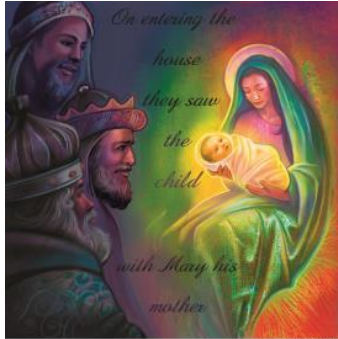


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January 8, 2023

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today's Scripture Readings

FIRST READING: Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

PSALM: All the nations will worship you, Lord (Psalm 72).

SECOND READING: The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

GOSPEL: Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: ALL SHARE IN THE PROMISE

Picture a nativity scene in your mind's eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance." The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God's mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

5:30PM	Saturday, Jan 14th	9:00 AM	Sunday, Jan 15th
Lector:	Ed Olshefsky	Lector:	Pat Wess

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (Jan 9th - Jan 15th)

MON	01/09	7:00AM.	For Priests & Bishops - (The Laity)
TUES	01/10	7:00AM. . . . +.	(B) Anna Christian - (Husband, Bob)
WED	01/11	7:00AM.	Intention Dantis
THURS	01/12		NO MASS
FRI	01/13	7:00AM. . . . +.	Jack & Esther Sloan - (Family)
SAT	01/14	5:30PM	Pro Populo
SUN	01/15	9:00AM. . . . +.	Janet Formica - (Family)

January 8, 2023

God Bless
This Home and All Who Enter



20+C+M+B+23

Stewardship Reflections:

Today we observe the great feast of The Epiphany of the Lord. The Greek word "epiphany" means manifestation or appearance. The awareness of God's manifestation in the lives of the magi filled them with gratitude and the desire to both worship God and share their gifts with others. The magi were so filled with awe when they encountered the newborn Jesus, they prostrated themselves before him and "opened their treasures and offered him gifts." Like the magi who traveled afar, our overriding priority should be to honor the long-awaited King.

A stewardship journey will involve twists and turns. But God will protect and guide us, and with cooperation with His plan, He can accomplish great things through us. Christian stewards live in grateful response to God's countless appearances in their lives. They generously share their material gifts as a loving act of worship to an extravagantly loving God. Let us rejoice in God's presence in our lives and be watchful for the new ways He is calling us to share ourselves and our gifts in gratitude to our King. Let us make God our first priority.

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**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
Dec 31st & Jan 1st, 2023**

Collection:

Weekly	\$ 1,216.00
Monthly	\$ 60.00
1st Offer	\$ 115.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 310.00
Christmas	\$ 204.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
Pro-Life	\$ 15.00

*Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish!
Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners
and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!*



Sincere Condolences – The St. Anne's Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Richard Poplinsky**, who was called to his eternal reward this past week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Richard** and peace and consolation to his family.

Christian Mothers Meeting – will be held today, Sunday, **Jan 8th**. Please plan to attend. All are welcome.

2023 Envelopes & Calendars Adult & Children's envelopes and calendars are ready for pick up in the back of church. If you have a relative or neighbor who are unable to attend, please drop their envelopes & a calendar off for them. They will be happy to see you! **We are asking during the month of January to write your name on your collection envelope to assist in posting. Thank you**

Bless Your Home -- Gather at the threshold of your home (inside or outside). Say a prayer noting the sacredness of your home and asking a blessing on all who enter and leave through this door. Using white chalk, write **20+C+M+B+23** above the door. These letters stand for the first letters of the names of the three kings, Balthasar, Gaspar, and Melchior. In Latin, these letters are also the first letters of the words **"Christus mansionem benedicat"**
God Bless This House

Community News & Events

PUBLIC ROSARY To Pray for The Unborn on

Thursday, January 12th @6:00 PM
ST. CLEMENT CHURCH, Inside Church

Saturday, January 14th NOON
ST. JOHN GUALBERT CATHEDRAL,
St. Ann Shrine

CASH BASH – Save the Date for FEBRUARY 11th at St. Francis Activity Center! Tickets are \$25 and includes food and non-alcoholic beverages. \$200 given away every half hour, \$500 at 7:30 and 9:00. We will also have qualifiers, 50/50, baskets, door prizes and much more! For tickets, please contact Fran King at (814)536-3667.

Prayer at the Manger:

With the Magi

*Let your light shine on us, O God,
as the star showed the way
to those who searched for Christ.*

*Fill us with wisdom;
help us walk in your ways,
now and forever. Amen.*

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Families and the Gospel – (Matthew 2: 1-12)

The Epiphany of the Lord

Today's gospel tells us "All Jerusalem" was upset because "King Herod was deeply troubled." A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's negative attitude can affect the whole family. If you want a peaceful and joyful home, it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful!