

GOSPEL SUMMARY: MATTHEW 2:1-12



Today 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 accepted 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 faith and courage were rewarded when God revealed to them his own Son.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GOSPEL: On our faith journeys, we, too, have to remain alert for the signs through which Jesus reveals his presence to us. His "stars" are all around us? In the beauty of creation, in the Church, in the arts and sciences, in the uniqueness of each person. How will you be alert to the "stars" around you? How can you let Jesus shine through you?

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: The Magi followed a star to find Jesus. Who or what leads you to Jesus today?

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, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Weekly Mass Schedule and Intentions:

SAT	01/03	5:00PM	For the Parishioners
SUN	01/04	8:30AM	+Mary Grace
SUN	01/04	11:00AM	(SI) Jessie Jeanette Weddle
SUN	01/04	12:30PM	For the Parishioners
MON	01/05	NO MASS	
TUE	01/06	7:30AM	Communal Service
WED	01/07	7:30AM	Communal Service
THU	01/08	7:30AM	Communal Service
FRI	01/09	7:30AM	Communal Service



Announcements

- OFFERING REPORT:** Our weekly offering from **Dec. 28, 2014** was \$2,611.65. Thank you for your love and support.
- KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST:** Gather in Keenan Hall for food and fellowship as the Knights' of Columbus serve up a delicious breakfast after the 8:30AM Mass **Sun., Jan 4.**
- MOTHER MARY'S LADIES GUILD:** The Thurs **Jan 8th** meeting will be held at @ 6:00p.m. in Keenan. All women of the Parish are welcome. Please contact Kim Perry for more info 619 778-1914.
- AFTER-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT:** **Jan 9-11, 2015.** Held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. Confidentiality maintained. For more information call Rosemary at 858-581-3022.
- FROM THE OFFICE OF SOCIAL MINISTRY:** Join Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles, several other Bishops from Southern California, and thousands of people from throughout the region on **Jan 17** at One Life LA, the first-ever large-scale event in downtown LA promoting the beauty and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. Beginning at 10:00 at La Placita Olvera. For more info call 858 490-8323 or visit www.OneLifeLA.org

Divine Mercy Conference: The 17th Annual Divine Mercy Conference will be held Feb. 6 & 7th at the Juan Diego Center, Mission San Antonio de Pala followed by "Amazing Miracles" talk by Tim Francis. The opening Mass will begin at 7:00 pm on Feb. 6. Call Jan for more information at 619-276-6637 or www.SDdivinemercury.org

Daily Prayer For Priests

O Jesus,
I pray for your faithful and fervent priests;
For your unfaithful and tepid priests;
For your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields.
For your tempted priests;
For your lonely and desolate priests;
For your young priests;
For your dying priests;
For the souls of your priests in Purgatory.
But above all, I recommend to you the priests dearest to me:
The priest who baptized me;
The priests who absolved me from my sins;
The priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion;
The priests who taught and instructed me;
All the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way (especially _____).
O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart,
And bless them abundantly in time and in Eternity. Amen

By St. Therese of Lisieux

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1 Pope Francis	2 Bishop Robert Brom	3 Bishop Gilbert Chavez
4 Rev. Michael McFadden OSA	5 Rev. James McGray	6 Rev. Peter McGuine	7 Rev. Edward McNulty	8 Rev. Mark Menegatti OSA	9 Rev. Christopher Merris	10 Very Rev. Msgr. Dennis Mikulanis

COMMUNAL SERVICES

JAN. 6 THRU JAN. 9 AT 7:30AM



Wednesday's 8:30 am to 6:00 pm. Come spend an hour with Him.



FAMILY NIGHT

Friday, **Jan 9** from 6:00 to 9:30PM

Only \$2.00 per game

Play all 10 games for only \$15.00

(When you purchase the 10 pak)

Games Start at 7:00pm

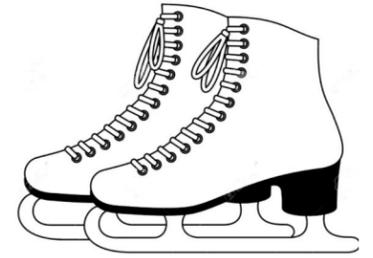
DINNER Served 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Family Dinner Night – Served by Knights of Columbus

Only \$5.00 per person

Supervised by Volunteers from the Youth Group

100% of the Profits support the Youth Group Activities



Ice Skating at UTC. Youth should meet at the church by 5PM on Sat **Jan 10** for fun and ice skating. We will return by 9pm. Food is available for purchase at the UTC Food Court. For more info Call Yasmin Gilbert at 619 300-1403.



Are you 'that friend' that people call on when their computer gives them trouble and they can't figure out how to get their computer running properly? We need someone who is comfortable with computers and technology who we can call when we have issues we don't know how to address. This Tech Consultant would be available to come to the Parish Office at least once a month to check in on minor repairs or questions, as well as being available for us to call or email when we have questions or need technology advice. Please call or stop by the office if you can help.