



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.*

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord: January 3, 2021

Parish Information: January 3, 2021

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This is the first step in planning their wedding and needs to be done one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: Celebrated second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12:30PM in St. John's Church. Contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held via Zoom at 7:00 PM in McLaughlin Hall. Schedule will be determined.

Parish Staff

Rev. Yvans Jazon	Pastor fjazon@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org
Rev. Joseph Capella	In Residence
James Rocks	Permanent Deacon (retired)
Leo Howitz	Permanent Deacon
Patricia Lipperini	Director of Faith Formation & Safe Environment
Kate Chmelko	Director of Music
Cheryl Venafr	Administrative Assistant
Stephanie Campbell	Administrative Assistant
Rosemary Fearon	Office Volunteer
MaryAnn Mercer	Office Volunteer
Anna Callaghan	Bookkeeper
Linda Roseboro-Brown	Bereavement Coordinator

Parish Office

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM—3:00PM

The office is closed from 12 to 1 each day for lunch.

Bulletin Submission Dates

Announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by Monday at 12 noon, 6 days prior to the publication of the bulletin. Holidays require earlier dates. Please call office to check.

Flyer **inserts** need to be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH
50 Emerald Ave., Westmont

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM— in sign language

ST. JOHN CHURCH
809 Park Ave., Collingswood

Sunday: 9:30 AM 11:00AM

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM

Adoration Monday-Friday 9:30—10:30AM (SJ)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS

Call the Parish Office to arrange.

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Prayer Requests

Those serving in the military:

Colin Bakey, USN, Eric Bakey, USA,
Alex Coutinho, USAF, Johnny A. Santiago, USA,
1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaledi, RN, USAF, Salena
Silvaria, NAC/AW, Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp

Dear Lord, we ask you to turn their weakness into strength, suffering into compassion, sorrow into joy, and pain into comfort for all those listed here. Let them be filled with patience and joy in your presence as they wait for your healing touch. As you heal and renew your servants, Lord, may they be blessed and praise you. This we ask especially for our parishioners and our friends.

Those who are sick: Nancy Barone, Helen Berger, James Beierschmitt, Esther Benson, Jacob Bocchicchio, Ashley Boland, Bernadette Burke, Barbara Carrozza, Theresa Charlton, Anthony Corrado, Baby Declan Costello, Dean Dickel, Annette Dickel, Rudolph DiGiovanni, Anne Flamer, Victoria Gilbert, Patricia Grady, Larry Haigh, Jamie Hankins, Cherie Hansen, Violet Harden, Bill Hower, Rosario, Huarijara, Teresa Jermyn, Chet Kasprzak, Rachel Kellmaier, Wally Kimovich, William Kinee, June Kuntz, Nina Lopes, Nicholas Matyas, Mari Alice McVey, Terry Meloche, Eleanor Migaledi, B. J. Miller, Colin Murray, Carolyn Ishan, Terry Payne, Elise Principato, Frank Tiefenthaler, Michael Travis, Lyibov Ukhanska, Barbara Vollrath, Marie Wann, Wear Family, Myra Worrell

**Please pray for our Stephen Ministers
and those to whom they minister.**



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 2

4:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Sunday, January 3

8:00 Wallace and Joseph Families r/b the Family

9:30 Mary Van Note r/b her Husband & Family

11:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Monday, January 4

9:00 Jerry Sheehan r/b Bill McLaughlin

Adoration 9:30—10:30

Tuesday, January 5

9:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Adoration 9:30—10:30

Wednesday, January 6

9:00 Joseph Fearon r/b his daughters

Adoration 9:30—10:30

Thursday, January 7

9:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Adoration 9:30—10:30

Friday, January 8

9:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Adoration 9:30—10:30

Saturday, January 9

4:00 Lori Habina r/b the Sacarff Family

Intentions of Anthony Desir r/b Fr. Yvans

Sunday, January 10

8:00 Jerome Sheehan r/b the Thomas Family

Fran Maier r/b Joan Bruno

9:30 Deceased members of the Strasser Family r/b the Strasser Family



Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle will be burned this week in memory of:

St. John: Mary Van Note r/b her Husband and Family

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord: January 3, 2021

I hope your New Year started well and blessed. Today we celebrate the Sunday of Epiphany, which is the feast of the manifestation of the Lord to all nations. We saw his star and have come to do the king homage. The only words we hear on the lips of the Magi are, “Where is the infant king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to do him homage.”

The Feast of Epiphany reminds us that Jesus is the Star of the World. Every year we are blessed to celebrate this feast as we are called to follow the Star of Salvation. The Three Kings: Gaspar, Balthasar, and Melchior and the symbolism of the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh was a gesture offering the best of what they had to pay respect to the divine majesty of the King.

In the Book of Exodus 30:37, frankincense was offered only to God in the temple, as gold was offered to the kings, and myrrh is an Oriental remedy for intestinal worms in infants and was used by the High Priest as an anointing oil (Ex.30:23) and to prepare bodies for burial. These gifts were expensive and also portable for the long journey they had to take.

The Magi were not regular people, but were Persian Priests, Babylonian astronomers, or Nabataeans whose culture was identified by their characteristic finely potted painted ceramics. They were known as citizens of high class in the society. They were also of a different race and culture which enhances their encounter with Baby Jesus. They were following a star which was believed to be a sign from God, announcing important events.

The Magi had a mission from King Herod to go and see. Obedient and faithful to their mission, they set on a journey following the Star that was their guide. If we use today's language, we could have said the Star was their GPS (global positioning system) to reach their destination. They were determined and eager to go and see the baby. The Magi were ordered to go, but perhaps their hearts were open to whatever they might face as a result. With open hearts to receive the divine blessing of the infant Jesus, they shared their love and their respect as they allowed themselves to be transformed by the special encounter with Him. They were led not only by their curiosity, but by their faith in God. As a result of their transformation they did not go back the same way, setting the example that when someone has a special encounter with Jesus, that person does not go back to his or her old way.

As we celebrate the feast of the manifestation of the Lord today, let us continue to be open to take a journey with him until we have a special encounter with him which will transform us. Let us continue to pray and offer to the Lord what is important, especially our heart, so that our faith in him can increase.



My sincere wishes for a Happy New Year to all of you!

Fr. Yuans Jazon, Pastor

Stewardship Information



*Participate in Electronic Giving.
It's Simple ... Safe ... Convenient.*

- Log onto www.parishgiving.org.
- Click "SIGN UP NOW: follow the prompts.

Weekly Collection: Dec. 20 \$7264.00

Electronic Givers: November— \$19,112/ 139 givers

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish during these difficult times! May God bless you and those you love!

JANUARY 3 Epiphany of the Lord Stewardship Gifts

"..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - MATTHEW 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, as **Stewards**, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

Catholic Strong Update

Parish Goal: \$1,226,835
Pledged to Date: \$720,195



Thank you to all who are praying for the success of this campaign and to those who have responded so generously.

Fr. Yvans Jazon, Pastor

Diocesan Catholic Strong Update

Raised: \$40,600,000
Collected: \$22,795,264

Payments made by 11/30/20 will be part of December's distribution to parishes.

Tax Contribution Statement

I would like a report of 2020 contributions to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish.

This year's tax contribution statement can be picked up at the Parish Office or mailed to you, if requested.

Please allow 10 days for this to be completed.

Name _____

Address _____

Town & Zip _____

Phone _____

_____ I will pick it up in the dropbox outside the parish office.

_____ Please mail.

Information about the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

There will be tax deductions for those who do itemize deductions (**\$300 cap**) on their tax returns and for those who do not itemize deductions (**60% cap**).

This deduction may only be for this year. People should take advantage of this deduction for charitable contributions.

For more information, please visit the site:
<https://www.cnbc.com/2020/11/23/cares-act-added-a-300-charitable-deduction-heres-how-it-works.html>

Parish Ministries



Missionary Disciples Ministry

Fellow Parishioners,

In these challenging times the Missionary Disciple Ministry is creating a program for personal and spiritual development. This will be an opportunity for outreach; it will enable fellow parishioners to connect, to pray, to learn and to share.

We envision small groups of parishioners initially connecting via Zoom to discuss scripture, to pray, and to share their faith to the extent that they are comfortable. Having this opportunity to interact with others in our community in these uncertain times will help us to learn more about our relationship with God.

If you are interested please contact us with your information via email at petedunn@financialguide.com or call us directly (Fran Boyer 856-816-2294/ Pete Dunn 856-397-1139). We look forward to hearing from you.

Stay safe,
The Missionary Disciple Ministry

January 9-10			
Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Sacristan
4:00	Loumeau	Deacon Leo Preach	Moran
8:00	Blake	Deacon Rocks Preach	Fearon
9:30	Wiener	Deacon Leo-Preach	Mercer
11:00	Hensler	Franciosa	Roseboro-Brown

Save the Date!

The next Financial Peace University class will be held on Thursday nights, beginning January 19. Details to follow.

What others have said who attended the class in March:

- We had excellent FPU classes. The coordinator was great! Always available to answer and address our questions."
- "Favorite part was the accountability and sharing our successes."
- Really great discussions around the difficult topic of money."



A Christmas Thank You

For the gifts and food contributed to families in need;

To those who participated in liturgical ministries;

For those who shared in setting up the manger scene, the trees, the lights, the flowers and all the other decorations;

For those who donated food to the Food Pantry, including food donated from various school and community food drives.

***Your giving is a work of love and
an act of praise to God.***



Thank you from Don Bowker

I wish to thank Saint Teresa's Men's Club and the other volunteers for their gracious efforts on Saturday, December 12. Because of their hard work, we were able to completely empty the basement of McDaid Hall. Not only was this a fire hazard, but it was also a dangerous path for firemen to work in the event of a fire.

The continued support provided by the Men's Club and other volunteers is the base of a spirited parish.

Thank you, again!
Don Bowker

Parish Spiritual Ministries



Intercessory Prayer Ministry

This is a group of people who devote specific time to pray for the needs of others in the parish. As part of the Intercessory Prayer group, each of our parish ministries will be assigned a week and create an intention for a specific need of our parish.

Parish Prayer Intention for the Week of January 3-9

January 3-9: Heavenly Father, you are the light of the world guiding our steps on your path. Thank you for the gift of the Church, a community of your children that you have gathered together as a Parish Family to worship, serve, pray, and love. Lord, as we celebrate the birth of your Son, Jesus, continue to guide, bless and give us peace.

Parish Staff/Marriage Prep

*Let my prayer be incense *-before you;
my uplifted hands-* an evening Offering.(Psalm 141:2)*



**Monday—Friday
9:30—10:30
St. John Church**

Prayer Service for National Unity

Where: St. John Church
Date: Monday, January 11
Time: 7 PM

*Let us join together to pray for unity and
reconciliation within our community and
our nation.*



*Happy, blessed, and
healthy New Year from
Father Yvans and the
Parish Staff!*



Giving Tree Thank You

Thank you to all who donated gifts for this year's Giving Tree. Despite Covid and reduced mass attendance, the response was overwhelming! Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will go a long way toward making Christmas a joyful time for many families, as well as supporting First Way for the coming year.

Blessings to you all!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

One of the primary missions of our St. Vincent DePaul Society is to assist people in times of emergency. We respond to calls for help on our parish number [856-858-1444](tel:856-858-1444). Often people are reluctant to ask for help, but should you know of anyone in our community in need of urgent assistance, please refer them to our number and let them know we are there to help.



**FOOD PANTRY
HOURS:
Mon. & Wed.: 10AM
to 12 PM**

Staples put into each bag:

Breakfast:

Oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, condensed milk, cereal boxes

Lunch:

PB and jelly, tuna, mac & cheese, spam, chunky/regular soups

Dinner:

Pasta sauce, pasta, vegetables & beef stew, instant rice/potatoes, canned fruit

Gift cards from food stores, especially Aldi, are also appreciated.

Thank you so much for your continued support!



Sandwich Making

Make at home and drop off only until further notice. Please bring your already made sandwiches to Good Shepherd cafeteria on **Monday, January 18 at 7PM**. Someone will be there to accept your donation.

PLEASE MAKE ONLY TURKEY & BEEF BOLONGA SANDWICHES.

Please put cheese on all sandwiches.

Cases of water as well as apples and oranges are being requested.

November: 480 sandwiches were made, 7 cases/water, 14 bags/fruit

Discussion Meeting.: 3rd Tuesday, January 19 at 7PM promptly via ZOOM. Thank you for helping the needy.



Dinners to Doorsteps

We provide meals for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for individuals and families who are struggling to put food on the table. If you need help, please call Michelle. Everything is strictly confidential.

More Info.: Contact Michele Santiago at : 609-598-1787 or by email at grandmarose73@yahoo.com.

- **Additional volunteers are needed for cooking and delivery.**

Diocesan and Community Information

Bereavement -- Support Ministry Training

Dates: Mondays, February 2—March 8

Time: 7 PM to 9 PM on-line

Registration: Forms are available in the Parish Office

Deadline to Register: Friday, January 22

Retrovaille: Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage

Dates: February 12-14, 2021

Place: Family Life Center in Malvern, PA

More Info.: Call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org

All inquiries are confidential.

Embracing Race: The Conversation

Date/Time: January 14 at 7PM via Zoom

Please join us for conversations about racism, white privilege, and much more. For more information and to receive the Zoom link, contact Mary Anne—madegenhart@verizon.net or at 856-986-9556.

Our new discussion book is Eric Michael Dyson's new book *Long Time Coming, Reckoning with Race in America*.

Knights of Columbus Raffle Results

1st Prize: Mark Kiernan \$421.25

2nd Prize: Bob Maronski \$252.75

3rd Prize: Dave Miller \$168.50

Total profits: \$842.50 for assembly operations

Thank you to all for your support!

LIFE-LONG FAITH FORMATION

Growing in Faith At Every Age

*I want a laity, ... who know their religion, who enter into it, who know just where they stand, who know what they hold and what they do not, who know their creed so well that they can give an account of it, who know so much of history that they can defend it. I want an intelligent, well-instructed laity — I wish you to enlarge your knowledge, to cultivate your reason, to get an insight into the relation of truth to truth, to learn to view things as they are, to understand how faith and reason stand to each other, what are the bases and principles of Catholicism...***Cardinal John Henry Newman**

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of welcoming people who want to be full members of the Catholic faith community. This includes those who have never been baptized, those baptized in other Christian denominations, and baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. RCIA is not a “class” but rather a journey of faith. In the company of a group of faith-filled parishioners who serve as the RCIA team and with other people inquiring about the Church, and through experiences of prayer, faith-sharing, instruction, and discussion, you will have the opportunity to grow in your relationship with God as you discover how your faith could be nurtured with the Catholic tradition. If you would like to learn more about RCIA please call Father Yvans.

PARENT SACRAMENTAL PREP

**Parents of 2nd graders
and older children needing**

First Reconciliation and First Communion:
Zoom Meetings on January 19 and 20. 7:30PM.

Please note: If you are a parishioner of St. Teresa and your child attends a Catholic school in the area, you are asked to attend these meetings and participate in our parish’s sacramental prep. Sacraments are always celebrated in one’s parish, not one’s school.

Please call the parish office if you need to be put on our email list for Zoom invitations.

HOME SCHOOL FAMILY GATHERING SUNDAY JANUARY 3

Watch for your zoom invitation.

Faith Formation Schedule Reminder

We will not gather for in person classes during the first two weeks of January. Your catechist will contact you regarding assignments.

Reflection on the Epiphany by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson:

From boyhood I have always loved the Epiphany story, perhaps because the magi manage to bring a touch of the exotic and color to the nearly monochrome stable scene of the first Christmas. More than that, their very arrival after a presumably long dangerous journey has always underscored the attractive power and authentic divinity of the baby Jesus. Also, the stark contrast the gift bearers make with the humble homespun couple and their newborn has always struck me with how God acts in ways that challenge our expectations.

Of course, we should not be surprised how often God does this, thoroughly upsetting our ideas about “how things ought to be.” When our notions clash with His, urging us to ask for Him to change His decision, He simply refers to His prior admission that “My ways are not yours” and the added codicil “Learn from Me.” We could ask “Shouldn’t the wise men have pooled their resources to set up this young couple and their child in the best room at the inn?” Not a proper question albeit a natural one. We have to accept God the Father’s “No” to that. To that we add the vexing question for the Jews at that time: “Why does Yahweh allow these gentiles to receive a warm welcome from God when we are His chosen people?” A hard pill for them to swallow as they heard this story.

Inevitably we come to think about our personal failure in at least one aspect of our lives. One would think that after all this time, all these centuries since the Bethlehem event, and the clear teaching of the grown up Nazarene, we would still be guilty of racial prejudice. And what about this awful habit of practically naming ourselves “God’s selected ones” all the time forgetting the petty betrayal of Him involved in our every sin? One could analyze that each sin of ours is like a spike of rough straw chafing an infant’s skin. Or more heinous, like a thorn crowning a condemned God-Man’s sacred head.

We have our work cut out for us, as in our imaginations we rise up from our knees behind the wise men when they stand up. We know they won’t be going back to Herod with any report. Nor will they take the same route home. Nobody who has seen Christ goes away the same. They will have learned without any words from the Holy Infant what it takes to be truly wise. All of this is what makes the Epiphany celebration wonderful. Our Eastern rite brothers and sisters celebrate this day more than Christmas. It is the day our God revealed Himself as Someone available to everybody and not to just one race.



Saturday Masses

Fr. Thomas Rozman – Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mechanicsburg, Diocese of Harrisburg, PA
ASL Vigil Mass 4:00pm EST at stjosephmech.org

Fr. Matthew Hysell OP – Ministerial Priest for the Archdiocese of Edmonton & Doctoral Candidate for Sacred Theology at Dominican University College in Ottawa, Canada
ASL Vigil Mass 7:30pm EST at face-book.com/icdacanadiansection

Sunday Masses

(Masses are organized by time zones)

Fr. Shawn Carey – Director of the Boston Deaf Apostolate, Archdiocese of Boston, MA
ASL Mass 11:00am EST at youtube.com/user/DeafApostolateBoston (recordings at bostondeafcatholic.org)

Fr. Mike Depcik – Director of Catholic Deaf Community, St John's Deaf Center, Archdiocese of Detroit, MI
ASL Mass 11:30am EST at facebook.com/deafmass

Monsignor Glenn Nelson J.C.L. – Director of Deaf Apostolate & Vicar General, Diocese of Rockford, IL
ASL Mass 10:00am CST at facebook.com/RockfordDeafApostolate

Fr. Michael Hermes – St. Paul Catholic Church, Olathe, KS
ASL Interpreter 10:00 am CST at <https://www.spcatholic.org/>



Sunday Masses Continued

Fr. Dave Korth – Sacred Heart Church, Diocese of Omaha, NE
ASL Interpreter 10:30 am CST at sacredheartchurchomaha.org or YouTube.com/SacredHeartChurchOmaha



Bishop Michael Olson – St. Patrick's Cathedral, Diocese of Fort Worth, TX
ASL Interpreter 11:00am CST at fwdioc.org

Fr. Tom Coyle – Director of Colorado Catholic Deaf Ministry, Lakewood, CO
ASL & English 10:00 am MST at stbernadettelakewood.org or St Bernadette Parish Lakewood CO Face-Book Page or St. Bernadette Parish Lakewood CO YouTube Channel

Very Reverend Patrick Schafer OFM
Holy Family Church, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, NM
ASL & English 8:00am MST /
ASL & Spanish 10:00am MST at Holy Family Church Albuquerque FaceBook Page or Holy Family Church Albuquerque YouTubeChannel

Fr. Tom Schweitzer with Deacon Tomas Garcia
Holy Angels Catholic Church of the Deaf, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CA
ASL & English 8:30 am PST / ASL & Spanish 11:30 am PST at youtube.com/user/hacofthedeaf/live

*For more information and updated schedules, please contact Fr. Bradley.
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856-583-6111*



Call to Worship

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord—January 3, 2021

ENTRANCE HYMN

JOY TO THE WORLD ANTIOCH

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our
3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
3. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -

1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
2. plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
3. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his

1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
3. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: CM with repeats; based on Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: T. Hawkes' *Collection of Tunes*, 1833; George Frideric Handel, 1685–1759.



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING: [Isaiah 60: 1-6](#)

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 72: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, ALL YEARS



℣. Lord, ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you.

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SECOND READING: [Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6](#)

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. 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, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

We saw his star at its rising
And have come to do him homage.



GOSPEL: Matthew 2: 1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:



*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven.

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.



I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



COMMUNION HYMN:

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WE THREE KINGS KINGS OF ORIENT

Verses

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: In - cense owns a
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and God and

1. tra - verse a - far Field and foun - tain, Moor and moun - tain,
 2. crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing nev - er
 3. De - i - ty nigh; Prayer and prais - ing Glad - ly rais - ing,
 4. gath - er - ing gloom; Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing, dy - ing,
 5. Sac - ri - fice; "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!"

Refrain

1. Fol - low - ing yon - der star. O star of won - der,
 2. O - ver us all to reign.
 3. Wor - ship him, God on high.
 4. Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 5. Sounds through the earth and skies.

star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright; West - ward
 lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.

Text: 88 44 6 with refrain; based on Matthew 2:1-11.
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