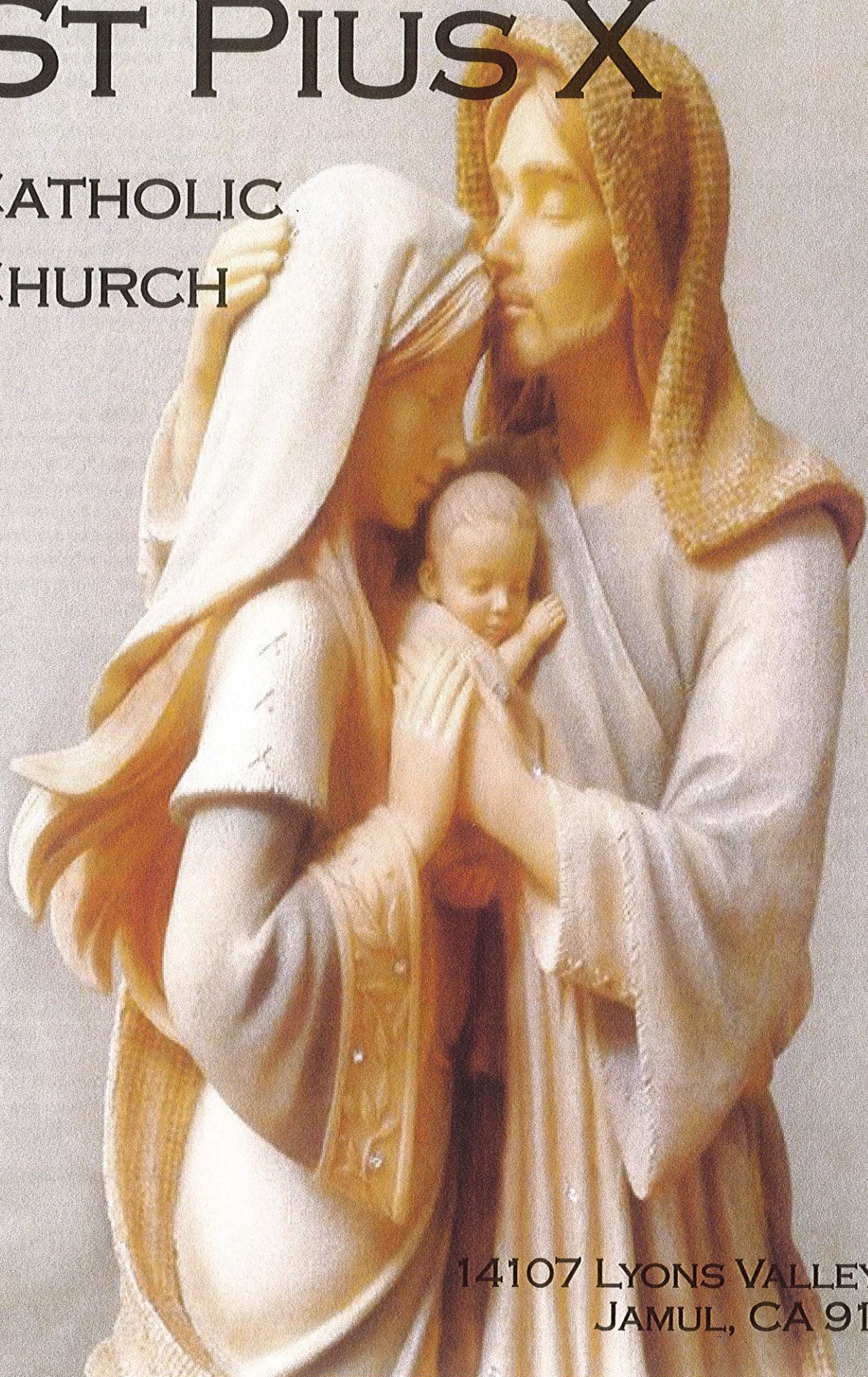


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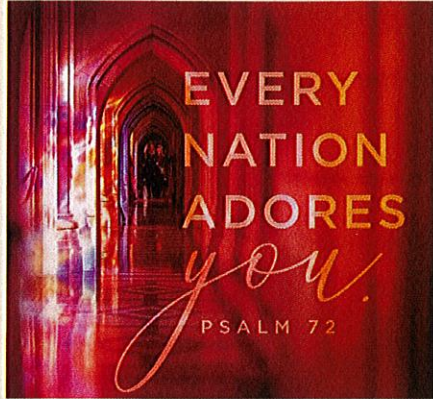
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Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
OF SCRIPTURE
January 3, 2021
The Epiphany of the Lord



“Where is that thing?” mumbled Bob as he searched frantically on his dimly lit desk for the current electric bill. “I know I put it right on top of these papers this morning!” Growing in frustration and bordering on anger, he flies stuff around, moves books and opines why simple tasks need to be so hard. Enter his wife, who calmly says, “Maybe it would help if you put the light on, dear.” The desk light goes on and lo and behold, there is the electric bill right where Bob left it earlier. All it took was a little light!

We stubbornly refuse to turn on the lights! Either we are distracted, determined, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Or perhaps, we fail to do the obvious. We would rather live our lives with the dimmest of lights or even in total darkness. Why are we afraid to do something so that we can actually see? It might help us to find quicker and better answers to problems, the meaning of life, relationships, happiness, and what is ultimate truth. Yet, we stumble along, moving things from one side to the other, getting angry, feeling cheated, being unsettled, resigning ourselves to the agony of defeat once again.

“And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.” The light has come into the world in the person of Jesus Christ! We no longer have to fumble in the darkness. We have been gifted with the illumination we need to see our way through things and find what we really are looking for. All these years later, however, so many are still reluctant to accept him. Perhaps they are unconvinced, disinterested, preoccupied, stubborn, apprehensive, or all of the above. Everyone has their own reason for not wanting to turn on the switch.

But there are so many answers to so many of our problems in this humble Child of Nazareth. A simple birth teaches us about God’s tender wedded relationship with humanity. It speaks to the expanse of God’s salvation across the globe, and the incarnate Divine wonders and blessings that are a part of our life moment to moment. It calls us to understand the design of world order God intended as found in the Beatitudes, the sacredness of every human life and all of creation and the meaning of things we struggle with most, like suffering and death. We have a lot of Good News to share, not just with a privileged few but with all the world. All races and creeds can receive God’s healing word. God continues to manifest himself even now! Use the light to find what you are really looking for!

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS

*Wise Men See God
in the Simple Things*

If you’re on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: “God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace.”

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God’s and Herod’s. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn’t entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which. After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn’t say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I’ll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod’s charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe. The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it’s enough to remember this: God’s plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let’s have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: I've seen people wear jeans, shorts, to mass, and other people wear fancy clothing. What is the proper attire for Mass?

Answer: Dress for mass... In our daily lives, there are occasions when we “dress” in our best attire for a special event. When we gather to celebrate Mass, we are in the Presence of the Lords, should not our dress reflect that we are in a most important event? Let us be respectful of the Lord and one another in how we dress for Mass. AS one pastor noted to his parish...”dress in your best—not Warren Buffet's best- but your Best.” A persons trues beauty comes from their dignity of being made in God’s image. If anyone wasn't to truly reflect God’s beauty, it start with modesty. Proper attire and dressing conservatively shows modesty and true beauty. In order for Mass to be about being in the Presence of our Lord and worshipping with all our hearts, our souls and minds for everyone present, we should not wear items or clothing that will be disturbing to others. For example ladies wearing short skirts, made take someone else's mind away from our Lord.

Therefore, tank tops, shorts, flip flops, hats, jeans, tight fitting clothes should not be worn to Mass. If your outfit includes a hat, hats should be removed as a sign of respect.

Next time you are getting ready for Mass, remember to maintain modesty and wear your Sunday best attire to come and in the Presence of the Lord.



**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION
FOR THE WEEK**

Even the slightest flicker of a light helps to properly orient us when we find ourselves in total darkness. Being in darkness can be unsettling and even a bit unnerving. We lose our focus and struggle to find our bearings and achieve balance. On life’s journey we may think we are walking in the light but are really lingering in darkness. We do not see the full picture, either because we are distracted, disinterested, or even apprehensive. Sometimes, we even choose to close our eyes when the light is readily available to illuminate our path. Do we really desire to know the truth of who we are? In Jesus Christ, a light has been given to those who dwell in darkness. God’s revelation gives us the light to see where we come from, who we are and where we are going. It also tells us that this Good News is not meant for just a privileged few but is intended to go out to all the world. Is this something we want to see?

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - WE INVITE YOU TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

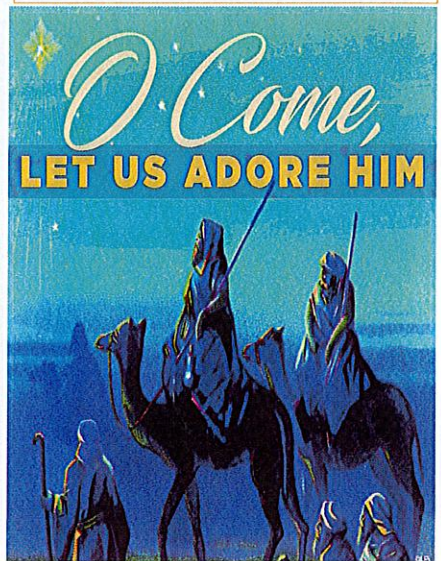
In late 6th century BC, the prophet Isaiah proclaimed an unimaginable future of glory for Israel in the wake of their return from seventy years of captivity in Babylon. What message of hope does our nation need today?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of God’s “revelation” to include Gentiles as “coheirs” and “copartners” with Jews in the divine promise fulfilled in Christ Jesus. How welcoming are you to those you consider outsiders?

Gospel:

The magi’s visit to discover the “newborn king of the Jews” caused great anxiety for the religious leaders of Jerusalem, including King Herod. Why do you think some people are not open to the good news of Jesus Christ? ©LPi



JANUARY 3, 2021 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Sunday Masses 8:30am 10:30am (Spanish)						Sunday Vigil 5:00pm
Please pray for: Bishop John Dolan	Please pray for: Bishop Ramon Bejarano	Please pray for: Bishop Robert Brom	Please pray for: Rev. Michael Tran	Please pray for: Rev. Corey Tufford	Please pray for: Rev. Matthias Tumulty, OFM	Please pray for: Rev. Edwin Tutor
Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12	1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52	1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30

MASS Intentions

Jan 3	Sun	8:30am	The Epiphany of the Lord
Jan 3	Sun	10:30am	The Epiphany of the Lord
Jan 9	Sat	4:00pm	+Dedrea +Tony +Luigy

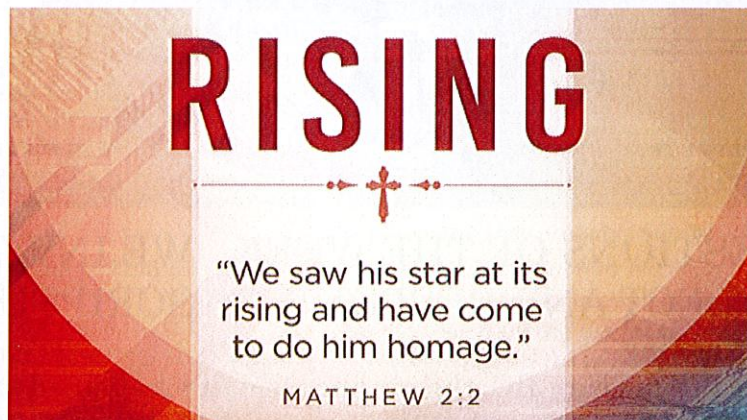
Observances for the week of January 3, 2021

Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Tuesday:	St. John Neumann, Bishop
Wednesday:	St. André Bessette, Religious
Thursday:	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Friday:	
Saturday:	

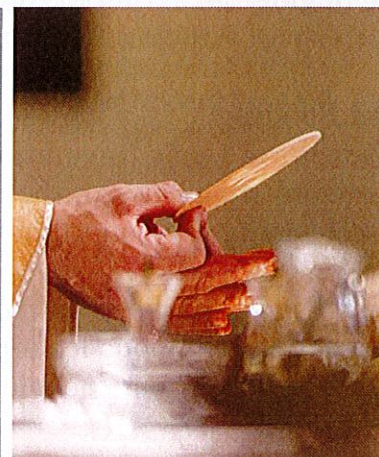
When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"

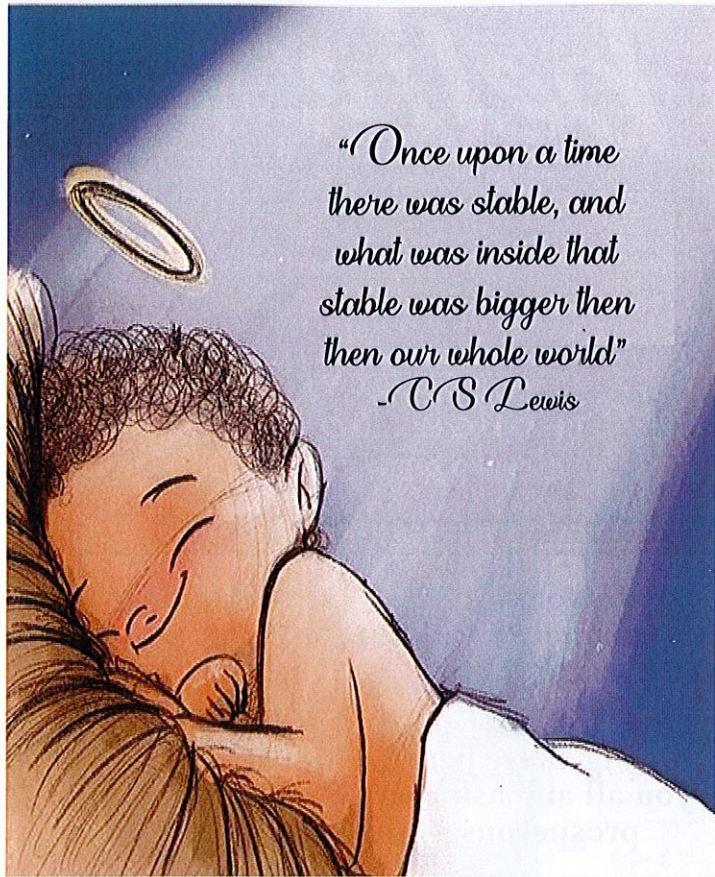
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." — Mt 2:1-2

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"Once upon a time there was stable, and what was inside that stable was bigger than then our whole world"
- C.S. Lewis



Come, Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them
the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit, Lord,
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God,
who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
grant that by the same Holy Spirit
we may be truly wise
and ever enjoy his consolations,
through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

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PLEASE STAY HOME IF:

you have a pre-existing condition

You are feeling sick

You suspect you may have been exposed to COVID-19

You have a sick family member at home

You are in the risk population

REMEMBER TO:

Wear a face mask

Practice social distance

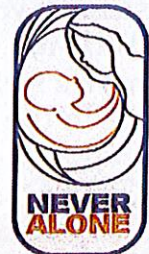
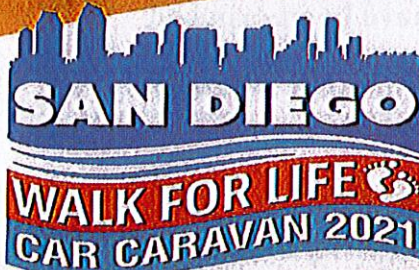
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Thu ▶ 7p.m. Virtual concert with Ryan Ellis

Sat ▶ 10 a.m. Outdoor Mass @ The Immaculata parish (USD) & Cathedral High School

Celebrants: Bishop McElroy and Aux. Bishop Dolan

(Bilingual Mass, live-stream optional, must bring a face mask, a chair, and wear blue)

10 a.m. Non-denominational services

1p.m. Car caravan in Downtown, San Diego

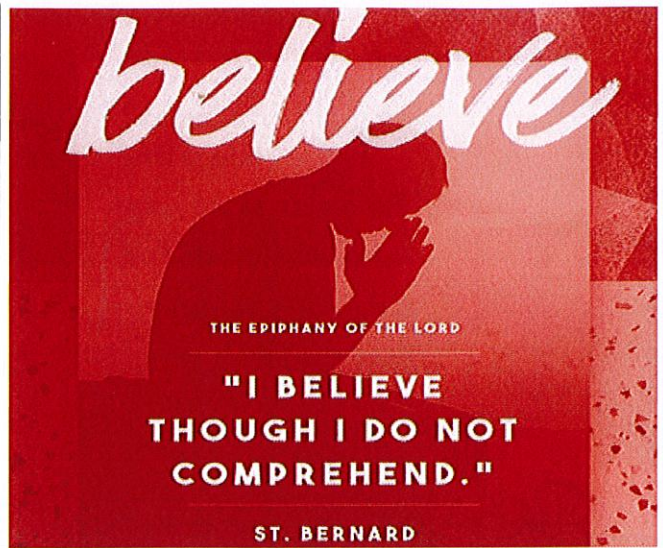
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Online Giving	\$618.06
Christmas Eve & Christmas Day	\$2,010
Total	\$5,238.06
Funds needed a week to	\$5,000
Overage/Deficit	+\$(\$238.06)



Our ACA Parish Goal for 2020 was \$38,000.00 the pledged amount was \$25,720 with a \$23,811.64 as an Actual paid amount.

We thank you for your continuous support during these hard times. Gad bless you all and ask that the new year is prosperous for all.

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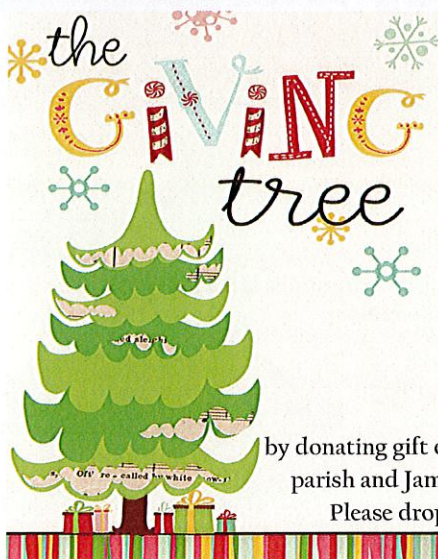
COVID-19 Symptoms

Fever	Cough	Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Chills	Repeated shaking with chills	Muscle pain
Headache	Sore throat	New loss of taste or smell



Feeling Sick?

Stay home when you are sick!

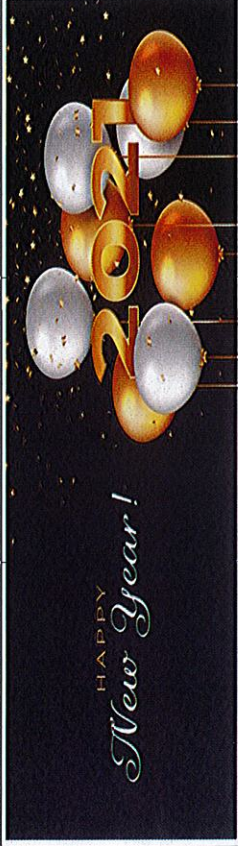










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January 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mass Schedule Vigil 4:00pm 8:30am English 10:30am Spanish					 Office Closed Mass 9:00am (English) 11:00am (Spanish)	First Saturday Mass 9:00am Men's Fellowship Via Zoom The Imitation of Christ
St Vincent de Paul Sunday  THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 	4	5	6 	7	8	9
10  Baptism of the LORD	11	12	13	14	15	16
17  ORDINARY TIME	18  HAVE A DREAM MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY OFFICE CLOSED	19	20	21	DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN 	23
24  ORDINARY TIME	25	26	27	28	29	30
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