

WE HAVE COME TO WORSHIP THE KING





They prostrated
themselves
and did him
homage

January 6, 2019 • The Epiphany of the Lord

Tradition, poetry, and literature have long reflected upon the story of the magi. The journey of the magi indeed resonates with journeys in our own lives. The journey is a search for a “king,” for what or who is of primary importance in life. The seekers lose direction and encounter obstacles and dangers. Searching for a king, the magi first come upon a false king, Herod. The reappearance of the star shows them the true path and leads to the true king.

For Matthew, the journey culminates in the magi’s worship of Jesus. They discover a king not clothed in grandeur, but wrapped in humility and simplicity. They begin to re-imagine what true royal power really is. Transformed by the journey, they embrace the humble king, Jesus.

INSIDERS AND OUTSIDERS

An epiphany is a manifestation, a revelation of what was hidden, and often a challenge to change. For Matthew’s community, the story of the magi challenged these new Christians, from both Jewish and Gentile origin. The insiders, those rooted in the Jewish scriptures and traditions, might be

uncomfortable with the magi, and with God working within Gentile culture to draw them toward God. The outsiders, the Gentiles, would rejoice that God calls them from within their own roots. But they knew that they too were called to their own journey of transformation.

Who are insiders and outsiders today? Some might see strangers as threats to accustomed ways of honoring and serving God. Others might believe that they themselves are too distant, concluding that they cannot be accepted in Christian community, and perhaps tune out God’s activity in their lives. Still others might think that belief in Christ serves as another dividing line between people, preventing them from seeing all persons as God’s children. The story of the Epiphany reminds us that classifying insiders and outsiders is an illusion, a falsehood arising from a separation from God. When we are united with God, we can only see others as sisters and brothers.

Today’s Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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MASS SCHEDULE:
Weekends: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.
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Holy Day Mass Schedule:
8:00 am, 7:00 p.m.

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The Epiphany of the Lord
January 6, 2019
 Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
 Your light has come,
 the glory of the Lord shines upon
 you.
 — *Isaiah 60:1*

**Mass Intentions
 For The Week**



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- JAN. 5** **SATURDAY**
 4:00 P.M. **Madelyn Mele†**
 (Cunningham, Pavlik & Kibert Families)
- JAN. 6** **SUNDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Deceased members of the Lewis Family**
 (Bill & Teresa (Lewis) Vermeulen & family)
- 10:00 A.M. **Kleinedler Family†**
 (Rich Hitt)
- JAN. 7** **MONDAY**
 8:00 P.M. **Ruth Ann Harrigan†**
 (Susan Board)
- JAN. 8** **TUESDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Souls in Purgatory**
 (Libby G. Magnone)
- JAN. 9** **WEDNESDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Edward Lawther Jr.†**
 (Tom & Cindy Lawther)
- JAN. 10** **THURSDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **R. Craig Madden†**
 (Dr. & Mrs. Luna)
- JAN. 11** **FRIDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Drew & Diane Haaser**
 (Joan Lemasters)
- JAN. 12** **SATURDAY**
 4:00 P.M. **Benjamin Rodriguez†**
 (BDHS class of '73)
- JAN. 13** **SUNDAY**
 8:00 A.M. **Arch & Granda & Scott Granda†**
 (Arch Granda)
- 10:00 A.M. **Al & Bettye Furline†**
 (The St. Francis Xavier Choir)

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

- 1/12 4:00 p.m. L. Remke/ P. Remke
 1/13 8:00 a.m. Cathy Frame/ S. Kent
 1/13 10:00 a.m. M. Helfer/ P. Whitwam

Altar Servers:

- 1/12 4:00 p.m. Kent Family
 1/13 8:00 a.m. Laberdee
 1/13 10:00 a.m. Swift/ Targosky

Gift Bearers:

- 1/12 4:00 p.m. Kay Bosworth/ Daunel Gump
 1/13 8:00 a.m. Mark Hitt
 1/13 10:00 a.m. Georgia Petit

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of January 7, 2019

Judy Mysliwicz & Kitty Pazyk

Greeters:

- 1/12 4:00 p.m. Daunel Gump
 1/13 8:00 a.m. Roger Frame
 1/13 10:00 a.m. Linda & Butch Miller

Bingo January 11, 2019

Raffle: Bob & Patty Kleinedler
 Kitchen: Daunel Gump

COLLECTION: December 23, 2018

Envelopes - \$ 3,023.00
Loose Offering - \$ 1,612.00
Electronic Giving - \$ 35.00
Building Fund - \$ 110.00
Memorial Offerings - \$ 25.00
Pennies for God - \$ 11.35
Attendance - 326

COLLECTION: Christmas 2018

Envelopes - \$6,818.00
Loose Offering - \$1,625.00
Building Fund - \$300.00
Catholic Charities - \$2,662.00
Memorial Offerings - \$75.00

Rosary weekdays after 8 am Mass

Winter Weather is upon us!
 Morning Mass will be at 10:00 a.m.
 when Marshall County Schools
 are delayed or cancelled

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS,
FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:**

Prayer Request: Gerry Mele, Joe Church, Gregory "Shad" Fromhart, Don McCormick, Maggie Yeater, Gina Hoops, Dianne Hill, Miriam Kulavik, Rodney Kerekes, Kimberly Peffley, Bobby Kleinedler, Chris Colby, Richard Timko;
Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Bob Tetrick; **Nursing Home:** Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Thelma Gitlin, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Marilyn Neidhardt, Joe & Helen Cuchta

Are you involved with, or hoping to someday be involved with, some kind of adult faith formation in your parish? The diocese is offering a new mini-course in the Northern Panhandle that explores the theory and practice of adult faith formation in parish life. The seminar will meet 4 consecutive Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30 pm beginning January 22nd. The course fee is \$20 which includes all course materials; scholarships are available if the cost is an obstacle. A full course description can be found at:

<https://vlcff.udayton.edu/calendar/course.php?course=23> (Note: this description is for the online version of the in-person course that the Diocese is offering). To sign up or get more information, contact Nick Mayrand at nmayrand@dwc.org or 304-233-0880, ext. 376.

Registration closes January 8th, at which time a central location will be selected for the 4 weekly meetings that best suits those registered.

Screening of the movie RECOVERY BOYS on THURSDAY, January 17 at 1:00 P.M. in the church basement. This documentary is set in West Virginia and deals with the current, ongoing opioid epidemic. Filmmaker Elaine McMillion-Sheldon and her team spend 18 months tracking four young white men and their struggle to recover. We are inviting some of the people involved with the making of this film to join us. The parish will provide pizza and refreshments.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Friday, January 11
Xavier Hall 11-5
Fish, Fries, Cole Slaw,
Pierogi, Macaroni & cheese, Drinks,
Homemade Desserts
Workers and baked goods needed!
Contact Greg Green 304-238-3621 or
Cork Potts 304-845-2686

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Jan. 11 - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
Jan. 16 - Parish Council meeting 6:30
Jan. 17 - Screening of "Recovery Boy"
1:00 P.M Church Basement
Jan. 23 - Monthly cooking series: Viet Nam
11A.M - 1 P.M. Church Basement
Jan 26 - World Youth Day

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week
for:

Ruth Ann Harrigan

Requested by

John Harrigan



Our Parish offers prayers and condolences to the
family of:

Nancy Termin

May she rest in peace.

In January 2019, two million young adult pilgrims will gather with Pope Francis in Panama, for **World Youth Day**. Closer to home, in Washington, DC, thousands of college students and young adults from across our country will join them in for Panama in the Capital, a one-day stateside celebration of World Youth Day on Saturday, January 26th.

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is helping to host Panama in the Capital. This one day event costs only \$20. Please contact the office if you are interested in attending.

What a memory... Thank You !!

To all of the beautiful children of our parish and their parents: we could not do our pageants without you. Also, I would like to thank Mary Taskalines, Mrs. Fischer, Karen Ali, Jack Zuckoff, Jerry Durbin, Julie Fecat, Monica Miller, Trish Whitlatch, Robin Targosky. Mallery Novel, Cathy Freeland, Amelia Francis, Carolyn Harris, Scott Harris, Shelby Harris, Whitney Regiec, and Father That Son - You all made this on of our best Christmas's ever. God Bless you all.

- Lottie Durbin



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