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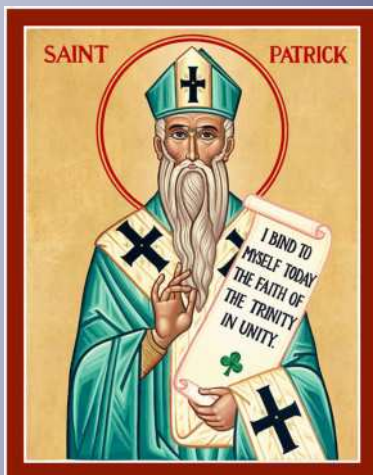
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January 4, 2026 The Epiphany of the Lord

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MONDAY - Jan 5

7:00 am - Lily Snyder (d)
8:00 am - Mary Van de Kamp (d)

TUESDAY - Jan 6

7:00 am - Callum Michael Monroze (d)
8:00 am - Reyes Rodriguez (d)

WEDNESDAY - Jan 7

7:00 am - Jim Williams (d)
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THURSDAY - Jan 8

7:00 am - Roberto Estorninos Sr. (d)
8:00 am - Dcn. Charlie Mapa (int)

FRIDAY - Jan 9

7:00 am - Betty & Ricardo Leon (d)
8:00 am - Fabian Acuña (int)

SATURDAY - Jan 10

8:00 am - Mary Van de Kamp (d)
4:30 pm - Bella Bates (d)
7:00 pm - Faustina Garcia (d)
Raul Ochoa Carlos (d)

SUNDAY - Jan 11

7:30 am - Rita R. Klauer (d)
9:00 am - Rosie Alvarez & Family (int)
11:00 am - Seamus O'Sullivan-Darey (d)
1:00 pm - Esperanza Mendoza (d)
Juan David Matadamas (d)
5:00 pm - Elizabeth Lovely (d)

**PASTOR'S NOTES -**

Fr. George G. Perez CSM - Pastor
The Epiphany of the Lord

The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates a profound truth of our faith: Jesus Christ is revealed as Savior not only to Israel, but to all nations. The visit of the Magi is more than a charming scene; it is a declaration that God's light has entered the world and cannot be contained by borders, cultures, or expectations.

In the first reading from Isaiah, we hear a powerful summons: "Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come." The prophet speaks to a people who had known darkness—exile, discouragement, and fear—yet God promises that His glory will shine upon them. This light is not meant to remain private. It attracts others: nations, kings, and peoples drawn toward hope. Epiphany reminds us that God's light is always missionary—it moves outward.

The Gospel presents the Magi, outsiders and seekers, guided by a star. They teach us something essential about discipleship. They are attentive to signs, willing to journey, courageous enough to ask questions, and humble enough to kneel before a child. In contrast, Herod and the religious leaders possess knowledge but lack movement; they know where the Messiah is to be born, yet they do not go. Epiphany gently asks us: Do we merely know about Christ, or do we seek Him with our lives?

St. Paul, writing to the Ephesians, names the mystery clearly: the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body. In Christ, no one is an outsider. This has deep pastoral implications for our communities today. Epiphany challenges every form of exclusion—whether based on culture, language, status, or past mistakes. If Christ has revealed Himself to all, then the Church must be a home for all.

Finally, the gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—invite personal reflection. What do we bring to the Lord? Our resources, our prayer, our suffering, our time? Like the Magi, when we truly encounter Christ, we return home by another way. An authentic encounter with Jesus always changes our direction.

On this feast, may we ask for the grace to recognize Christ's light, to follow it faithfully, and to reflect it clearly—so that others, seeing our lives, may be drawn to the hope we have found in Him.



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NOTAS DEL PÁRROCO – P. George G. Pérez, CJM - Párroco - Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor

La Solemnidad de la Epifanía celebra una verdad profunda de nuestra fe: Jesucristo se revela como Salvador no solo de Israel, sino de todas las naciones. La visita de los tres reyes Magos es más que una escena entrañable; es una proclamación de que la luz de Dios ha entrado en el mundo y no puede ser contenida por fronteras, culturas ni expectativas.

En la primera lectura del profeta Isaías escuchamos una poderosa invitación: «*¡Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque llega tu luz!*» El profeta se dirige a un pueblo que ha conocido la oscuridad —el exilio, el desaliento y el miedo—, y sin embargo Dios le promete que su gloria brillará sobre él. Esta luz no está destinada a quedarse en lo privado; atrae a otros: naciones, reyes y pueblos que caminan hacia la esperanza. La Epifanía nos recuerda que la luz de Dios es siempre misionera: se expande, sale al encuentro.

Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor

El Evangelio nos presenta a los Magos, extranjeros y buscadores, guiados por una estrella. Ellos nos enseñan algo esencial sobre el discipulado: están atentos a los signos, dispuestos a emprender el camino, lo suficientemente valientes para hacer preguntas y lo bastante humildes para arrodillarse ante un niño. En contraste, Herodes y los jefes religiosos poseen conocimiento, pero carecen de movimiento; saben dónde ha de nacer el Mesías, pero no van. La Epifanía nos interpela con suavidad: ¿solo sabemos cosas sobre Cristo o lo buscamos con toda nuestra vida?

San Pablo, al escribir a los Efesios, expresa con claridad el misterio: los gentiles son coherederos, miembros del mismo cuerpo. En Cristo, nadie es un extraño. Esto tiene profundas implicaciones pastorales para nuestras comunidades hoy. La Epifanía desafía toda forma de exclusión —ya sea por cultura, idioma, estatus o errores del pasado—. Si Cristo se ha revelado a todos, entonces la Iglesia debe ser un hogar para todos.

Finalmente, los dones de los tres reyes Magos —oro, incienso y mirra— nos invitan a una reflexión personal. ¿Qué llevamos nosotros al Señor? ¿Nuestros recursos, nuestra oración, nuestro sufrimiento, nuestro tiempo? Como los Magos, cuando verdaderamente nos encontramos con Cristo, regresamos a casa por otro camino. Un encuentro auténtico con Jesús siempre cambia nuestra dirección.

En esta solemnidad, pidamos la gracia de reconocer la luz de Cristo, de seguirla fielmente y de reflejarla con claridad, para que otros, al ver nuestras vidas, sean atraídos a la esperanza que hemos encontrado en Él.



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Epifanía del Señor

En la Solemnidad de la Epifanía celebramos la manifestación de Dios a todos los pueblos de la tierra, simbolizada en unos magos, sabios de Oriente, que, siguiendo una estrella, encontraron al Salvador. Epifanía es una palabra griega que significa manifestación o aparición. Es una de las fiestas más antiguas que tenemos. Los sabios, aunque paganos, representan las primicias de las naciones que acogen la buena noticia de la salvación de Dios. Ellos son prefiguración de cada uno de nosotros, de toda la humanidad que, a tientas o con certeza, busca a Dios.

Fr. Raisel Matanzas O.P.



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Beginning on February 3, Fr. Ron Bagley will offer a six-week course on the Nicene Creed. If interested, register through the Diocesan Institute. Note that there is a text book for this course that students will need to order online.

Contact Fr. Ron with questions



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C105 Credo: I Believe (15 hrs)



This course will explore the basic beliefs that are summarized in the Creed. It will take a look into the historical origin of the Nicene Creed, its relationship to other creeds, its use in the liturgy, and its ecumenical import since it is professed in many Christian religions.

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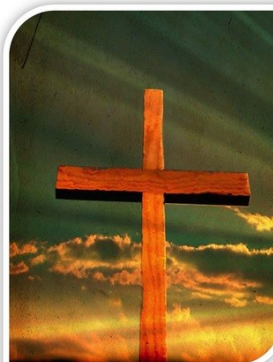


Ecumenical Prayer Service

During the week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the churches of North County are once again invited to come together for an Evening Prayer Service on **Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Encinitas.** The service will be led by clergy members from the various Christian churches. St. Patrick's Choir will once again form the core of an ecumenical choir that will lead us in song. The theme is *One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism*. Some time for fellowship will follow the service.

St. Pat's has traditionally been a leader in this annual prayer service. Join Fr. Ron and our choir on January 27. With one heart and voice let us praise the Lord.

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Monday classes: Jan 5 & 12
Tuesday classes: Jan 6 & 13

The Epiphany of the Lord

We celebrate the showing forth (epiphany) of Jesus to the nations beyond Israel. When astrologers, or magi, from the East saw a new star appear in the sky, they recognized it as a sign that a great leader had been born. Without knowing where the star would lead them or what they would find, the magi set out bearing gifts. Their belief and courage were rewarded. The star led them to the place where Jesus was with Mary his mother. Overcome with awe, they kneeled and worshipped him. Their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh honored the infant Jesus, who would not only shepherd Israel, but who came for many.

Children: What gift – prayer or kind act – can you offer the infant Jesus?

Adults: The Magi followed a star to find Jesus. Who or what leads you to Jesus today?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, may your blessing remain on us throughout the year.

On the Feast of Epiphany there is the traditional chalking the door: above the entrance of your home write the following: 20 + C + M + B + 26. The letters are initials of the Magi's names that came to be known as Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar; the letters also abbreviate the Latin phrase: *Christus mansionem benedicat* ("May Christ bless the house"). The + sign represents the Cross; the year is written at either end.

We offer faith formation for children in preschool through 8th grade, including sacramental preparation for students in public school. Please contact us at 760-729-8442 or mdornisch@stpatrikcarlsbad.com.

Blessings, *Margit Dornisch - Office for Religious Education and Family Ministry*



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Our next Family Mass is next **Sunday, January 11 at 9:00 am** in the church. It is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord and we will baptize a young parishioner during this Mass. Come and join us and bring the whole family.

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What Stars Do We Follow in Our Lives?

A Meditation by Pope Francis as found in the book by Pope Francis entitled *Christmas at the Nativity*

How many stars there are in the sky! And yet the Magi followed a new and different

star, which for them shone all the more brightly. They had long peered into the great book of the heavens, seeking an answer to their questions—they had restless hearts —, and at long last the light appeared. That star changed them. It made them leave their daily concerns behind and set out immediately on a journey. They listened to a voice deep within, which led them to follow that light. It was the voice of the Holy Spirit, who works in all people. The star guided them, until they found the King of the Jews in a humble dwelling in Bethlehem. All this has something to say to us today. We do well to repeat the question asked by the Magi: "Where is the child who has been born the King of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage" (Mt 2:2). We are impelled, especially in an age like our own, to seek the signs which God offers us, realizing that great effort is needed to interpret them and thus to understand his will. We are challenged to go to Bethlehem, to find the Child and his Mother. Let us follow the light which God offers us—that tiny light. The hymn in the breviary poetically tells us that the Magi *lumen requirunt lumine*—that tiny light. The light which streams from the face of Christ, full of mercy and fidelity. And once we have found him, let us worship him with all our heart, and present him with our gifts: our freedom, our understanding and our love. True wisdom lies concealed in the face of this Child.



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Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13

Every nation on earth shall worship the Lord.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6

Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.



Background on the Gospel Reading

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

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