

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



### Please Pray For All The Sick

Barbara Correa, Annie Hurley, Gregory Kelly, Fred Weber, Miyanna Figueroa, Brian Cabral, Mariana Weglinski, and Aissa Aro.

And we pray for those whose death anniversaries occur about this time that they may live in glory forever with God and all the Saints.



### Making Christ Manifest to all the World

This Sunday we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word epiphany comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means "to manifest" or "to make known." This is what God did in the Incarnation. He made Himself known to humanity. One principle event is the visit of the foreign Magi, representing all the nations coming to know Christ.

Even 2000 years later, Christ still desires to make Himself known to the ends of the earth and we as stewards have the great privilege of helping in this important mission. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship says that "God wishes human beings to be his collaborators in the work of creation, redemption, and sanctification; and such collaboration involves stewardship in its most profound sense." The USCCB also says that the 'practice of authentic Christian stewardship inevitably leads to evangelization.'

Therefore, to be true and authentic stewards means that we cannot keep the gift of the Gospel for ourselves, but we must go out into the world and proclaim it to others. How often do we realize our important role in evangelization? Let us strive to use our time and talents well by sharing the faith with those around us, with our family members, our co-workers and our neighbours. Perhaps one tangible act we can do this week is invite someone we know who has fallen away from their faith to join us for Mass next Sunday. In doing this, we will take seriously the dismissal at the end of Mass to "go and announce the Gospel of the Lord."



### Masses For The Week

8:30 am

Monday, January 8

*For the repose of the soul of Mary & Telesfore Antao;*

*Requested by the Pires Family*

**Special Intentions and Healing for Rolanda;**

*Requested by the Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Adriana Dias;**

*Requested by Felix, Lucy, Richard, Charlene & Family*

8:30 am

Tuesday, January 9

*For the repose of the soul of Catherine Anne Pagan;*

*Requested by Maureen Dunn*

**For the repose of the soul of Bogoslawa Cop;**

*Requested by the Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Bonus;**

*Requested by Athena & Wevino*

8:30 am

Wednesday, January 10

*For the repose of the souls of Barbara Kwasek, Josef Piecarczyk & Wiesia Wisniewska;*

*Requested by the Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Danuta Duzyk;**

*Requested by the Lecki Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Rolando Baliat;**

*Requested by Zenaida Malillin*

8:30 am

Thursday, January 11

*For the repose of the soul of Carol Anne Higgs;*

*Requested by the Munoz Family*

**Special Intentions and Healing for Angelo Immanuel;**

*Requested by Galen Bowen*

**For the repose of the soul of Rita Yuquimpo;**

*Requested by Linda*

8:30 am

Friday, January 12

*For the repose of the soul of Philip Ferrao;*

*Requested by the Ferrao Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Ana Maria Costa;**

*Requested by the Costa Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Arcadio & Peofita Fernandez;**

*Requested by the Fernandez Family*

9:00 am

Saturday, January 13

*For the repose of the souls of Maria Consuelo Gingoyon & Guia Tipones;*

*Requested by the Notario Family*

**Special Intentions & Healing for John Marco;**

*Requested by the Family*

**For the repose of the soul of Colleen Joseph;**

*Requested by Carmen Mendez*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

5:00 pm

For the repose of the souls of Vivienne & Joseph Portelli;

Requested by George & Pauline Grasso

For the repose of the soul of Frieda Brannen;

Requested by Janet Ralph

For the repose of the soul of Vittoria Bruzzese;

Requested by Ivo & Rosa Villa

8:00 am

Sunday, January 14

For the repose of the souls of Manuel Caesar Paiva & Noemia Brum;

Requested by the Paiva Family

For the repose of the soul of Robert Lopez;

Requested by the Lopez Family

For the repose of the soul of Celina Barreto.;

Requested by Winnie Moniz

10:00 am

For the Intentions of the Parishioners.

12:00 pm - Multiple Intentions

- + Juliet & Ignatius Sequeira
- + Steven Sadlowski, Bonislawa & Franciszek Wazny
- + Simplicio, Eujemniana & Rafael Carbajal
- + Trifon Fernandez



The Filipino Community invites you to

**Fiesta Santo Niño Mass**

on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm

For more details contact Cecilia Hortillo

**JOIN US!!!**

The Prayer Group invites you to join them for **Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction** on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

Praise and worship begins at 7:30pm followed by

Exposition / Benediction.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**2024 Donation Envelope Boxes**

As the year quickly comes to an end, we would like to Thank everyone who has picked up their 2024 donation envelope box. There is still quite a number of boxes which haven't been picked up yet. Please do so as soon as you possibly can or if you are not interested in having your donation box we would like to hear from you with direction, so that we can remove them from your family profile. As usual practice we recommend the recording of your name, address and phone number on the first three-four envelopes of your new box to make certain we have the correct information in our data base.

2024 Religious Calendars and St. Joseph's Missals are still available in the Parish Office if you are interested in purchasing them.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday, January 8**

2:30 - 8:30pm

Parish Directory Photos- Appointment Only

7:00 pm

Knights of Columbus General Meeting-Carmel Hall

BEGINNERS LINE DANCE CANCELLED

**Tuesday, January 9**

7:30 pm

RCIA – Carmel Hall

**Wednesday, January 10**

2:30 - 8:30pm

Parish Directory Photos- Appointment Only

7:30pm

Prayer Group Adoration and Benediction-Church

**Thursday, January 11**

10:00am

CWL Executive Meeting – Carmel Hall

2:30 - 8:30pm

Parish Directory Photos- Appointment Only

7:30 pm

Choir Practice - Church

**Friday, January 12**

2:30 - 8:30pm

Parish Directory Photos- Appointment Only

6:00 pm

God's Family Choir Practice – Church

7:15 pm

Advanced Line Dancing– Carmel Hall

**Coffee Sunday on January 14**

Drop by for refreshments and conversation after 8:00a, 10:00a and 12:00p Masses on Sunday, January 14.

Hosted by the RCIA Team. All are welcome!

**First Holy Communion - Rite of Enrolment**

A reminder to parents of our First Communicants who will be receiving their First Holy Communion in 2024.

Please follow the school schedule and attend ONE of the Masses with your child to receive the Rite of Enrolment for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

St. Gerard, St. John XXIII and St. Jerome Schools

Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm

Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am, 10:00am or 12:00pm

St. Bernadette, St. David of Wales and Private & Public Schools

Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:00pm

Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am, 10:00am or 12:00pm

Please bring the completed Rite of Enrolment Form with you to hand in at Mass. If you have misplaced your form, please contact the Parish Office for another one. Without this form we can't confirm that your child has attended the ceremony.

**Catholic Women's League**

Thank you to the generosity of the Catholic Women's League who has donated of \$6, 000 to our parish.

**Line Dancing**

Thank you to the Line Dancing Groups of our parish who have donated to our building maintenance fund for 2023.

Beginners group raised \$582.00 and Advanced group raised \$500.00

Thank you to all members who participated.

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