

January 2, 2022

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday  
9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday  
8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00pm

Monday– Friday  
8:00am

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday  
4:15pm-5:15pm  
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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 60:1-6**

Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.

**SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 3:2-3a, 5-6**

Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12**

Astrologers from the east came looking for the newborn king of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell him where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

<b>Monday</b>	1 Jn 3:22–4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Jn 4:19–5:4; Lk 4:14-22
<b>Friday</b>	1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

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## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with your parish. Registration forms are available on our website: [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org), in the foyer or by request from the parish office. Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket or the 24-hour drop box outside the parish office.

New parishioners are invited to attend our coffee reception after Mass to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if you are relocating so we can update our records.

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** The sacrament joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic community. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings at 9:45am or by appointment, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process.

**CONFIRMATION:** "Through the sacrament of confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." Confirmation is offered to adults through the RCIA process, and annually for our eighth-grade students. As with the other sacraments of initiation, preparation is involved.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples should contact the parish office as soon as possible or at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for preparation.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:** For those who are interested in finding out more information about the Catholic faith and/or interested in becoming Catholic. Please call the parish office.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Our parish continues Christ's ministry of making whole the members of our community who suffer physical or emotional ills with Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

## FLOCKNOTES



Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Sign up for email messages at <https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/everyone> or on our website – [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org). Please be sure to add [mail@flocknote.com](mailto:mail@flocknote.com) to your address book or safe sender list to ensure delivery.

## GIVE THE GIFT OF SERVICE

Catholic Charities DC encourages you to give back by taking advantage of a variety of volunteer opportunities available in Washington, DC and southern Maryland. For more information on volunteering with Catholic Charities, or to register to volunteer, visit [catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer](http://catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer).



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Feast of Epiphany is the manifestation of the Lord Jesus to the entire world. Sometimes we might narrow our vision and only see our own little vision of the world. We know that God the Father is God of all and all people fall under His love. One of the great challenges we face is to broaden our perspective and not to be solely focused on ourselves, our family, our community, or on our country. God is God of all and Jesus is the savior of all creation. When the Magi came seeking the newborn king of the Jews, they knew he was for all people. As we strive to open our lives and see the presence of Jesus may we become aware of how He lives in us as well as others. May the glory of God be manifest in who we are and in what we say and do. May this truly be the blessing that comes to us in the New Year.



As you may have noticed the new entrance off the rear parking lot is now open. Sorry to say the elevator is not in service. There are minor issues that need to be addressed. We have an Occupancy Permit and have been assured that by the end of January we should be able to have access to all levels of our facility. Again, thank you to all who have contributed to make this addition a reality.

God's Peace

Fr. Mike

## FEEL THE DESIRE TO PRAY FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS?

Come meet devout Catholics who dedicate part of each day praying for vocations to the Holy Priesthood and consecrated religious life.

Meet members of the Downtown Washington (St. Junipero) Serra Club at one of their up-coming meetings.

**January 15, 2022**

Church of the Annunciation

3810 Massachusetts Ave., NW

9:00 a.m. Mass

Meeting will follow in the parish office conference room

Speaker: TBA

Questions? Contact Alice Middleton, President, Downtown Washington Serra Club. Her email is: [cathcap@aol.com](mailto:cathcap@aol.com)

## A MILLION ROSARIES

Every prayer counts! Please join the Little Sisters of the Poor in praying one million Rosaries to conquer the coronavirus pandemic. Sign up for the one million Rosary campaign at <http://littlesistersofthepoor.org>.



## THIS WEEK ...

**Sunday, January 2**

CLOW 10:00am (PC)

**Wednesday, January 5**

Religious Education (School)

**Thursday, January 6**

Contemplative Prayer

6:20pm (Zoom)

**Saturday, January 8**

Mass 9:00am (Church)

Confession

4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)

Mass 5:30pm (Church)



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

### POOR BOX

Donations for the month of January will benefit the House of Ruth which assists women, children and families in greatest need and very limited resources build safe and stable lives.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK



## ST. JOHN NEUMANN

## Feast Day – January 5

1181-1860

A native of Bohemia, John entered the seminary and was nearing ordination when he departed for the United States. He joined the Redemptorists and served as a priest in New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania. In 1852 he was named the fourth bishop of Philadelphia. He founded more than 50 churches and greatly expanded Catholic education. John had a fondness for immigrants and knew six languages. His pastoral zeal was evident up to his last moments of life. He collapsed and died in the street at age 48.

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, January 2**– *The Epiphany of the Lord*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	SOSJ	Anthony Girata	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Vocations	Intentions

**Monday, January 3**– *The Most Holy Name of Jesus*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Michael Sheehan	In Memory
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**Tuesday, January 4**– *Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
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**Wednesday, January 5**– *Saint John Neumann, Bishop*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Sister Virginia Dunn	In Memory
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**Thursday, January 6**– *Saint André Bessette, Religious*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Jack Boorman	In Memory
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**Friday, January 7**– *Saint Raymond Penyafort, Priest*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Tom Rukavina	In Memory
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**Saturday, January 8**– *Christmas Weekday*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Ruey Dempsey	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	SOSJ	The Rivers Family	Intentions

**Sunday, January 9**– *The Baptism of the Lord*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	Oberle	William & Jeanne Cassidy	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Visnya Sokcic	In Memory

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen







**Nchang Azefor**  
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Felipe Victorino

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Sotemaria Cajandig  
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Chavim Abegail Oh  
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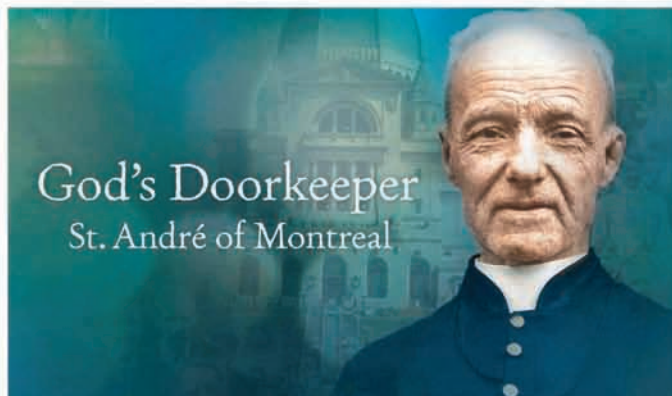
PICK OF THE WEEK

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WATCH

## GOD'S DOORKEEPER: ST. ANDRÉ OF MONTREAL

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



## FORMED NOW! HOW TO PRAY

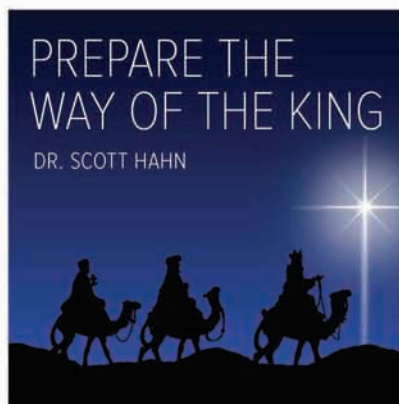
Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth Klein as they discuss ways to kickstart your prayer life this year!

LEARN

LISTEN

## PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

As we celebrate the Epiphany, Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!



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# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today

### The Epiphany of the Lord | Matthew 2: 1-12

The Magi followed the star to where Jesus was and offered Him fine, expensive gifts. "And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way." *Matthew 2: 12*

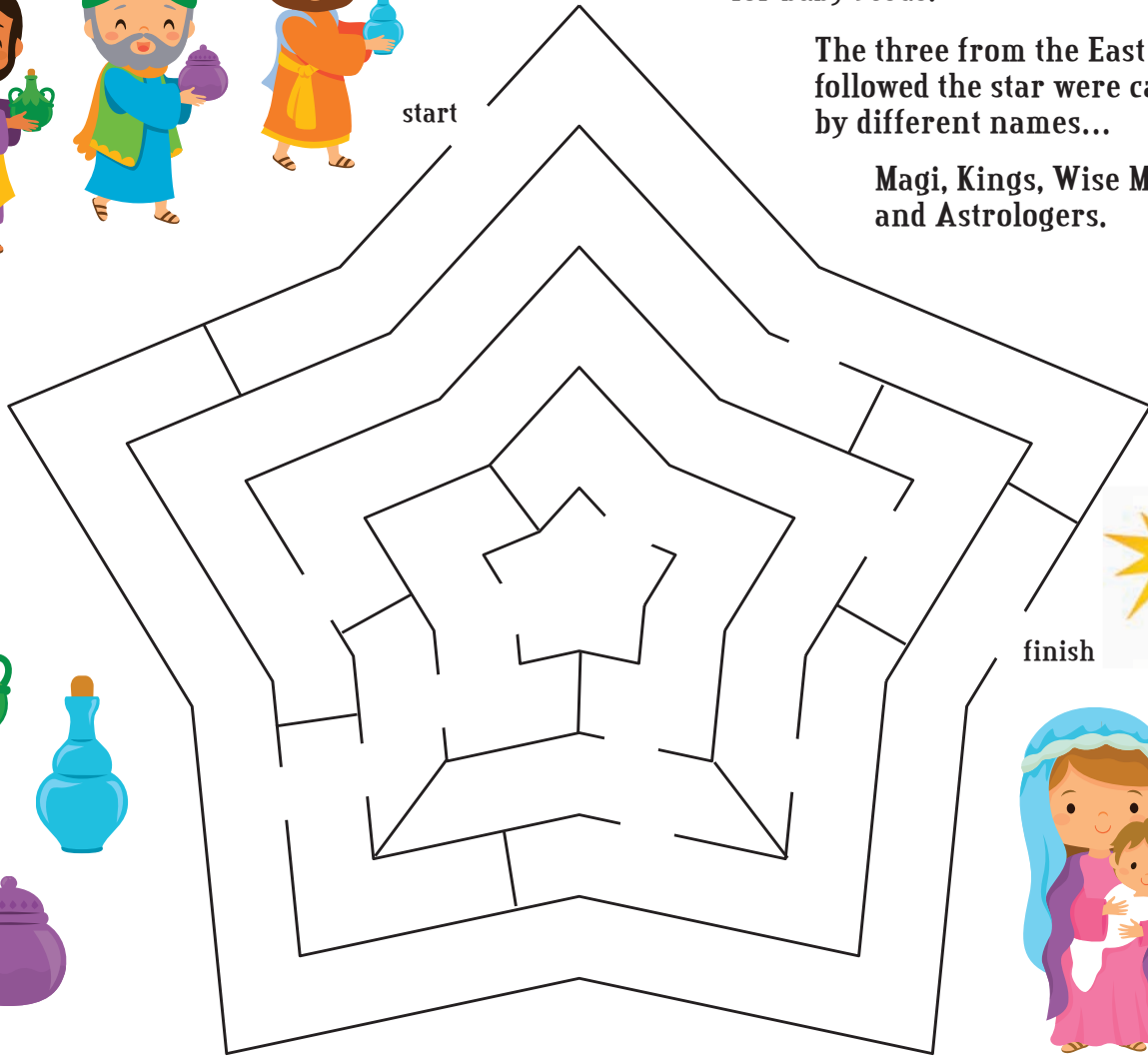
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Follow the Wise Men as they search for baby Jesus.

The three from the East who followed the star were called by different names...

**Magi, Kings, Wise Men and Astrologers.**



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# VISIT OF THE MAGI

Do you know what the gifts were? Unscramble the words to find out...

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