



SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 7:00 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

Vigil: 5:00 pm

Tagalog Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:00 (Livestream)

12:00 pm

4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

7:00 pm

Wednesday:

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help

6:00 PM Rosary,

6:30 Novena Mass

First Friday:

7:00 PM (Livestream)

Holy Day Schedule

Eve of Holy Day: 7:00 PM

Holy Day 7:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 PM

Or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

DAILY DEVOTION

6:30 am – Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

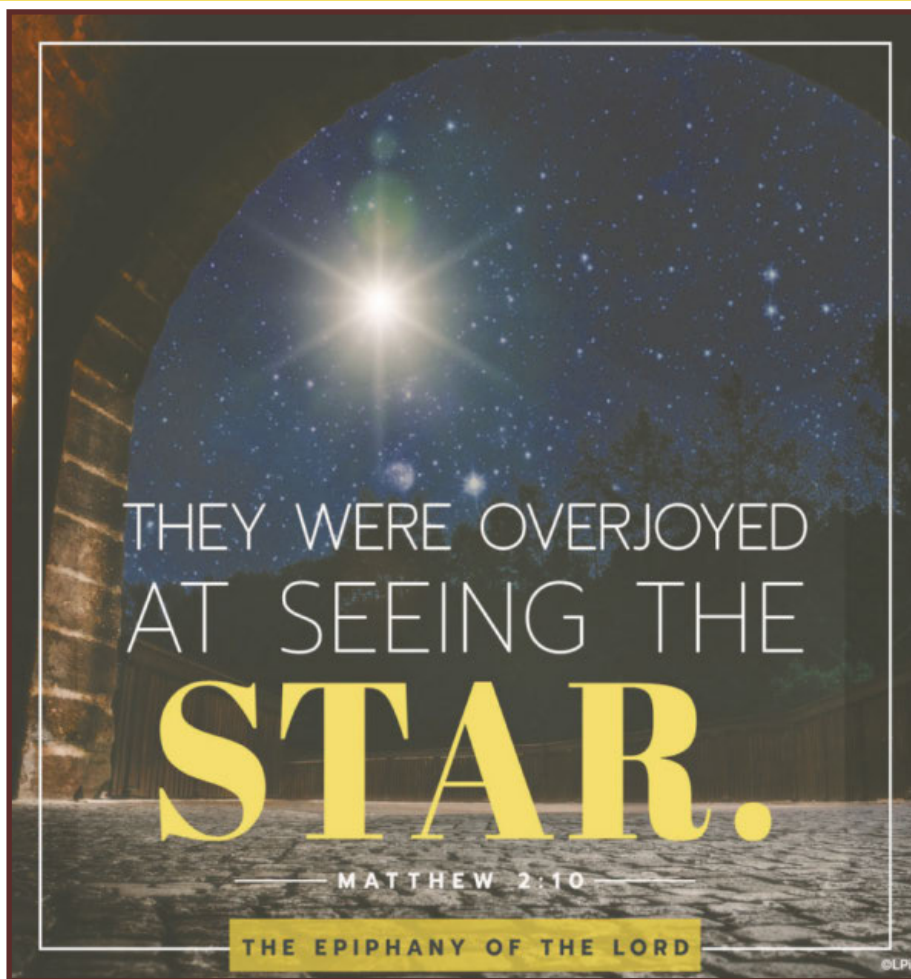
Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours with your personal access code.

PARISH PRIESTS

Rev. Msgr. Wilfredo S. Manrique, Pastor

Rev. Edgar Elamparo I, Associate Pastor



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PARISH VISION & MISSION

Vision

We are called to active discipleship to live the values taught by our Lord Jesus Christ through acts of faith, hope, and charity. As active disciples, we engage in a "mission" mode of evangelization, forming disciples and inspiring others to do the same.

Strategic Vision

We are a thriving community of disciples who see their role in the life and evangelizing mission of the Church, sustaining a parish school that continuously grows and increases its enrollment every year, and supporting a facility that architecturally highlights the beauty and spirituality of its broader community.

Mission

- We seek to be a community of active disciples who:
- Are diverse, inclusive, and collaborative (Welcoming)
- Continuously grow and share their faith with all generation of spiritual seekers (Word)
- Are involved in a creative, vibrant liturgy (Worship)
- Are involved in areas of service that impact its broader community and the world (Witness)
- Have a strong sense of stewardship, evident in the parish's healthy finances, committed organization, and self sustained ministries (Strengthening)
- Are unafraid to grow by remembering the past, celebrating the present, and believing in the future

CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT

Baptism are being celebrated every **Saturday at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm, and 2:00 pm.** Please make an appointment with the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism interview and to register for the required preparation class. The preparation class is being held every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30PM.

FIRST EUCHARIST: We accept children who are at least in first grade and seven years old. We have two classes: one is every Thursday from 6:45 pm to 8:00 pm and the other is every Saturday from 9:15 am to 10:30 am. Registration starts in late July or early August.

CONFIRMATION: It is a two-year program. First Year Confirmandi meet every first and third Friday while Second Year Confirmandi meet every second and fourth Friday. Both will have a mandatory Confirmation Retreat. Regular Class time is 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm. We accept children who are at least in seventh grade and up to Junior High (eleventh grade). Registration starts in late July or early August.

Marriage: Before planning your wedding, please make an appointment with one of our priest.

Marriage preparation usually takes at **least six months** period to complete.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist make pastoral visit to parishioners who are sick either confined in the hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, care homes, or at the convenient of their own home. Also, it is for parishioners who are homebound, i.e. their health or medical conditions could be compromised when they leave home. Pastoral visit comprise of the respectful distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the sick; and as well, as giving them emotional, social, and spiritual support through profound and thoughtful prayers.

Anointing of the Sick: In this Church's Sacrament, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or frailty of old age is sufficient. To request, please call the parish office. Outside office hours, kindly **call (408) 966-4612**. In addition, the Sacrament is also conferred during the communal celebration at the morning Mass every first Saturday of the month.

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

Second Reading:

It was not made known to people in other generations
as it has now been revealed
to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:
that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body,
and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the
gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)

Gospel:

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The news of the Messiah unsettled Herod.
We see his anxiety clearly in today's
Gospel. This is what Christ has come to
do, after all. He has come to shake things
up. Are we ready to be unsettled?

Observances for the week of January 5, 2025

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday: St. André Bessette, Religious

Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

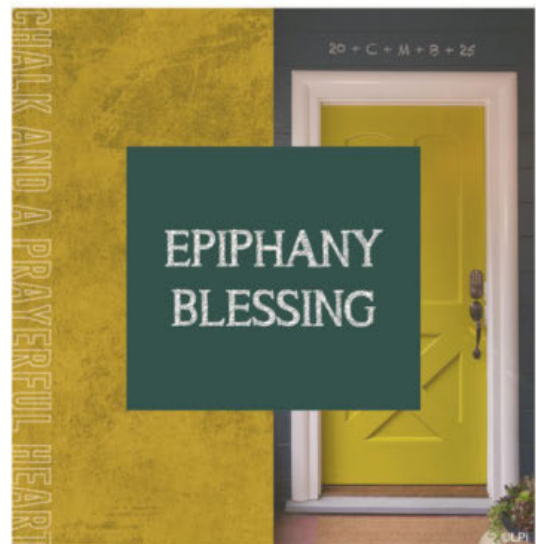
Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Epiphany household blessing is an ancient practice in the Church. This tradition is a beautiful way to observe the coming of the magi while invoking God's blessing on your home and all who enter it. All that is needed is chalk and a prayerful heart!

Prayer of Rejoicing

Fill our hearts, Lord, with rejoicing as we seek and discover You. Your ways are full of wonder, glory, surprise, and joy.

Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of January 5, 2025

Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
(see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday:

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday:

1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/
Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday:

1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday:

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday:

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday:

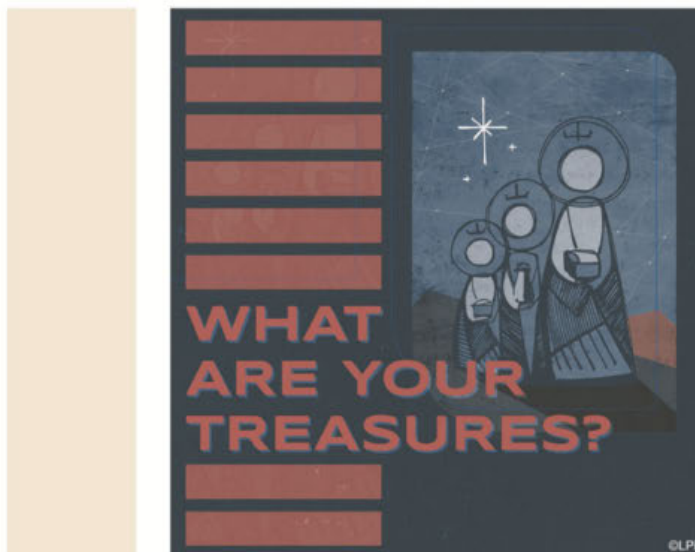
1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a
and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25,
27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Have you ever wondered why the magi had gold, frankincense, and myrrh? Matthew's Gospel tells us, **"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Matt. 2:11)**. Why are these things their "treasures"? One possible answer is they were magicians and astrologers, and these three items were the tools of their questionable trade. In offering them to Christ, they demonstrate that they will cease using such items to predict or control life. They place this baby-king, the God of Israel, at the center of their lives, and not their own devices of control, manipulation and prediction.

Isn't that what we need to do, too? Consider, for example, the magical power of money, symbolized by the magi's gold. Seemingly whatever we ask of money, it does. It wields a god-like power over the world. It can predict the future by guaranteeing better outcomes for us — which is why it is such a tempting alternative to trusting in God. The problem is such absolute trust in money enslaves us to the economic forces that make money so powerful. In paying homage to Jesus with "gold" (i.e., tithing), we participate in his authority over (and therefore freedom from) the magical sway of money.

What things in your life do you use to predict or control your future? What in your life seems to give you power over the world? Those are your treasures. Are you tired of feeling enslaved to them? Find a way to open them and give them to Christ, and you will be free.

— Father John Muir

PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



SJB GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON PASTORAL PLANNING

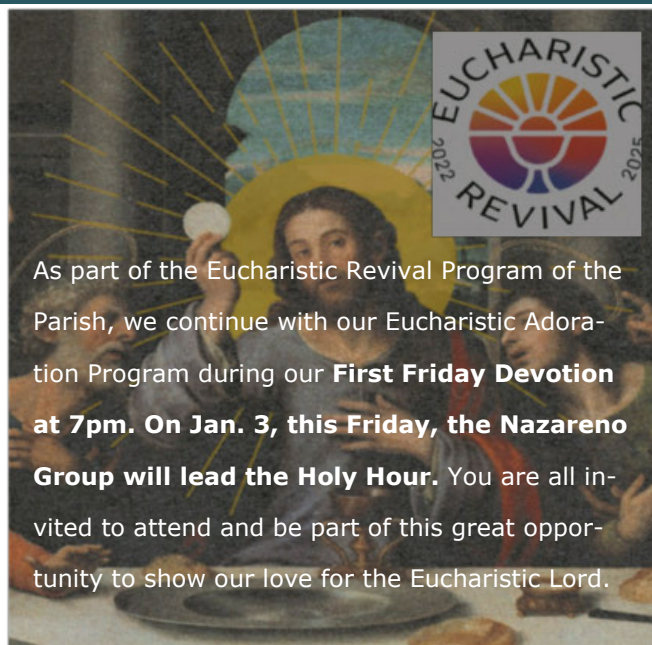
JOIN US FOR A HALF-DAY EVENT AND:

- Learn about the multi-year Diocesan Pastoral Plan's priorities and objectives
- Participate and engage in St. John's planning roadmap for our parish's spiritual and communal growth
- Take this opportunity to voice your inputs into positive changes for our parish



11 JANUARY 2025 8:30AM

PAVALKIS HALL, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH, MILPITAS, CA



As part of the Eucharistic Revival Program of the Parish, we continue with our Eucharistic Adoration Program during our **First Friday Devotion at 7pm. On Jan. 3, this Friday, the Nazareno Group will lead the Holy Hour.** You are all invited to attend and be part of this great opportunity to show our love for the Eucharistic Lord.

Parish Office closed until January 1. Regular business hours resume January 2.

For sick calls or funeral arrangements, call parish emergency line 408.966.4612.

You are invited ... to come join us for the daily novena to the Black Nazarene starting Dec. 31, 2024 (Tuesday) and a Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and procession on Jan. 8, 2025 (Wednesday) to be held at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church (279 Main St. Milpitas, CA 95035)



Novena Schedule:

31 Dec. 2024	6:00 PM	Tuesday
01 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Wednesday
02 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Thursday
03 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Friday
04 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Saturday
05 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Sunday
06 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Monday
07 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Tuesday
08 Jan. 2025	6:00 PM	Wednesday (Procession)

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Are you looking for ways to make a positive impact in our community? Look no further, because Saint John the Baptist Parish is seeking volunteers to share their time, talents, and treasures leading to meaningful change, transforming lives and strengthening our community. Together, we can create a positive impact. By filling out our volunteer forms, you can use your skills and resources to make a difference in the lives of those around us. Join us in building a stronger, more connected and God-faithful community. Let's make a difference together!"

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Our next OCIA Topic will be "The People of God" on 5 Jan 2025. Why is this an important topic? Come and let us talk about who the People of God are, and why they are important!

On Sunday 12 Jan 2025, our topic will be "The Early Church", why is it important to know the History of our Church? Come and join us in this discussion.

If you see a topic that interests you, come join us in Pavalkis Hall, room 2A, after the 10 am Mass. OCIA is open to any parishioner that would like to join us!

For more information either contact the Parish Office at 408-262-2546 or talk with [Dave Meszaros 408-892-0510](mailto:Dave.Mezzaros@408-892-0510) or Email mailman6019@yahoo.com.

Knights News Knights of Columbus Saint John's Council No. 5796

The Knights of Columbus Council 5796 wishes everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We want to thank everyone for their support this past year! We hope that you feel that the Knights of Columbus is truly supporting the Parish of St John the Baptist and the Community.

Join us on our NEW WEBSITE: KOFCMilpitas.org. See the latest pictures of what we have been doing.

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**DIOCESE OF SAN JOSÉ
JUBILEE 2025
OPENING**

The Solemn Vespers

Presided by: Most Rev. Oscar Cantú
Bishop of the Diocese of San José

Sunday, January 12, 2025

- Where: Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph, 80 South Market St., San Jose
- Time: 5pm
- The motto of the Jubilee: Pilgrims of Hope

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**Saturday, January 25, 2025
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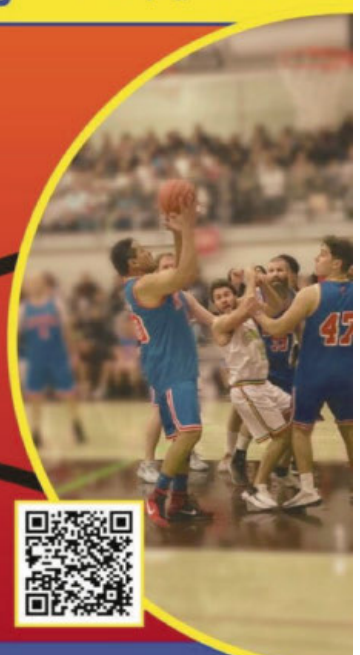
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