January 5, 2020

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Saturday 9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, & 12:30pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word at the Sunday 9:00am Mass

Monday-Friday 8:00am & 11:00am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 11:30am-7pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday 4:15pm-5:15pm Or call the rectory for an appointment



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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 60:1-6

Jerusalem is extolled as a place of glory and splendor because the Lord has come to His own city.

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

Paul tells the Ephesians that his special mission is to make the Gentiles co-heirs with the Jews in Christ - "members of the same body and sharers of the promise."

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Herod learns that Wise Men from the East are searching for the newly born Christ Child. He instructs them to find the Child and to report His whereabouts to him. The Wise Men follow a star to the place where Mary and Jesus are and offer the Child gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They do not return to Herod but follow another route to their own country.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44Wednesday1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52Thursday1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22Friday1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16Saturday1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with your parish. Registration forms are available on our website: www.annunciationdc.org, in the foyer or by request from the parish office. Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket or the 24-hour drop box outside the parish office.

New parishioners are invited to attend our coffee reception after Mass to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if you are relocating so we can update our records.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: The sacrament joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic community. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings at 9:45am or by appointment, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process.

CONFIRMATION: "Through the sacrament of confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." Confirmation is offered to adults through the RCIA process, and annually for our eighth-grade students. As with the other sacraments of initiation, preparation is involved.

MATRIMONY: Couples should contact the parish office as soon as possible or at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for preparation.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS: For those who are interested in finding out more information about the Catholic faith and/or interested in becoming Catholic. Please call the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick: Our parish continues Christ's ministry of making whole the members of our community who suffer physical or emotional ills with Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

VISIT OUR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

We are in need of more Eucharistic ministers to make home visits. A number of our parishioners are home-bound and would like to receive Communion weekly. Help us reach out to our neighbors in need. Share the gift of the Eucharist and community. Please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or lindberg@annunciationdc.org if you can help or have any questions. Thank you!

FLOCKNOTES



Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Sign up for email messages at https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/everyone or on our website – www.annunciationdc.org. Please be sure to add mail@flocknote.com to your address book or safe sender list to ensure delivery.

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Epiphany of the Lord is not just for Christians but for all the people of the world. Jesus is made manifest to all the nations. When we often try to understand the ways of the Lord we tend to reduce His ways to small bite size pieces, which we can understand. The Lord always thinks bigger than our hearts and minds can comprehend. The Israelites always thought the Messiah was coming just for them and now we know he has come for



all people in all times. In our day and age we may think the Lord comes only for Christians but again He has come to bring salvation for all the nations and people of all religions and those of no religion. He is constantly calling us who believe in Him to be his disciples, to reach out to others and let them see God working through us. This is the work of evangelization; it is the mission of the church and all her daughters and sons.

In this New Year may we seek to serve our parish and all of its ministries so we may manifest the presence of God and present God with the gift of ourselves.

Happy and Holy New Year,

Fr. Mike

Archdiocese for the Military Services Second Collection—January 5, 2020

The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) was established by Saint John Paul II in 1985 to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries to those in the United States Armed Forces. The mission of the Archdiocese is, "Serving Those Who Serve," providing the same pastoral care



and services as any other Catholic diocese to Catholics serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled in in U.S. Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Guam, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond U.S. borders, and the families of these populations. This includes members of our own diocese.

Unlike a conventional diocese, the AMS has no parishes or parish registries. The AMS has no weekly collections and relies solely on the generosity of private donations to support its aforementioned programs and services.

Your support of the AMS will bring the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to men and women who serve our Country and defend our freedoms, including parishioners and families from your own parish family.



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

SECOND COLLECTION

January 12 Building Maintenance

Poor Box

Donations for the month of January will benefit the House of Ruth which assists women, children and families in greatest need and very limited resources build safe and stable lives.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor



SAINT OF THE WEEK



Andre Bessette
1845 - 1937

FEAST JANUARY 6

Born in Canada, Andre worked for three years in the United States as a weaver and manual laborer. After returning to Canada in 1870, he joined the Congregation of Holy Cross and took final vows in 1874. For decades, Brother Andre humbly served his community near Montreal as doorman, janitor, barber, gardener and infirmarian. With St. Joseph as his model and intercessor, he developed a healing ministry and huge following. In 1904, he moved to Montreal to help build the Oratory of the Holy Cross, and remained there for the rest of his life. When this "Miracle Man of Montreal" was canonized in 2010, Pope Benedict XVI said he "lived the beatitude of the pure of heart."

CNS Saints

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Janu	uary 5 – The Epipl	hany of the Lord	
7:30 a.m.	Berard	Parishioners	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Antonicelli	Ted Gessner	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Jack & Natalie Shea	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Mellone	Anne O'Brien Hayden	In Memory
Monday, Jan	uary 6 – Saint An	ıdré Bessette, Religious	
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Rosita Añez deFalla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Andrea Clune	In Memory
Tuesday, Jan	uary 7 – Saint Ra	ymond of Penyafort, Priest	
8:00 a.m.	Berard	Tom Rukavina	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Mary LeMense	In Memory
Wednesday,	January 8 – Chris	stmas Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	Berard	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Pat Frohman	In Memory
Thursday, Ja	nuary 9 – Christn	nas Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Terry Rothman	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Elizabeth Schubert	In Memory
Friday, Janua	10 – Christma	s Weekday	
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Nathan Zahedi	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
Saturday, Jar	nuary 11 – Christi	mas Weekday	
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Rosita, Hector Falla $\&$ Children	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Msgr. V. James Lockman	In Memory
Sunday, Janu	12 – The Bap	tism of the Lord	
7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Hector Eduardo Falla	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Parishioners	Intentions
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Elizabeth Perkins	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Antonicelli	Msgr. V. James Lockman	In Memory

We can bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or home-bound.

Ministers are available to visit any member of Annunciation who cannot attend Sunday Liturgy due to extended health issues or the infirmities of age. Please call Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x 15 or email lindberg@annunciationdc.org. Weekly Eucharist, prayer, fellowship, and sharing news from Annunciation keeps us all in communion as the Body of Christ.

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, home-bound, or living in a care facility.

OUR BAPTIZED IN 2019

Maisie Ruth Walker	February 9, 2019	
Gabriela Clark Sanjuan	February 24, 2019	
Lally Leana Marie Johnson	March 2, 2019	
Ana Maria Vial	April 28, 2019	
Cecelia Annalise Digiantonio Tatz	May 25, 2019	
Zoe Katarzyna Antczak-Chung	June 17, 2019	
Alexander Ke-An Antczak-Chung	June 17, 2019	
Morgan Parkinson Gill	June 29, 2019	
Olivia Anne Misquith	June 29, 2019	
Francesca Iris Trajano	June 30, 2019	
Mack Edward Glatzel	July 13, 2019	
Benjamin Gerard Nelson	September 7, 2019	
Theodore Byers Koch	September 14, 2019	
Sophie Burke Ball	September 21, 2019	
William James Anderson	September 28, 2019	
Marcello Joao Claver-Carone	November 9, 2019	
Eva Dawn Bulger O'Kelly	November 26, 2019	
Michaela Eden Gay	December 7, 2019	
Majak William Ter	December 13, 2019	
Maryam Nyajek Ter	December 13, 2019	
Bianca Leyla Birand	December 21, 2019	
Leo Miranda	December 23, 2019	
Nicole Akuye Kaleem	December 23, 2019	
Jacob Dasana Kaleem	December 23, 2019	
Michael Alasan Kaleem	December 23, 2019	



THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, January 5 CLOW

9:00am (PC)

Faith Fun 9:30am (PC)

Tuesday, January 7

Bible Study

11:30am (Parish Center)

RCIA

7:00pm (CR)

Wednesday, January 8

Eucharistic Adoration

11:30am (Church)

Bible Study

7:00pm (CR)

Children's Religious Ed 7:00pm (School)

Thursday, January 9Contemplative Prayer

6:25pm (Parlor)

Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm (Church)

Music at the Cathedral!

Jennifer Pascual, principal organist and director of music at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, will present a recital on the newly completed Lively-Fulcher Great Organ of the Cathedral at 3:30pm on Sunday, January 12. St. Matthew's Great Organ Inaugural Concert Series celebrates the completion of the Cathedral Great Organ. Admission to all events is free of charge. The Cathedral is located at 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, between Connecticut Ave. and 17th St., near the Farragut North



Red Line, Farragut West Orange Line, and Dupont Circle Red Line Metro stops. Visit us at www.stmatthewscathedral.org or call us at 202-347-3215.



Epiphany House Blessing

When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply, "Amen." The leader greets those present in the following words:

Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace. Blessed be God forever. **R**/. Blessed be God forever.

In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. It is Christ who enlightens our hearts and homes with his love. May all who enter this home find Christ's light and love.

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example, Luke 19:1-9:

Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham."

The intercessions are then said:

Leader: The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon him. R/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head. We pray: **R**/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you had no place to lay your head, but in the spirit of poverty accepted the hospitality of your friends: grant that through our help the homeless may obtain proper housing. We pray: **R**/. Stay with us, Lord.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration: grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory. We pray: **R**/. Stay with us, Lord.

After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say the Lord's Prayer. The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them (us) with the light of Christ, that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:

May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. R/.

It is preferable to end the celebration with a suitable song, for example, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "We Three Kings."

-From Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers



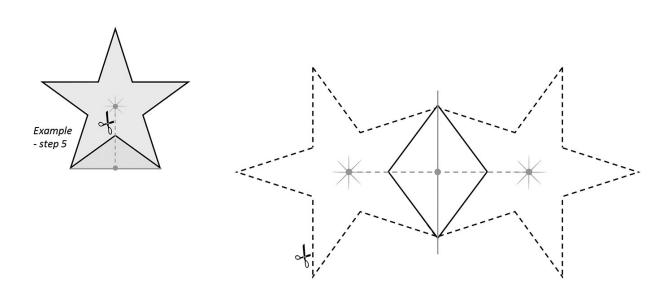
Gospel Today The Epiphany of the Lord / Matthew 2:1-12

Behold, Magi from the East arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw His star at its rising and have come to do Him homage." - Matthew 2:1-2

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Year A

At the time when Jesus was born it was a common belief that a new star appeared at the time of a rulers birth. The Maji believed following the star would bring them to Jesus, the newborn king, and it did!



DIRECTIONS TO MAKE A STAR FOR THE TOP OF YOUR ADVENT "SHARE ME" TREE

- 1] Color twin stars yellow
- 2] Color diamond (the space between the stars) green to match your tree
- 3] Cut out the double star on dotted line
- 4] Fold on gray solid line and glue together to form double-sided star
- **5]** Cut through both stars from dot-to-dot and slip over top of tree between weeks 1 & 3 or 2 & 4

