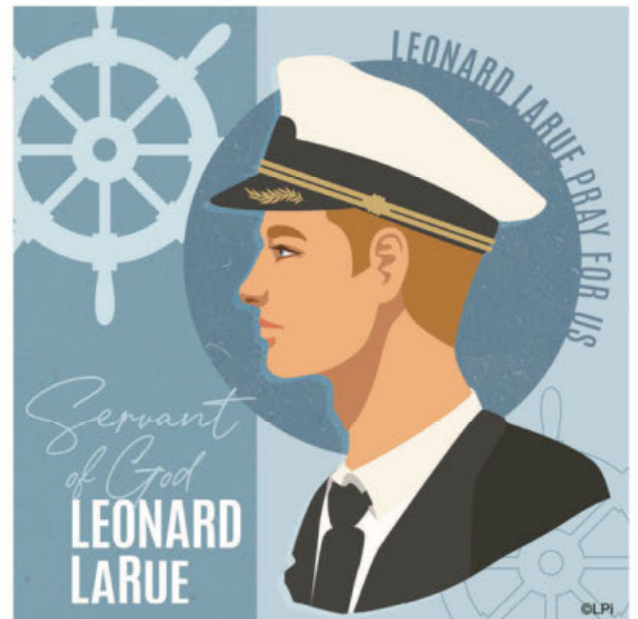
## GOSPEL:

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## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2023

- Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord  
Monday: The Baptism of the Lord  
Friday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Christmas Memorials 2022

Tucked in amidst the trees and flowers  
the manger and the straw, lie our  
fondest memories of Christmases past  
and those who loved us. We hold them  
in our hearts, enfold them in our  
dreams, and remember the grace  
they were and are in our lives.

- Jim & Eleanor Boyd  
Coffey Family  
Luis & Carmen Feliciano  
Beatrice Fojtl  
Frank Fojtl  
Iris Green  
The Latimore Family  
Betty Locas  
Kay McCarthy  
Kay Nachel  
Ellen Noble  
Kiara Stamps Pack  
Ginny Picken  
Tom Raclaw  
Babara Ricks  
Mary Sanders*





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**In Our Prayers**



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Judy Archer  
Margie Bass  
Paul Freeman  
Juanita James  
Barbara Southhall  
Dina Williams

**Our Sick:**

Victoria Allen  
Aayliah Cooper

Joe Cunningham  
Patsy Cunningham  
Marvelean Doss  
Claude Fisher  
Linda Griffin Kennard  
Nancy McCarthy  
Dot Nachel  
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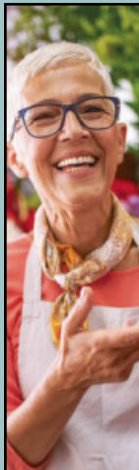
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