



St. Clare Parish

Jan. 7, 2024

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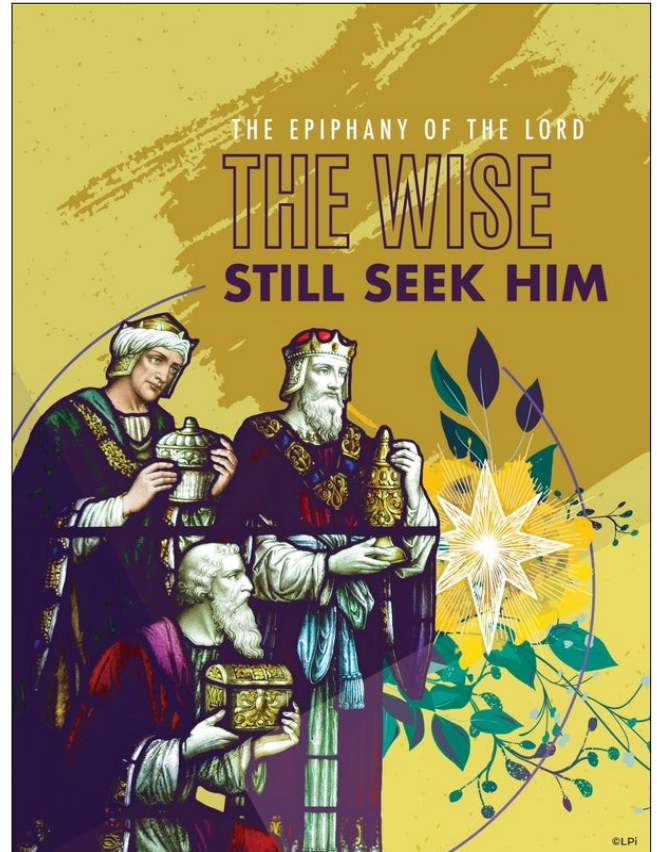
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Sacraments - Please visit www.saintclarechurch.org for more information on sacramental preparation.

Weekend & Daily Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5pm

Sunday - 8:30am & 10:45am

Weekdays except Tuesdays - 8:30am

Holy Days - 8:30am, 12pm & 7pm

Visit www.saintclarechurch.org to view our livestream weekend Masses.

Reconciliation Saturdays from 4pm - 4:30pm in the church or by appointment. Contact Fr. Don Gutmann.

Matrimony Six month preparation required. Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Baptism for Infants Contact Deacon Bill McNamara.

Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation for Adults & Teens

Contact Kim Zea; **for Children** Contact sacramentprep@saintclarechurch.org

A Warm Welcome To All Who Worship with Us

Whether you are a current parishioner and need to update your information or newly arrived in the parish and not yet registered, please complete the form below and place in the offertory basket or mail to the parish office.

Name: _____ Phone: () _____

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Weekly Inspiration **Epiphany of the Lord**

Jan. 7, 2024

Though the magi did not know where the star of Bethlehem would lead, they trusted that God would be with them along the way. Let us all embrace that same faith as we go about the journey God has planned for us this year. ©LPi



Week-at-a-Glance

Saturday, Jan. 6

9:30am	Sisters in the Spirit Gathering	Church
2:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
4:00pm	Confessions until 4:30pm	Church
5:00pm	Vigil Mass +Luigi Conti & +Diodato Digregorio	

Sunday, Jan. 7

8:30am	Family Mass +Mack McLoughlin	Church
10:45am	Mass For the People	Church

Monday, Jan. 8

8:30am	Daily Mass Laurie Zupsic	Church
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Wednesday, Jan. 10

8:30am	Daily Mass +Dave Montgomery	Church
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Thursday, Jan. 11

8:30am	Daily Mass Ellen Lazzarus	Church
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Friday, Jan. 12

8:30am	Daily Mass Melissa Taylor & Family	Church
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Saturday, Jan. 13

4:00pm	Confessions until 4:30pm	Church
5:00pm	Vigil Mass Jimmy	Church

Sunday, Jan. 14

8:30am	Mass Kim Zea	Church
10:45am	Mass For the People	Church

Fr. Don's Musings . . .

This weekend is the retreat for our Sacrament of Confirmation candidates. We've got 25 students going, predominately 7th graders. The retreat is at Twin Rocks Conference Center at Rockaway, by the beach. We go out Friday after school and return Sunday afternoon. Kim Zea is coordinating it and she has a good team of adults helping, and I'll be there as well.

The retreat focuses on the Holy Spirit. Who is the Holy Spirit? What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit? What are the Fruits of the Holy Spirit? How do I pray? We'll also have Mass and Reconciliation. And since we're going to the beach, we have to have some fun beach time for the kids, too, and a bonfire (weather permitting).

Please keep our Confirmation candidates in your prayers this weekend. Pray that their hearts are open to learning more about the Holy Spirit and that their lives are open to living with the love and power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks to Fr. Jim Galluzzo for presiding at our Masses while I am away. I really appreciate his help here at St. Clare.

Let's keep praying for one another! ~ Fr. Don

Prayer for Confirmation Candidates



Holy Spirit, strengthen our students with your gifts of Wisdom, Piety, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, and Fear of the Lord, and to serve as a disciple of Christ. Grant that they may grow into the fullness of the stature of Christ. Fill them with the joy of your presence . . .

A Portion of a Prayer from St. Theresa of Avila Church, Grovetown, GA

Scripture Readings

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jan. 14, 2024

Reading 1 - 1 SM 3:3b-10, 19

Psalms - 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

Reading 2 - 1 COR 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Gospel - JN1:35-42

For daily readings, please visit www.usccb.org

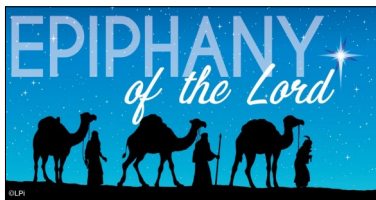
Signs of the Times by Deacon Bill . . . The Four Manifestations of Jesus Christ

This sermon from the Liturgy of the Hours encompasses the four manifestations of Jesus Christ: Nativity, Magi Visit, Baptism of the Lord, and the Wedding Feast at Cana. All are “epiphanies,” although the Magi Visit has taken the title, Epiphany, for itself.

A Sermon by St. Peter Chrysologus, 5th Century Bishop and Doctor of the Church

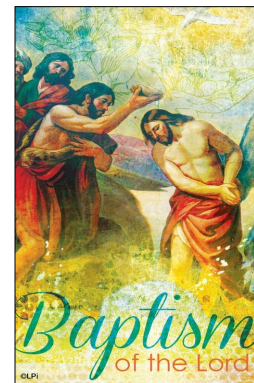
“In the mystery of our Lord’s incarnation there were clear indications of his eternal Godhead. Yet the great events we celebrate today disclose and reveal in different ways that God himself took on a human body. Mortal man enshrouded always in darkness, must not be left in ignorance, and so deprived of what he can understand and retain only by grace.

In choosing to be born for us, God chose to be known by us. He therefore reveals himself in this way, in order that this great sacrament of his love may not be an occasion for us of great misunderstanding.



Today the Magi find, crying in a manger, the one they have followed as he shone in the sky. Today the Magi see clearly, in swaddling clothes, the one they have long awaited as he lay hidden among the stars. Today the Magi gaze in deep wonder at what they see: heaven on earth, earth in heaven, man in God, God in man, one whom the whole universe cannot contain now enclosed in a tiny body. As they look, they believe and do not question, as their symbolic gifts bear witness: incense for God, gold for a king, myrrh for one who is to die. So the Gentiles, who were the last, become the first: the faith of the Magi is the first fruits of the belief of the Gentiles.

* Today Christ enters the Jordan to wash away the sin of the world. John himself testifies that this is why he has come: *Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.* Today a servant lays his hand on the Lord, a man lays his hand on God, John lays his hand on Christ, not to forgive but to receive forgiveness. Today as the psalmist prophesied: *The voice of the Lord is heard above the waters.* What does the voice say: *This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.* Today the Holy Spirit hovers over the waters in the likeness of a dove. A dove announced to Noah that the flood had disappeared from the earth; so now a dove is to reveal that the world’s shipwreck is at end for ever. The sign is no longer an olive-shoot of the old stock: instead, The Spirit pours out on Christ’s head the full richness of a new anointing by the Father, to fulfill what the psalmist had prophesied: *Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.*



** Today Christ works the first of his signs from heaven by turning water into wine. But water mixed with wine has still to be changed into the sacrament of his blood, so that Christ may offer spirited drink from the chalice of his body, to fulfill the palmist’s prophecy: *How excellent is my chalice, warming my spirit.*”

* *We celebrate the Baptism of the Lord on Monday, Jan. 8.*

** *The Wedding Feast at Cana is not one of the readings this year.*

~ Deacon Bill



A Proclamation from Deacon Bill

On The Epiphany of the Lord,
the proclamation of Easter and moveable feasts of the Church year
takes place and is usually announced by the deacon:

Know, sisters and brothers,
that we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,
so by leave of God's mercy
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection,
who is our savior.

On the fourteenth day of February
will fall **Ash Wednesday**,
and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred **Lenten season**.

On the thirty-first day of March,
you will celebrate with joy **Easter Day**,
the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the twelfth day of May
will be the **Ascension** of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the nineteenth day of May, the feast of **Pentecost**.

On the second day of June
the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**.

On the first day of December,
the **First Sunday of Advent** of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to whom is honor and glory forever and forever. Amen



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St. Clare School



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All School Open House

Sunday, Jan. 28 12-2pm

Come and learn all about St. Clare School and what makes us the "Small School with the BIG heart!"

Don't miss this once-a-year event, a great opportunity to meet our faculty and staff, learn about our curriculum and programs, have one-on-one conversations with current parents and students, and tour our building and facilities, and more! Private campus tours will be available or you can explore on your own.

This event is free and for the whole family: Parents, students, and siblings are all welcome to attend! We encourage new families and returning families with younger children entering kindergarten to attend the Open House. If you have any questions, please reach out to Emily Bridge (ebridge@stclarepdx.org), Director of Enrollment and Marketing.

St. Clare School is a K-8, Catholic parish-school community rooted in Gospel values and is dedicated to the spiritual and educational development of the whole child. St. Clare School offers small class sizes, learning support, classes in Art, PE, Spanish, Music, Technology, Drama, Library, and more. Financial aid is available.

Outreach

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- Hot & Cold Cereals
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Donations may be placed in the food baskets at the church or on the front porch of the parish office.

Please check dates to ensure foods have not expired.

Many thanks to all who contributed!

Offertory Report

	Actual Offertory	Average Offertory Goal	Amount Over (Under) Goal
W/E 12.31.23	\$10,612	\$10,779	(\$167)
W/E 12.24.23	\$11,298	\$10,779	\$519
W/E 12.17.23	\$16,995	\$10,779	\$6,216
Total December	\$63,139	\$53,895	\$9,244
Fiscal Year 23/24	\$320,350	\$291,033	\$29,317

***FY 23/24 Offertory Goal: \$10,779 per week to fund the current programs, personnel and facilities of the church.**

Total Christmas Offering = \$27,806.00

Reminder: Interested in Online Giving? Please visit www.saintclarechurch.org. Thank you!



Catholic Charities

Furniture Needed for Refugee Families

Government officials are calling on Catholic Charities of Oregon to resettle more refugees in the Portland area, and furnishings for the new households are in short supply.

"We are low on furniture at our warehouse. And we have a lot of apartment set-ups in January," said Peter Vins of the Refugee Services program at Catholic Charities.

Beds, couches, chairs and tables are all welcome. Catholic Charities staff will arrange for pickup.

"These families are escaping Russian attacks in Ukraine, fleeing the Taliban in Afghanistan, and seeking safety from dangerous regimes in places like the Central African Republic," said Ed Langlois, spokesman for Catholic Charities. "In many cases, the families coming to us risked their lives to help American initiatives."

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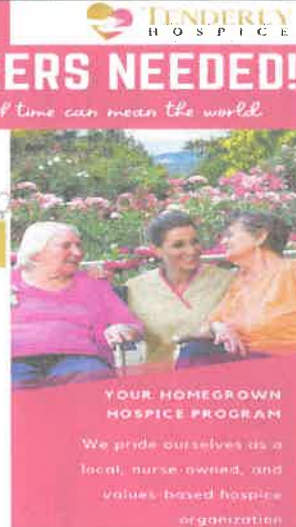
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