

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 8, 2017

The Star of Bethlehem

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
Monday: The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins
Friday: St. Hilary
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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Flu Precautions

During the cold and flu season we ask that you refrain from holding/shaking hands and taking from the cup if you are feeling poorly.



Women's Club

The Women's Club will share a salad luncheon and plan for the year ahead on Tues., Jan. 10th, 11:30 am in the hall. Please use the sign-up sheet at the church entrance if you plan to attend. This is a great way to meet friends, new and old, for the new year. Everyone is welcome to join in.



Please pray for: Tommye Brennan, Roy Hammond, Alice Blankenship, Kelly Martinez, Joshua Martinez, John Pollock, Abel Martinez, Rita Brooks, Randy Brown, Irene Hammond, Todd Kasulka, Jerry Collins, Althea Soto.

Schedule a Mass Intention

It is a long-standing tradition in our Church to have a Mass celebrated for the repose of the souls or intentions of our loved ones. Masses can be offered for many occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, healing, thanksgiving, etc. Please stop by the parish office to schedule Masses.

Mass Intentions for the Week

(Jan. 7-13)

Sat., 5:00 pm- +Christine Rodriguez
Int. Manders Family
Sun., 9:00 am- Int. Jeff Lachance
Int. Althea Soto
+Ramona Mooney
Sun., 6:00 pm- People of the Parish
Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
Wed., 9:00 am- Int. Betty Swierk
Thurs., 9:00 am- Int. Dr. Robert Angel
Int. Dr. Thomas Meek
Fri., 9:00 am- Sick of the Parish

Christmas Decorations and Ordinary Time

This coming Monday at 9:15 am you are invited to help remove the Christmas décor and prepare the church for Ordinary time. Thank You!

Men's Club

The Men's Club will meet for their first meeting of 2017 on Tues., Jan. 17th, at 6:00 pm in the hall. All men of the parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Rosary and Daily Mass

Begin your new year by reciting the rosary in our church Monday-Friday at 8:30 am, followed by a Mass or Communion Service at 9:00 am.

Parish Offerings

Last Weekend's Plate: \$2,932.00
Facility Repairs: \$ 916.00
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Marian Eucharistic Conference

The 19th annual Marian Eucharistic Conference will be held next weekend, Jan. 13-15, at St. Rose Church in Paso Robles. Hear riveting speakers explore *The Way of Mary-The Way of Humility*. To register and for more information go to their website at www.ccmecc.org.

Stress in Your Marriage?

There is less than a week left to sign up for Retrouvaille. This is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Retrouvaille has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For more information or to register for the Jan. 20-22 weekend go to www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

New Book Celebrates Diocese

A beautiful new book has just been published to commemorate the 50th anniversary of our diocese, and there are a few copies available for purchase in our parish office. It is called "Grace Upon Grace: A History of the Diocese of Monterey in California", and it is a treasure trove of photos and history. If you are interested in purchasing one for \$30 please stop by the office while copies are still available.

