

EPIPHANY
JANUARY 7, 2017

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH
7105 Cass Ave. DENTON, NE 68339
Parish priest: Msgr. Mark Huber
Regular Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil: 5:00 pm
8am, 10am, 12 noon

◆ Daily Mass: 8:00 am

Confession: ½ hour before weekend Masses
or anytime upon request

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MASSES INTENTIONS 1/08/18 – 1/14/18

Mon - 8am - Dorothy Griffin
Tues - 8am - baby Martin
Wed - 8am - Julie Sullivan
Thurs - 8am - Ernie Hejl
Fri - 8am - Barb & Pat Gill intentions
Sat - 8am - Mary Kurz
5pm - Theoda & Joseph Bernadt
Sun - 8am - Coletta Wemhoff
10am - all people
12 noon - Steve, Amber Jarecki intentions

EPIPHANY DINNER: 6pm Jan. 9th all ladies of the parish are invited to join in a meal, please bring a side dish or dessert, the main course will be provided. We will pray the rosary together afterward.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY: 1-31-17
Tithe: \$10,165.00; Loose Plate: \$108.00; Votive: \$20.00.

LECTORS & ACOLYTES TO BE: If there are men interested in serving in this capacity please contact Msgr. Huber. If there are ladies interested in reading you can also contact Msgr. Huber.

TICKLE YOUR TOES: The parish will collect socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, etc. to be given to shelters for those in need.

CHURCH CLEANING: Jan: Lynda Peterson, Deb Henkel, Deb Ruhlman, Mary Jo Griffin, Rosemary Clements, Pam Mechtenberg, Barb Sullivan, Sara Winters, Michelle Richards; Thank you to all who kept things in great shape last month: Carmen Hesser, Janyce Ostrander, Paige Mongeon, Beth Coufal, Jodee Gabel, Dayana Patera, Audine Oehm, Judy Gant, Kate Pulec.

POPE'S INTENTIONS: That Christians in Asia, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

FOODNET: Volunteers serve at Denton Comm. Center, 5pm Mondays. If you could assist preparing meals at 3:30pm, picking up food from different locations on Mondays 1-3, serving, or cleaning up later contact John Hetcko or Mary Coulter.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Men interested in joining, transferring, or reactivating are invited to contact Jeff Sears or Joe Keaschall.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTERS: Thank you to all who participated. Those moving on to the next level have their posters on the narthex wall; other posters are in the narthex and can be taken home.

PRAYER LINE: parishioners willing to pray for your intentions. If you have requests please forward to Boots, bootswailes@aol.com or 402-328-9730.

PARISH THINGS: Jan. 10th CCD resumes // Jan 13th 7-8am Holy Hour. // Jan. 15th KC Meet // Jan 21st 7pm Women's gathering, *Vino er Veritas*, at Mongeon's home // Jan. 23rd 6:45-8pm reading & discussion of the Book of Genesis // Jan. 28th men's gathering, *Saints on Tap*, at Chapman's home // Feb. 2nd First Friday adoration // June 11-15 Summer days with School Sisters of Christ the King

FORMED.ORG: Visit this website and go to the section with a registered parish, put in the parish code *d3d398* and you will be able to enter your email address and password to access the materials, Catholicism, Symbolon, Y-disciple, and more...

LITURGY PLANS- Jan. 13/Jan. 14

5pm	8am	10am	
Clements	Coppersmith	Jurgens	music
Clements	Baum	Kluge	read
Aschoff	Chapman	Hobbs	acite
Griffin	Riley	Ryan	ushr
	Topil	Shinaut	ushr
Griffin	Hollman	Shinaut	gifts
	Chapman	A Vinton	srvr
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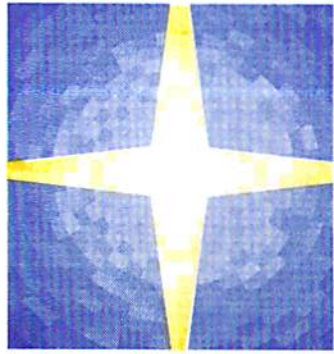
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NEARBY EVENTS: // retreats, 402-786-2705 or see www.goodcounselretreat.com, Jan. 11-13 LDCCW Winter Symposium and Unbound retreat Jan. 19-21 led by Fr. Holoubek // NFP sessions Jan. 11th & 23rd 7pm at John 23rd Center, go to www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp // Pray the rosary at 9:30 and 1pm on Tuesdays outside the abortion clinic in Lincoln // Jan. 14th Catholic PREP day for second marriage or older couples preparing for sacramental of matrimony // Jan. 14th at Gianna's Gelato & Java Chad Steiner & Jake Mousel speak on the ecumenical perspective on the Reformation period // Jan. 28th Villa Maric Home & School for exceptional children benefit dance & raffle 7:30-10:30pm at Pla Mor Ballroom; music provided by Bobby Layne & orchestra // Feb. 3rd Crete LDCCW meets in Exeter // Feb. 5th 7-9pm begins 12 week session for men & women seeking healing from divorce at John 23rd Center // Feb. 9-11th Marriage Encounter Lincoln weekend "heart to heart communication" contact Pat (308-940-0670) or Janelle (308-940-1105) // seven sisters weekly prayer for priests, contact bootswailes@aol.com for information // Marian Mantle prayer group meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month 3pm in the Flanagan room at Madonna Hospital to pray for child's faith and perseverance //

WORKS OF MERCY: *Corporal:* Feed the hungry, Give drink to the thirsty, Clothe the naked, Shelter the homeless, Visit the sick, visit those in prison, Bury the dead; *Spiritual:* Instruct the ignorant, Counsel the doubtful, Warn the sinner, Bear wrongs patiently, Forgive offenses willingly, Comfort the afflicted, Pray for the living & the dead.

FAMILY LIFE OFFICE: Type in "diocese of lincoln"; for events/ opportunities. For study from home go to "Education", under religious education there are good materials.

ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH: There are letters in the narthex to be picked up with next year's calendar and dues envelopes.- thank you



NATIONS SHALL WALK BY YOUR LIGHT

“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.’ ” These words are joyous news for those through the ages who worship Christ, but bad news to those who, like Herod, selfishly guard their own prominence and kingship. “Herod called the magi secretly . . .” Those who act in secret often have evil motives,

and, like Herod, are full of lies—“. . . that I too may go and do him homage.” Herod has no such intent, but plans to murder the Christ child and, he thinks, protect his own rule. Evil is always at work in the world, but God protects the innocent, in this case sending the magi home by a different route rather than back to Herod.

YOUR HEART SHALL THROB AND OVERFLOW

The magi “were overjoyed at seeing the star.” So many of the words of Isaiah positively glow at the prophecy of the shining light of Israel, Jesus. “Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance . . . Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow.”

Christmas day, with all of its light and glory, has passed, and yet we forget that the Christmas season continues until tomorrow. The glory of the Lord continues to shine and manifest the glory to all nations. We who are members of these nations of the earth should continue to celebrate and rejoice at the coming of the Lord into our lives. We are indeed the Gentiles who have come to worship Christ, and to be saved by his glorious appearance. Blessed be the God who reaches out to us in mercy and love, and may the joy of his coming fill our hearts forever.

Today’s Readings: Is 60:1–6; Ps 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Eph 3:2–3a, 5–6; Mt 2:1–12

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January 7, 2018 • The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah, probably the greatest of the prophets, prophesies extensively on the coming of the savior, the Messiah. His prophecies are so specific it is hard not to believe that he is telling a contemporary story rather than proclaiming the future far in advance.

“Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.” This proclamation about the coming of the

Gentiles and all nations to worship the Lord is wonderful news indeed, for it presages our own worship of Jesus the Christ.

Saint Paul says that “the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.” We who are Gentiles can rejoice in our loving acceptance by our God.

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