

JANUARY 3 - SATURDAY

1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Jn 1:29-34

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* – Fr. Jim – Fr. Joe Robinson

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**JANUARY 4 – EPIPHANY**

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

*Sunday Readings:*9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Louis – John Sheblessy12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Louis**JANUARY 5 – MONDAY**

1 Jn 3:22 – 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

JANUARY 6 – TUESDAY

1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44

JANUARY 7 – WEDNESDAY

1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52

JANUARY 8 – THURSDAY

1 Jn 4:19 – 5:4; Lk 4:14-22

7:00 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**JANUARY 9 - FRIDAY**

1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy - Bob**JANUARY 10 - SATURDAY**

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JANUARY 11 – BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

*Sunday Readings:*9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Louis12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Louis**English Mass Ministry Schedule: January 10-11**

Due to the holiday bulletin print deadline, the ministry schedule was not available for publication. Please see the schedule you received via e-mail or check in before Mass to see if you are needed. Thank you.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Due to the holiday office closures, and bulletin print schedules the financials are not available. They will appear in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. ***Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.*** To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563.

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 19 winners: Robert Boliske, Sue Mueller and Rolf Obrecht. Each won \$25.

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Viola Gilkey (03), Connie Nuxoll (04), William Hennies (04), Beth Renick (05), Nicholas Veerkamp (05), Russell Strotman (07), Dustin Prior (07), Andrea Lalley (07), Thomas Wegman (07), Gail Kelly (08), Robert Paquette (08), Phyllis Williamson (08), Doug Mercer (09).

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FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION:

Few scenes in Scripture capture the imagination quite like the journey of the magi. Their story is radiant and mysterious, filled with movement, longing, and profound hope. From childhood, we have pictured these travelers crossing deserts, watching the night sky, and trusting a single star to guide them to a newborn King. But what does this ancient journey have to do with our own lives today?

Matthew tells us that the magi were from the East, men of learning and curiosity. They noticed a light unlike any other and allowed it to interrupt their routines, their assumptions, and their comfort. Something within them whispered: Follow it. Do we ever feel that same whisper? Are there moments when God places a gentle light on the horizon of our hearts, an insight or a prompting or a new direction, and invites us to move?

The magi traveled hundreds of miles with no map, no guarantee, and no clarity except the glow above them. Why did they go? They believed that at the end of their journey they would encounter the One who is the way, the truth, and the life. Saint John Paul II once reflected that the magi represent all peoples of the earth who are searching for the fullness of salvation, searching for Christ even before they fully understand Him. In that sense, they walk on our behalf. They ask our questions. They reveal our longing. They show us the courage it takes to move toward God even when the path is uncertain.

When they finally enter the humble home in Bethlehem, they do not hesitate. They fall to their knees. They worship. They offer their gifts of gold for a king, frankincense for a priest, and myrrh for one whose mission will pass through suffering and death for our salvation. These gifts were not random. They were proclamations. What gifts do we bring to the Lord? Are they gifts of time, compassion, forgiveness, or faithful perseverance? Do we offer Him only what is convenient, or do we give Him what truly reflects our love?

Epiphany means manifestation, the revealing of God made flesh in our midst. It is both a moment in history and a daily invitation. The same light that hovered over Bethlehem still shines in our world and in our lives, although sometimes we have to look more carefully to see it. What star is God asking you to follow today? Where is He calling you to travel? Perhaps toward reconciliation or deeper prayer or renewed faith or acts of charity that stretch us in ways we did not expect.

Just as the magi returned home by another way, an encounter with Christ changes our direction. It reorients our priorities. It clears our vision. It reminds us that our true fulfillment is found not in the destinations we choose for ourselves but in the One who walks with us.

A blessed Epiphany to all. May the light of Christ guide your path and fill your heart with wonder.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY: First of all, thank you for your generosity this past year. Your commitment to our pantry is much appreciated, and your willingness to participate in our monthly requests makes it much easier to maintain the pantry when helping our neighbors in Northside. Our request for the month of January is for cereal. You can place your gifts in the baskets in church or drop them off at the parish office. Thank you!

MINISTRY TO SURVIVORS OF ABUSE (REPORTING)
The Archdiocese of Cincinnati regards child abuse in all its forms as gravely sinful and criminal. Anyone who knows of or suspects child abuse by a legitimate member of the clergy or hierarchy, employee, or volunteer of the archdiocese should first report the abuse to the appropriate secular legal authority and then to Ms. Teresa Maley, Coordinator of Ministry to Survivors of Abuse of the Archdiocese, at 513-263-6623 or 1-800-686-2724 ext. 6623.

Happy New Year!!!