

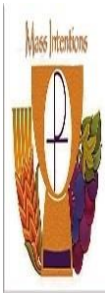
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



THIS WEEKEND

Saturday January 4th
4 pm + Family Souls
 Intention of the People

Sunday January 6th
9 am + Dorota Ogonowska &
 + Teresa Piatrowski
11 am + Anako Family Souls



SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6
Psalm 72: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."
Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6
Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12



Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem. He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. All Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation.

“Arise, shine, for your light has come!” The opening words of the first reading give us a command we are often hesitant to follow: what if people think we are arrogant? But we are “sharers in the promise” of Jesus, and we have so much good news to share. Like the Magi, who make an extraordinary trip to pay homage to the newborn Christ, we are invited to be the heralds of the Good News, to proclaim that Jesus is born and there is freedom in Him who lived and loved, died and rose for us. Let yourselves be overwhelmed with joy ~ from time to time, if you can’t manage it constantly ~ and dare to invite others in.

Our light has come. Let it shine!

PARISH COMMUNITY LADIES OF THE PARISH

The January meeting for the Ladies is scheduled for Monday January 20th at 1:00 pm in the Hall. New members are always welcome.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The committee for the Christmas Hampers program would like to thank the parish community for their continued support. It made this year’s campaign *the* most successful one yet! The five families we helped with our Christmas Hampers were overwhelmed with the generosity shown to them by strangers. Your kindness brought the love of Christ to our neighbours in need during the Christmas season. Money raised was used to purchase food for Christmas Day and food gift cards. Thank you to Father and his elf for delivering the hampers to the grateful families. And also,

special thanks to Mrs. Lorna Kelly who continues to be our “Head Elf” busy preparing, wrapping (when needed), shopping and organizing the family’s gifts for delivery.

THANK YOU MRS. KELLY!

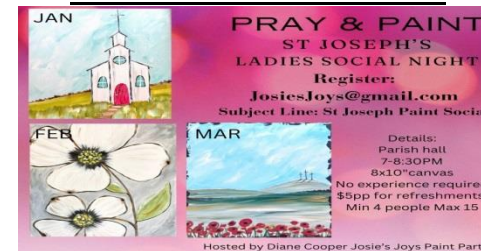
OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxed envelopes are available for 2025 for your use at the back of the church. Please put your name and address on the first few for January. You will receive an income tax receipt at the end of the year or simply opt for “no receipt”, which also can be arranged. Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS TREES

This Sunday after Mass, we will be taking down the trees and putting away the decorations for another year. If you can spare a little time, we would appreciate your help. Thank you in advance. Also, *special thanks to* Mrs. Sheila Adams who prepared all the **beautiful** fresh flower arrangements on the Altar.

LADIES SOCIAL NIGHT



All Ladies of the parish are invited to the first of three social evenings of painting together ~ along with refreshments. Our Host will be Diane Cooper and the first night is Tuesday, January 14th, 2025

@ 6:30 pm ~ 8:00 pm, downstairs in the parish hall (weather permitting). No experience required and a \$5.00 donation is requested. If you would like to attend, please register ASAP with Diane by contacting her at JosiesJoys@gmail.com or you may also contact the parish office. Please see bulletin boards for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS

** living or + deceased.

January	Time	Mass for
Tuesday 7 th	6:00 pm	** Good health of Natty
Wednesday 8 th	6:00 pm	+ Patrick Drakes
Thursday 9 th	9:15 am	** Jho Nazal
Friday 10 th	9:15 am	+ Rolando I. Queypuep
Saturday 11 th	4:00 pm	** Intention of People
Sunday 12 th	9:00 am	+ Family Souls
	11:00 am	+ Helena Chojna

PRAY FOR THE SICK, HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED & FOR THOSE IN NEED

Jean Adams, Lt. (N) Anthony Adams, Angela Hoffbauer, Louise Kozolowski, Brock MacDonald, Mary Porter, Joanne & Rick Scrannage, Ralph Slaney.

DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Christmas Eve & Day \$2,036.75
 Hall Rental 150.00
 Sunday Dec.29th 1,824.30

Thanks to all who are donating online or electronically and Thank you for your kind & generous donation!