

Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2017



They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
-- Matthew 2:11b

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading – Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm – Psalm 72

Second Reading – Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel – Matthew 2:1-12



Helen Machost, Missy Goodman, Teresa Preuss, Matthew Develle, Evelyn Durst, Corey Granier, Julie Harkins, Louis Ray Martin, Robert Perlick, Bill Rush, Diana Sanders, Hazel Sanders, Tom/Brenda Steen, Jeanette Therman, James Wink 1/8; Janna/Billy Avalon, Tommy/Traci Avalon, John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, Theresa Cannon, Monique Claxton, Cathy/Mike/Michael Eaves, Joanne/Chuck Jackson, Grace Jeadron, Antonio Jones, Jourdan Layola, Lorraine Lorio, Frank Machost, Linda May, Sylvia McGowan, Clara McWilliams, Ursin Oubre, Jr., Jonathan Warren, Brenda Williams, Sonny/Veronica Womack 12/25; Linda Fitzgerald, 12/18; Helen Butts, Sam Greco 12/11; **Homebound/Nursing Homes:** Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Ernestine Lindsay, Margaret Major, Anna Starr, Sue Trebotich; **Priests/Religious:** Brian Carroll, Xavier Colavechio, Tom Delaney, Robert Oliver, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. **Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will stay on for one month.**



THOSE IN THE MILITARY Prayers for Safety for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks, Michael P Collins, Nathan Darnell, Lee Greco, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Joe Hayes, Derek Lieding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, James (Alec) Ponder and Nathan Waltman, Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on the military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:

Budget Needed Weekly	\$6,000.00
Regular Tithe	\$6,440.30
“Take a Step”	\$90.00
Coffee & Doughnuts	\$7.00
Food Pantry	\$50.00
Youth	\$29.00
Lector book	\$14.00
Retired Religious	\$20.00
Christmas flowers	\$150.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Second Collection

January 8 – Saltillo Mission

January Month of: The Holy Name – God of Peace, the Loving God, Author of Life

WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

▶▶▶ Changes or Additions

STT – St. Theresa
CTK – Christ the King
OLOG – Our Lady of Guadalupe
MFCC – Christian Catholic Family Movement
MSJLOG – MARIAN SERVANTS® Jesus the Lamb of God

Saturday, January 7 – Vigil Epiphany of the Lord; *First Saturday*
12:00noon Adoration – chapel
3:00pm Confession
4:00pm Mass – Doris Rush; People of the Parish

Sunday, January 8 – Epiphany of the Lord
9:30am Mass – Olivia Johnson
10:45am-12:15pm Parish School of Religion, Confirmation
12:30pm Spanish Mass

Monday - Friday 7:30am Mass -- Carmelite Monastery

Monday, January 9 – *Baptism of the Lord*
6:00pm Knights of Columbus – parish hall

Tuesday, January 10 – *First Week in Ordinary Time Begins;*
Begin Year 1 of the Weekday Lectionary for Mass
5:00pm Cursillo Group – parish hall
5:30pm Mass – Norma Belenchia
6:00pm Rosary/Prayer Meeting – chapel
6:00pm MSJLOG – parish office

Wednesday, January 11
8:30am Mass – Extension Society Intention
9am – 8pm Adoration – chapel

Thursday, January 12
11:00am Little Flower Rosary Circle – parish hall
12noon Mass – Shirley Redmond
12:30pm Young at Heart – parish hall
6:00pm Finance Council – parish office

Friday, January 13 – *St. Hilary*
8:45am School Mass CTK

Saturday, January 14 – Vigil Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:00pm Confession
4:00pm Mass – Elizabeth Stubbs
6:00pm Welcome New Year Dinner Dance – parish hall

Sunday, January 15 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30am Mass – Doris Rush; People of the Parish
10:45am-12:15pm Parish School of Religion, Confirmation
12:30pm Spanish Mass



Please pray for the repose of souls:

† Shirley Redmond – parishioner

† Calvin Stubbs, Jr – Mary Stubbs grandson

† Teresa Messina Cernosek - Fr. Sam Messina's sister

May they rest in peace, and may their families find comfort and consolation in the Lord.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

TRUE HAPPINESS

Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God,
and in this way you will become truly happy.

-Blessed Henry Suso

Question of the Week

To what "strange lands" might God be inviting me to travel in this New Year to discover Christ? What gifts will I bring with me to offer there?

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Remember loved ones during this Christmas Season with an honorary or memorial of Poinsettias. **Envelopes are located in the gathering space.** Please include your name and the loved one you would like to honor or remember on the envelope. Thank you.

Month of January

Prayer Intentions of our Holy Father, Pope Francis
Christian Unity -

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:
Peace in the World!



**Advertise your business or services,
Business Card Size Ad space available for
\$25.00 in our New Parish Directory.**

Contact: Lucy Stevenson glucym@yahoo.com
or text/call: 601-238-4773

Catholic Diocese of Jackson Positions Available

The Chancery office of the Diocese of Jackson is looking for someone to assist parishes and schools with their accounting and answers questions on all accounting and payroll related areas, as well as monitor the accounting of our parishes. All parishes use ParishSoft.

Questions, please email:
cathy.pendleton@jacksondiocese.org

Please send your resume before January 24, 2017 to:
Search Committee Temporal Affairs
P.O. Box 2248
Jackson, MS 39225-2248

Blessing of Jordan water, chalk, and incense:
The traditional method for blessing homes on the Epiphany of the Lord uses incense, chalk (an incarnational image because it reminds us of the dust of the earth from which we were made), and "Jordan water." **The chalk** is used to mark

20 + C + M + B + 17 over doorways,
the numerals consecrate the New Year, **the initials** remind us of the legendary names of the magi—Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—and also stand for the Latin motto:

Christus mansionem benedicat
"May Christ Bless the House"

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN MONTHLY TRAINING EMAILS

You should have received your **Monthly** email from **VIRTUS**, this is an **ONGOING MONTHLY Protection of Children bulletin review**. Every month you will receive a bulletin notice, you must log-on to VIRTUS, read the bulletin and answer the question. Thank you for all you do in keeping our children/youth protected.

► Confirmation -

If your child is planning on receiving Confirmation in **Spring of 2018** they need to pre-register and begin **attending classes January 8, 2017**. Registration forms are found in the gathering space.

► First Communion -

Is now a 2 year process - Those preparing for First Communion now will receive their First Communion in the Spring of 2018. If your child is planning on receiving First Communion in **Spring of 2018** they need to pre-register now and begin **attending classes January 8, 2017**. Registration forms are found in the gathering space.

"Jeans, Jazz and Bruin Blues"

"Jeans, Jazz and Bruin Blues," Saint Joseph Catholic School's 24th Annual Draw Down is set for **Feb. 18, 2017, 6:30-9:30 p.m.** Sponsorship opportunities are still available and tickets are on sale now. To sponsor or purchase tickets, visit the St. Joseph Catholic School website at stjoebruins.com or call the school office at 601-898-4800. A ticket is \$130 and admits two adults; second chance insurance may be added for \$20. Each ticket includes a chance to win \$10,000 plus gourmet food, assorted desserts, an open bar and live entertainment. **NEW THIS YEAR: SPONSORSHIP LEVELS OF \$500 AND ABOVE INCLUDE A TICKET TO THE DRAW DOWN (AND A CHANCE TO WIN \$10,000) plus all the other food and festivities.** This is a great opportunity for families to be part of the excitement! All sponsors, including families, will be listed in promotional materials, such as the Bruin Buzz, Facebook, Twitter, Saint Joseph Catholic School website and various print media. All proceeds benefit the school.