

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 04, 2015

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

— Psalm 72:11

The seat padding will be installed January 2015. The Artist also will be returning later in January to resume work on columns.



SUNDAY - January 4 - The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
7:30 am - Gianna † & Walter Gillig, Jr †
10:00 am - M/M John F. Cano †
11:30 am - Vietnamese Community - Fr. Phi Nguyen, Celebrant

MONDAY - January 5 - St John Neumann, Bishop

1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
8:00 am - Edward Bianchi †

TUESDAY - January 6 - St André Bessette, Religious

1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
8:00 am - Victor Neisser, Sr †

WEDNESDAY - January 7 - St Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
8:00 am - In Thanksgiving

THURS - January 8

1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
8:00 am - Fred Hoelscher †

FRIDAY - January 9

1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
8:00 am - Katherine Long †

SATURDAY - January 10

1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
8:00 am - Susan M. Lentz †
5:00 pm - Anita † & Edward Amador †

SUNDAY - January 11 - The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10
or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11
7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Pastor
10:00 am - Charles Rigamonti †

NEXT WEEKEND - January 10 & 11

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

of HOLY COMMUNION

Sat. 5:00 pm - Lillian Berger

and LECTORS

Harvin Suggs

Sun. 7:30 am - Joy Loest

Sherry Kainer

Dennis Boehm

Sun. 10:00 am - April Nunley

Alvin/Claudia Schoener

Jeff Nunley

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat 5:00 pm - Brandy Chamrad, Lacie Linam, Suzie Ryan

Sun 7:30 am - Nicole Easley, Austin Kainer, Sydney Goslin

Sun 10:00 am - Allison Nunley, Ross Nunley, Eric/Reice Tibiletto

USHERS:

5:00 pm - James Hill, Thomas Tucker, Norman Schoener

7:30 am - Paul Bittlebrun, Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl

10:00 am - Howard Bludau, Volunteers

ALTAR CLEANER(S):

Debbie Sullivan

SUNDAY - The Epiphany of the Lord

Extra EnvlColl: Building Repairs & Initial Offering

11:30 am - Vietnamese Community - Fr. Phi Nguyen, Celebrant

WEDNESDAY - R.C.I.A. - 7:00pm - R.E. Bldg.

SATURDAY - Confessions 4:00 - 4:30 pm

SUNDAY - The Baptism of the Lord

(Second Collection) Extra EnvlColl: D.S.A.

PARTNERS IN THE PROMISE

As a society, during these days we can be in something of a "postpartum" depression. Our celebrations of Christmas and the New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression "partners in the promise." This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah—a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

GENTLENESS

Feelings are everywhere—be gentle.

—J. Masai

Weekly Offering	THANK YOU <i>Your Generosity is Appreciated</i>
	WEEKEND of 12-20/21-14 Count - 489
	Envelopes..... \$ 3,189.00
	Loose..... 1,152.00
	Other Donations..... 470.00
	Total Operating Income..... \$ 4,811.00
	<i>ExtraCollEnvlp.....(AltrServerEdu.Sclrshp).....</i>
	D.S.A..... \$ 100.00
	Christmas Flowers..... \$ 115.00
	RockyMtnHigh Fund Raiser..... \$ 108.75

Please Pray for Our Sick

Chris Stroh, Tina Moya, Jim Vacek, Mary A. Hoerig, Daria Sanchez, Sandra McKeown, Diane Mendoza, Bill Hough, George Boedeker, Bob Kubesch, Margie Tater, Jackie Mahan & Winfred Kainer


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Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes

It is never too late to register!
 If you have not registered, register at the next GOF class OR
 call the Rectory 575-3813 or Laurie Bautista @ 573-9561

Jan 4 GOF Class
 Jan 4 Magi Party for catechists and guests @ 6:30 p.m.
 Jan 11 GOF Class
 Jan 18 GOF Class
 Jan 24 1st Reconciliation 10 a.m. in Church
 Jan 25 **FaithAlive Sunday**




A Special Thank You to Nazareth Academy
 For the Christmas costumes used
 for the Children's Christmas Eve Mass.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
 Please call if you are interested in RCIA

*RCIA meets each Wednesday evening
 from 7-9 in the Religious Education Bldg.*
 For more info call: Bob/Laurie Bautista at 573-9561
 or contact Rectory at 575-3813



Due to early publishing deadlines
 there are no reports for
Christmas Offerings
 or for the **WEEKEND of 12-27/28-14**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
 Epiphany celebrates the wake-up calls of life, the showings of God's majesty and power in the person of Jesus. The feast alerts us to look for signs of the Lord's grace and action in our lives today. In this context, the call of the Second Vatican Council to reform the sacramental life of the Church, including our pattern of care for the sick, is indeed a holy awakening.

Prior to the 1960s, our care for the sick had collapsed in the popular imagination into something everyone called "last rites." An immensely complicated ritual, with anointing accompanied by quickly muttered Latin prayers, was enacted for a marginally conscious person at "death's door." By the time a priest was called, the sick person might not be able to receive viaticum, or derive much personal benefit from the ritual. The healing effects of the sacrament, investing suffering with the dignity of a link to Christ's cross, and the immense assurance of forgiveness for a person reviewing the life journey, were hidden. Suddenly, an epiphany swept through the Church, and the way we care for the sick was utterly transformed. It took several centuries, however, for the Church to reach that moment of renewal. —Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

Corporal Works of Mercy - CHARITY IN ACTION
 The **Volunteers** of the *St Vincent De Paul Society* would like to extend a huge **'Thank You'** to our Parish. Through your generous donations we were able to help 400 people and make 115 home visits. (from the Annual Report of 10/2013 to 9/2014)

Remembrance envelopes, benefiting the **Preservation and Enhancement Fund at Our Lady of Lourdes Church** are available at the rectory or at the entrance of the church.

News Around Town

CDA Court St. Ann #369 will be meeting on Jan. 5th, beginning with prayer at 6:10 PM, followed by the business meeting at 6:30 PM in the KC Hall. We invite all Catholic women 18 and older to come and learn about ministries we serve and support.

KC COUNCIL 1329 CHICKEN BBQ will again resume on **JANUARY 18, 2015** and every month until July 2015.

The **Quarterly Bunco** hosted by the Alotar Society of Holy Family Church will be **January 14, 2015 from 9:00am to noon**. It will be held at St. Peter Parish Hall. Lunch will be served. For information or reservations contact Ginger Wagner, 578-2037 or Betty Frederick, 573-5850.

Amor Meus Spirituality Center
 Website: armormeusspirituality.org or call 361-575-7111 for information about upcoming retreats for January 2015.

JANUARY IS THE MONTH FOR CELEBRATING GOD'S MIRACLE OF LIFE!

This Is What The Gabriel Project Is All About !!

.....Mary set out, proceeding in haste into the hill country to a town of Judah, where she entered Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leapt in her womb. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and cried out in a loud voice: "Blest are you among women....."

Going in haste to help a Mother in a Crisis Pregnancy and her unborn child!
Won't you help to fulfill Christ's promise of the miracle of Life!
Where is God calling you?
"The spirit of the Lord is upon me" (Isaiah 61:1)
Come learn and discern God's mission for you!

HOW: Gabriel Project Workshop
WHEN: **Saturday, January 17 - 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**
WHERE: **101 W. Convent St., Victoria, TX**
(behind St. Mary's Catholic Church downtown Victoria)

Light breakfast and Lunch provided – NO COST
 To RSVP or questions, please contact
 Barbara McCain Williams (361) 649-1612 or
 Email: barbaramccain85@yahoo.com

10th annual Catholic Men's Conference
An invitation to men: Coming February 21, the Catholic Men's Conference in San Antonio is for men of all ages! The Conference will offer powerful speakers such as Fr. Larry Richards, Author of *Be A Man: Becoming the Man God Created You to Be*; Fr. Nathan Cromly, Fr. Patrick Martin, a Healing Service, and Mass with Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, inspirational music & more! Men, don't miss this opportunity for spiritual renewal--Saturday, February 21st. Check out CMCSanAntonio.com or call the Pilgrim Center of Hope at 210-521-3377. This event has sold out the last two years.

Public Service Announcement - OMBUDSMAN VOLUNTEERS
 Caring volunteers are needed for rewarding work as advocates for nursing home residents. An Ombudsman visits the same local nursing home weekly to promote quality care and to protect residents' rights. Free initial and ongoing training is provided and no prior experience is needed. If you are that special person who enjoys helping others, please contact Christina Guajardo, Elder Rights Coordinator at Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission Area Agency on Aging at 361-578-1587 ext. 217 or 1-800-574-9745.