

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday & Saturday: 9 am
Tuesday through Friday: 7:30 am
Wednesday: 7 pm (Misa en Español)

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 pm (Eng) - 6 pm (Spa) Vigil Mass
6 & 8 pm (Neocatechumenal Communities)

Sunday: 7:00 am - 8:30 am - 10:30 am
12:30 pm & 6:00 pm (Español)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Call the rectory at least six months before the wedding.

CONFESSIONS

By appointment only
Call (781) 629-9386

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursday: 12 noon to 6:00 pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Home and Hospital visits by the priests upon request.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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Rectory Address:
119 Beach Revere, MA 02151

Rectory Hours:

Monday through Friday, 9 am to 2:30 pm

Closed for lunch: 12 pm to 1 pm

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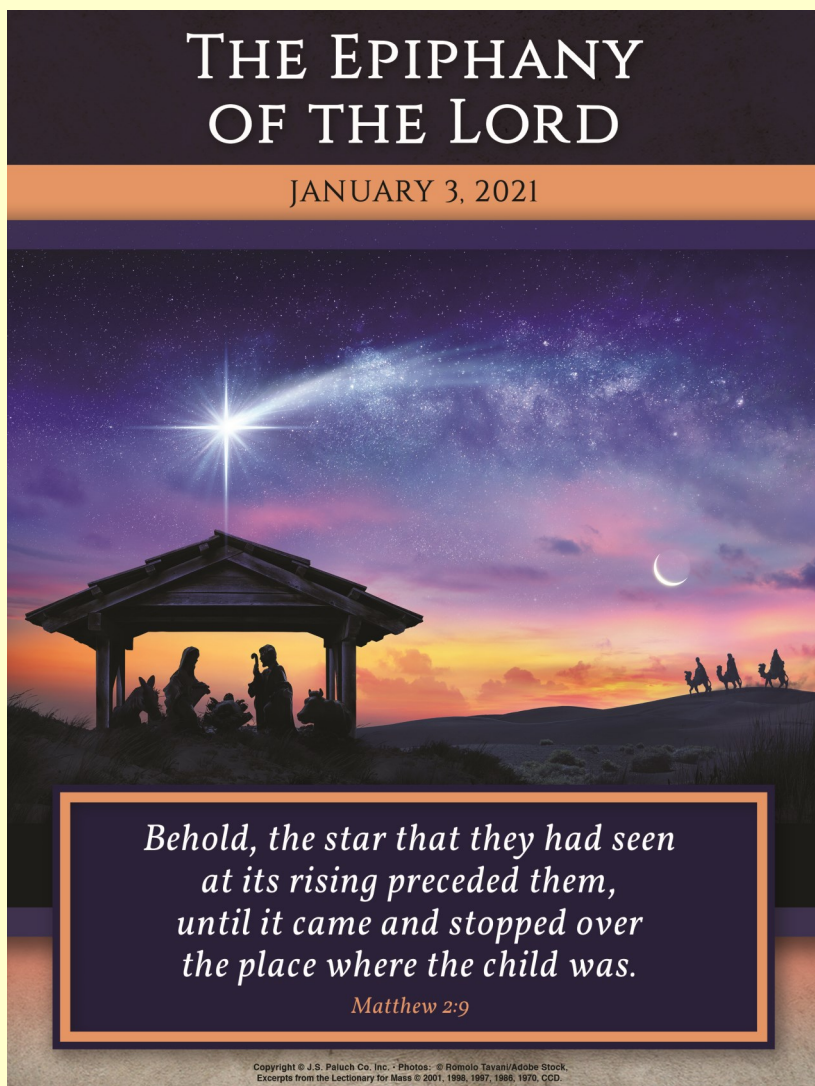
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January 3rd 2021

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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JANUARY 3, 2021



*Behold, the star that they had seen
at its rising preceded them,
until it came and stopped over
the place where the child was.*

Matthew 2:9

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.
— Psalm 72:11

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK & READINGS



January 2nd, Saturday St. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

9:00 am -

4:00 pm -

6:00 pm -

January 3rd, Sunday Epiphany of the Lord

7:00 am -

8:30 am -

10:30 am **Community Mass**

Larry+Cecile Salters, Joaquin Guillermo & Rosa Maria Mejia Echeverry

12:30 pm -

6:00 pm Santos Garmenda & Maria Irene Amaya

January 4th, Monday St. Elizabeth Seton

9:00 am Filippo Viola

January 5th, Tuesday St. John Neumann

7:30 am Maria-Phero-Giuse-Tam Nguyen & VuFam

January 6th, Wednesday

7:30 am Francisco Angel Lopez

7:00 pm Ana Margarita Hernandez

January 7th, Thursday

7:30 pm Claudino+Rosana Lopez Vanegas

January 8th, Friday

7:30 am Giovanni Zigrino

January 9th, Saturday

9:00 am Josephine Curcio

4:00 pm -

6:00 pm Enriqueta Garmendia

January 10th, Baptism of the Lord

7:00 am -

8:30 am Claire, Francis, Billy Murphy

10:30 am **Community Mass**

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12:30 pm -

6:00 pm -

Memorials for January 2021

Altar Wine: Gerald Lepore & deceased members of Lepore Family.

Altar Candles: -

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: 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

TODAY'S READINGS

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

Psalms — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

PARISH STAFF

Parish Administrator: Rev. Jorge Daniel Lazo Pujada

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Parish Secretary: Giulio Costa, 781-289-0735

Religious Workers: Giulio & Rachele Costa

Feast of faith

PROMISE FULFILLED

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorials for 2021

If you wish to have a loved one remembered in a particular month of the year 2021, please call the Parish Secretary now.

ANNIVERSARY & MEMORIAL MASSES FOR January, February, March 2021

We are booking Anniversary Masses for those months. Please call the Parish Secretary or come to the Rectory.

Also, there are many Memorials available for Altar Bread & Wine, Missalettes, Music Books and Candles.

Happy New Year 2021



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**EVERY
THURSDAY**

FROM

12:00 pm TO 6:00 pm

“Do you realize that Jesus is there in the Blessed Sacrament expressly for you, for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart.”

St Therese of Lisieux



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.”

MATTHEW 2:1-2



We Three Kings from Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar

Dear Parishioners: we have heard news from the three Kings, the Wise men!

They are on their Journey to Bethlehem following the star, bearing gifts for the King of Kings.

They have told us they are trying to make a stop in our parish along their journey to meet with the children of Immaculate Conception Parish.

Sun. Jan. 3rd, 2021 at 10:30am & 12:30pm

Fr. Daniel, Fr. Eric

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Notification for those attending Sunday Masses

Dear Parishioners,

The Archdiocese of Boston is requiring that each person who attends a Sunday Mass should be given the opportunity to put their name and contact information on a list to be notified if there is a positive Covid-19 test of a person who also attended that Mass. Please remember to update your entries every week.

God Bless you.

Fr. Jorge Daniel Lazo

OFFERTORY

DECEMBER 27, 2020

Parish support: \$ 7,975.45

**Thank you for your continued support
May God bless your generosity**

Online giving is also available.

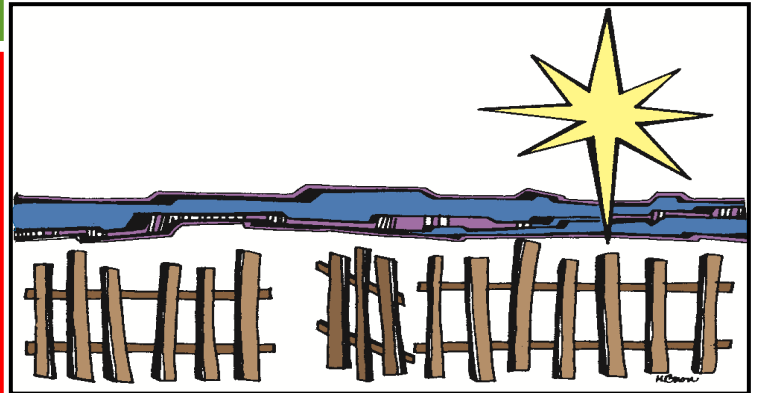
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THE HOLY STAR

O Father, may that holy star
Grow every year more bright
And send its glorious beams afar
To fill the world with light.



BABY BOTTLES DRIVE FOR A WOMAN'S CONCERN

We will be holding our annual drive from this weekend (Nov. 28-29) to January 3rd, 2021. We ask you to save your change or cash for one month and bring it in on Jan. 2nd or 3rd. The money will help women to choose life just as Mary did in her "crisis" pregnancy.

A great way to journey through advent and give Jesus a special gift for His birthday.

Due to the pandemic we will not be giving out baby bottles, there will be a special basket at the church entrances for your donations as well as envelopes to use for cash and checks.

Realizaremos nuestra campaña anual desde este fin de semana (28-29 de noviembre) hasta el 3 de enero de 2021. Le pedimos que guarde su cambio o efectivo durante un mes y lo traiga el 2 o 3 de enero. El dinero ayudará a las mujeres a elegir la vida tal como lo hizo María en su embarazo de "crisis". Una excelente manera de viajar a través del Adviento y darle a Jesús un regalo especial para Su cumpleaños. Debido a la pandemia, no entregaremos biberones, habrá una canasta especial en las entradas de la iglesia para sus donaciones, así como sobres para usar en efectivo y cheques.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Liturgy of Emmanuel

The assembly has gathered from near and far, on foot, by bus, by car, by subway, singly and by twos and threes: single people, couples, families. Now that movement is ritualized and made visible in the liturgy's entrance procession.

We are not alone on this journey; Christ is with us. The procession is led by the cross, with the image of Christ upon it. Candles, signs of a living presence, are carried around the cross. Candles also accompany the Book of the Gospels, another sign of Emmanuel, God-with-us. The priest presider is likewise a sign of Christ's presence in our assembly; he will act *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ, who presides at every Eucharist.

As the procession begins, we stand and sing together in our first act as a community. The joining of our voices begins to turn many into one. The songs we sing range from ancient chants to contemporary hymns, but they have the same purpose, to foster our unity and turn our thoughts to the mysteries we gather to celebrate. We may feel that we can't sing well, but "Christ always invites us to enter into song, to rise above our own preoccupations, and to give our entire selves to the hymn of his Paschal Sacrifice" (USCCB, *Sing to the Lord*, 14).

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOSPEL REFLECTION

BY POPE FRANCIS



Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning and happy Feast Day!

Today, the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, the Gospel (cf. *Mt* 2:1-12) presents us with three attitudes with which Christ Jesus' coming and his manifestation to the world were welcomed. The first attitude: *searching, diligent searching*; the second: *indifference*; the third: *fear*. Diligent searching: The Magi do not hesitate to set out on a journey to seek the Messiah. Arriving in Jerusalem, they ask: "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him" (v. 2). They made a long journey and now with great care, they attempt to locate where the newborn King can be found. In Jerusalem, they turn to King Herod, who asks the high priests and the scribes to discover the place where the Messiah was to be born.

This diligent searching of the Magi contrasts with the second attitude: the *indifference* of the high priests and the scribes. These people are very complacent. They know the Scriptures and are able to give the correct answer on the birthplace: "in Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet" (v. 5); they know, but they do not go out of their way to visit the Messiah. And Bethlehem is a few kilometres away, but they don't budge. Even more negative is the third attitude, that of Herod: fear. He *is afraid* that that Child will take away his power. He summons the Magi and has them tell him when the star appeared to them and he sends them to Bethlehem saying: "Go and search diligently for the child and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him" (v. 8). In reality, Herod does not want to go to worship Jesus; Herod wants to know where the child is — not to adore Him — but to eliminate Him, because he considers Him a rival. And listen carefully: fear always leads to hypocrisy. Hypocrites are like this because their hearts are filled with fear.

These are the three attitudes that we find in the Gospel: *the diligent searching of the Magi; the indifference of the high priests and the scribes, of those familiar with theology; and the fear of Herod*. And we too can think and choose which of the three to assume. Do I wish to diligently search for Jesus? "But Jesus means nothing to me... I have peace of mind..." Or, do I fear Jesus and want to eliminate him from my heart? Selfishness can lead us to consider Jesus' coming into our life as a threat. Thus we try to suppress or to silence Jesus' message. When we follow human ambitions, the most comfortable prospects, tendencies toward evil, Jesus is perceived as an obstacle.

On the other hand, the temptation of indifference is also always present. Even though we know that Jesus is the Saviour — ours, of us all — we prefer to live as if he were not: instead of behaving in coherence with our own Christian faith, we follow worldly principles that entice us to satisfy tendencies toward arrogance, toward thirsting for power, toward riches. We are instead called to follow the example of the Magi: to be *diligent in searching*, prepared to go out of our way to encounter Jesus in our lives. Seeking him in order to adore him, to acknowledge that he is our Lord, the One who reveals the true path to be followed. If we have this attitude, Jesus truly saves us, and we can live a fine life; we can grow in faith, in hope, in charity toward God and toward our brothers and sisters.

Let us invoke the intercession of Mary Most Holy, star of pilgrim humankind throughout time. With her maternal help, may every person come to Christ, Light of Truth, and may the world advance along the path of justice and peace.

REFLEXION DEL EVANGELIO

POR PAPA FRANCISCO

Queridos hermanos y hermanas: ¡buenos días y feliz fiesta!

Hoy, fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor, el Evangelio (cf. *Mateo* 2, 1-12) nos presenta tres actitudes con las cuales ha sido acogida la venida de Jesucristo y su manifestación al mundo. La primera actitud: *búsqueda, búsqueda atenta*; la segunda: *indiferencia*; la tercera: *miedo*. Búsqueda atenta: Los Magos no dudan en ponerse en camino para buscar al Mesías. Llegados a Jerusalén preguntan: «¿Dónde está el Rey de los judíos que ha nacido? Pues vimos su estrella en el Oriente y hemos venido a adorarlo» (v. 2). Han hecho un largo viaje y ahora con gran atención tratan de identificar dónde se pueda encontrar al Rey recién nacido. En Jerusalén se dirigen al rey Herodes, el cual pide a los sumos sacerdotes y a los escribas que se informen sobre el lugar en el que debía nacer el Mesías.

A esta búsqueda atenta de los Magos, se opone la segunda actitud: la *indiferencia* de los sumos sacerdotes y de los escribas. Estos eran muy cómodos. Conocen las Escrituras y son capaces de dar la respuesta adecuada al lugar del nacimiento: «En Belén de Judea, porque así está escrito por medio del profeta»; saben, pero no se incomodan para ir a buscar al Mesías. Y Belén está a pocos kilómetros, pero ellos no se mueven. Todavía más negativa es la tercera actitud, la de Herodes: el *miedo*. El tiene miedo de que ese Niño le quite el poder. Llama a los Magos y hace que le digan cuándo había aparecido su estrella, y les envía a Belén diciendo: «Id e indagad [...] sobre ese niño; y cuando le encontréis, comunicádmelo, para ir también yo a adorarlo» (vv. 7-8). En realidad, Herodes no quería ir a adorar a Jesús; Herodes quiere saber dónde se encuentra el niño no para adorarlo, sino para eliminarlo, porque lo considera un rival. Y mirad bien: el miedo lleva siempre a la hipocresía. Los hipócritas son así porque tienen miedo en el corazón.

Estas son las tres actitudes que encontramos en el Evangelio: *búsqueda atenta* de los Magos, *indiferencia* de los sumos sacerdotes, de los escribas, de esos que conocían la teología; y *miedo*, de Herodes. Y también nosotros podemos pensar y elegir: ¿cuál de las tres asumir? ¿Yo quiero ir con atención donde Jesús? «Pero a mí Jesús no me dice nada... estoy tranquilo...». ¿O tengo miedo de Jesús y en mi corazón quisiera echarlo? El egoísmo puede llevar a considerar la venida de Jesús en la propia vida como una amenaza. Entonces se trata de suprimir o de callar el mensaje de Jesús. Cuando se siguen las ambiciones humanas, las perspectivas más cómodas, las inclinaciones del mal, Jesús es considerado como un obstáculo.

Por otro parte, está siempre presente también la tentación de la *indiferencia*. Aun sabiendo que Jesús es el Salvador —nuestro, de todos nosotros—, se prefiere vivir como si no lo fuera: en vez de comportarse con coherencia en la propia fe cristiana, se siguen los principios del mundo, que inducen a satisfacer las inclinaciones a la prepotencia, a la sed de poder, a las riquezas. Sin embargo estamos llamados a seguir el ejemplo de los Magos: estar atentos en la búsqueda, estar preparados para incomodarnos para encontrar a Jesús en nuestra vida. Buscarlo para adorarlo, para reconocer que Él es nuestro Señor, Aquel que indica el verdadero camino para seguir. Si tenemos esta actitud, Jesús realmente nos salva, y nosotros podemos vivir una vida bella, podemos crecer en la fe, en la esperanza, en la caridad hacia Dios y hacia nuestros hermanos. Invocamos la intercesión de María Santísima, estrella de la humanidad peregrina en el tiempo. Que con su ayuda materna, pueda cada hombre llegar a Cristo, Luz de verdad, y el mundo progrese sobre el camino de la justicia y de la paz.

NOTICIAS Y ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Sal 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4, 7-8; Mc 6:34-44
Miércoles: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 10, 12-13; Mc 6:45-52
Jueves: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Sal 72 (71): 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lc 4:14-22a
Viernes: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Lc 5:12-16
Sábado: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Domingo: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 o Is 55:1-11; Sal 29 (28):14,3 ,9 -10 o Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Hch 10:34-38 o 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mc 1:7-11

FIESTA DE LA FE

Una acción comunitaria

En nuestra Iglesia católica hay espacio para todo. No obstante, cuando se trata de la vida litúrgica de la Iglesia, no hay espacio para la devoción personal, pues no es el momento, sino para la oración comunitaria. La Constitución sobre la Sagrada Liturgia nos recuerda que las acciones litúrgicas no son acciones privadas, sino celebraciones de toda la Iglesia. Por esa misma razón, las acciones y gestos de la liturgia, pertenecen a la comunidad porque son la obra de la comunidad misma, animada y convocada por el Espíritu Santo; aun así, el Espíritu Santo no anula la individualidad de cada miembro de la asamblea, que participa no a título propio sino como parte activa de una comunidad de bautizados que se llama Iglesia y que, domingo a domingo se reúne para celebrar el Reino de Dios por adelantado, para alabar y dar gracias a Dios por habernos dado a Jesucristo; para celebrar la pasión, muerte y resurrección de Cristo en comunión con toda la Iglesia y con el ropaje de la cultura a la que se pertenece y en la cual se ha asumido el Evangelio.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Levántate y brilla, Jerusalén! La gloria del Señor amaneció sobre ti (Isaías 60:1-6).

Salmo — Que te adoren, Señor, todos los pueblos (Salmo 72 [71]).

Segunda lectura — El misterio de que los gentiles son coherederos, socios en la promesa en Jesucristo, se ha dado a conocer a los hombres (Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Evangelio — Magos del oriente llegaron, diciendo: “¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?” (Mateo 2:1-12).



“Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento”

Todos los jueves
12:00 pm a 6:00 pm
en la Iglesia

"Quien quiera algo que no sea Cristo, no sabe lo que quiere; quien pida algo que no sea Cristo, no sabe lo que pide; quien no trabaje por Cristo, no sabe lo que hace".

San Felipe Neri

Estimados parroquianos: ¡hemos escuchado noticias de los Reyes Magos!

Están en su viaje a Belén siguiendo la estrella, llevando regalos para el Rey de Reyes.

Nos han dicho que están tratando de hacer una parada en nuestra parroquia a lo largo de su viaje para reunirse con los niños de la Inmaculada Concepción.

Dom. 3 de enero de 2021 a las 10:30 am y 12:30 pm

P. Daniel, P. Eric

COMUNICADO IMPORTANTE

Por favor los invitamos a continuar a respetar las medidas necesarias: distancia social, mascararas. Les rogamos también se registren a nuestra parroquia o llenar el formulario de participación de la misa cada domingo con información para comunicarse con usted en caso de una posible exposición con una persona contagiada con Codvid-19.

Pueden también usar el código QR a su derecha para registrarse. Tome una foto y lo llevara a la pagina indicada.



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