



# ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



**JANUARY 2, 2022**



## THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b*

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# FROM THE PASTOR...

January 2, 2022

Merry Christmas! I hope all of you are enjoying some family time and rest after another crazy year. May the infant Jesus grant all of us the peace and warmth of His presence this Christmas season. Might I encourage you to leave at least some of your Christmas decorations up at least for the twelve days of Christmas or the Baptism of the Lord (January 9) which marks the liturgical end of the Christmas season?

This weekend we have one of my favorite celebrations, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word epiphany is Greek and means ‘manifestation’ when Jesus is revealed as the Son of God and Savior of the whole world, worthy of our faith, love, and worship. The three wise men/kings represent all the nations, each one traditionally portrayed as from the known continents at the time, Africa, Asia, and Europe, although the original magi were from Persia.

Of course, we know that the magi were astrologers who came upon a wondrous star that led them to the infant Christ. They had probably heard the prophecies in the Old Testament from their Jewish neighbors to the west that God would send a Messiah king, a savior and so they began their journey. There are different theories as to what the star of Bethlehem was: a unique constellation of planets and stars that predicted royalty or was it a miraculous portent that could not have been foreseen until it occurred? However it was experienced and how it guided the magi, the star of Bethlehem would not have helped them if they were not open to being guided...they were on the lookout!

God can also send us signs of His guidance and love through dreams like He did with the magi, warning them to return to their homeland by another way, avoiding the murderous Herod. Speaking of signs from God, I wanted to share with you a very encouraging story my mother recently told me. As you may know, my father died on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> and about three weeks later my mom had a vivid, consoling dream about him.

In the dream, my mother and my younger sister were cooking in the kitchen and dad walked in as a young healthy man in his 30’s. He was his usual smiling and happy self. They were very excited to see him, and my mom tried to hug him and asked if he could stay to which he said: “No, I can’t stay.” Then she asked him how long had he been in purgatory to which he responded: “About 15 minutes.” She made the point of saying that he spoke in his own voice, the way he normally did. I hope you find this story as encouraging as we do, the prayers and Masses offered for the dead aren’t wasted. Thank you for all of yours on behalf of my mother and the family.

The Lord sends us the signs and consolations that we need when we need them, our job is to try and remain open and trusting in Christ’s promises and guidance on our pilgrim journey. May we all be strengthened and consoled by Jesus’ sacrificial love for us this Christmas season so that we might also be sources of peace and encouragement to those around us.

In Christ,  
Fr. Mike





## LADIES OF THE PARISH - SAVE THE DATE

Plan to join us for the 9:00 a.m. Mass on February 13 and then join us for hospitality in the school auditorium afterwards.



**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
**St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Holy Name Society / Men's Club**  
**Championship Sunday Party**  
**Sunday, January 30, 2022**



## SHORT TERM HELP WANTED IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We are in need of a **third grade catechist** for classes on **January 9 & January 23**. If you are able to help please contact Kathleen Driscoll at the parish office: 773 763-8228.

## Food Pantry Update

The Parish Food Pantry is now operating out of its new location on our main campus. It is in the lower level of our gym building at 5859 N. Moody. Entrance is off the parking lot behind the church. The food pantry is open for patrons on **Tuesdays between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.**

The St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Food Pantry is a ministry of the parish with the objective, for those who serve and are served, to experience the unconditional love of Christ. It is through experiences like this that we can all grow in our relationship with God and know that we are loved. It is also our hope that as we continue to unify our "new" parish, that this ministry will be a means to enhance our relationships with our fellow parishioners as we work together in performing the corporal work of mercy of feeding the poor.

Love & Peace,  
Shannon and Jerry Nelson  
Food Pantry Managers

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(Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)

On January 18 members of our St. Vincent de Paul society came out to the Jefferson Park Transit Center to share the gifts of food, clothing, and Christmas cheer with our Friends in Need.

Special thanks to Michael Avella & Family and Murray Bros. Caddyshack for providing the delicious biscuits and gravy. Thank you to Louis G Food Pantry organization for providing hats, gloves, and gift cards. Thank you to Monica Dillon of the Chicago NWS Homeless Outreach Volunteers for partnering with us to make this possible. Thank you to Lindsey LaPointe, Chicago's 19th district State Representative, for participating in and supporting the event.

Thank you to all our volunteers: Dave and Ruth McNaughton, Deacon Greg Bzdon, Anthony and Susie Belcastro, Joe and Delia O'Connor, Mary Klug, Mary Ellen Gold, Ginger Anderson, Pat Holden, Kathy O'Sullivan, June Fredlund, Rich Muench, and Len Strauch.



Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

**In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so that comfort and peace can again be given to a newborn child.**

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Children under 5 Free

Tickets available from any scout.

A vibrant, retro-style graphic for "90s Casino Night 2022". It features a purple and blue grid background with colorful lightning bolts. At the top is a cassette tape labeled "ST ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY". The word "90s" is written in large, bubbly, purple letters. Below it, "CASINO NIGHT 2022" is written in a white, stylized font. At the bottom, a green banner reads "JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF GAMES, PRIZES, FOOD & DRINKS TO SUPPORT THE AMAZING STAFF AND STUDENTS OF ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY SCHOOL".

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**PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 3. Normal office hours will resume Tuesday, January 4.





# RELIGIOUS ED

LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE! - POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

## RE CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND  
NO CLASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9TH  
CLASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16TH  
NO CLASS



## *The Epiphany of Our Lord*

The Feast of the Epiphany, also known as Twelfth Night, celebrates the day the Three Wise Men arrived from the east to worship the Christ Child and bring Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The feast actually falls on January 6th, however, in the United States, it is celebrated on the Sunday between January 2nd and 8th.

On the Feast of the Epiphany, it is tradition to bless the home. Families do this to remember the hospitality of the Holy Family towards the Wise Men as well as to ask God's protection of their house and all who enter it throughout the new year.

## *House Blessing*

- Make the Sign of the Cross.
- Read an Epiphany Scripture passage. (such as Matthew 2:1-12)
- Pray: "Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen." (from usccb.org)
- Chalk the door, door frame, or plaque with 20+C+M+B+21
- Pray the Our Father.
- Sing an Epiphany Song. (such as O Come All Ye Faithful)
- Make the Sign of the Cross.

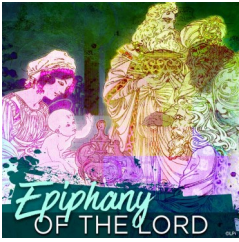


# ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity School

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Kindergarten has been enjoying various activities from painting, building during free time, and making pictures for their friends and families. They are also working with their sixth grader reading buddies. They are reading Bob books and practicing their high-frequency words with them. The sixth grade and kindergartens had a blast!





## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word epiphany can be traced back to the Greek language and can mean: appearance, manifestation or to show. And that relates to what we are celebrating today - Jesus' appearance or manifestation to the entire world.

Matthew's Gospel is the only narrative we have of this story in the Bible. In it, we hear that "magi" arrived 'from the East' to pay Jesus homage. These magi or astrologers serve to represent the Gentiles.

Jesus was first revealed to the shepherds at His birth. They were Jewish. Jesus' manifestation to the magi is an indication that Jesus came for all - not only the Jews.

This holiday was, for many years, celebrated on January 6 (the twelfth day of Christmas). Since Vatican II we celebrate it on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. In many countries of the world it is a holy day of obligation.

Over the centuries, legends and myths have developed about the magi. For example, they are referred to as kings, rather than star-gazers or astrologers. In the eighth century names were ascribed to them: Balthasar, Melchior, and Gaspar. According to Western church tradition, Balthasar is often represented as a king of Arabia or sometimes Ethiopia, Melchior as a king of Persia, and Gaspar as a king of India. These places serve to remind us that Jesus came for people who lived far beyond His birthplace in Bethlehem of Judea.

Nowhere in Matthew's account is the number of visitors listed as three. That probably is based on the three gifts (gold, frankincense, and myrrh) that were presented to the Christ-child. There are as many as twelve wise men visitors mentioned in some Eastern traditions!

Scripture scholars have come to place meaning behind the three gifts that Jesus received. Gold was given because it was worthy of a king. Frankincense was given because is an incense that one might use to honor a god. And myrrh, which was an ointment used to prepare a body for burial, was a precursor to Jesus' death. And today we give gifts to each other just as Jesus was given gifts by the visitors from the east.

I would like to end by showing you the one citation the Catechism of the Catholic Church has to say about the Epiphany:

"The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that "the full number of the nations" now takes its "place in the family of the patriarchs", and (is made "worthy of the heritage of Israel")." - #528

The Epiphany helps us understand the Incarnation of Christ. It helps to reveal to us the fact that He came to save everyone: rich and poor, Gentile and Jew.

Let us not forget what this manifestation means to us. Our Baptism impels us to preach this truth. We are all charged with the task of evangelization. We must always and everywhere proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord and that He came to save every member of the human race!

Jim Madura





Watch *St. Elizabeth of the Trinity* 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for *St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish* channel.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022**

5:00 PM — James Grisolano, Daniel Guerrero, Michael Maughan, deceased members of the Ognibene family

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022**

7:30 AM — Jarmusz Busko, Alice Kern  
 9:00 AM — *(livestreamed)* - for our parishioners  
 11:00 AM — Richard Bartuce, Brian Brady, James Grisolano  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Jose Luis Bucio

**MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022**

8:30 AM — Alice Brunk, James Grisolano, deceased members of the Gonsalves & S'Souza families

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2022**

8:30 AM — James Grisolano  
 11:00 - 6:00 PM - *Adoration / Benediction at 6:00*  
 5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSIONS  
 6:30 PM — Lucas Cabrera

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022**

8:30 AM — Eleanor, Sam, Grace & Joseph Holden, blessings for Teresa

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022**

8:30 AM — Stanley Markowski (birthday remembrance)

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 7, 2022**

8:30 AM — James Grisolano  
 7:45 PM — (Spanish)

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 2022**

8:30 AM — for our parishioners  
 3:30 - 4:30 — Confession  
 5:00 PM — Michael Maughan, David Milcruz

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022**

7:30 AM — Edward Rzendzian, Helen & Alexander Kolinski, Walter Dyjak (35th anniversary), Rose Dyjak (birthday), Anna, Estelle & Joseph Dyjak, Jo & Ed Sanborn, James Grisolano  
 9:00 AM — *(livestreamed)* - Si O'Donnell, Holy Name Society  
 11:00 AM — Thomas O'Malley, Andrew Miceli  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) -

**Presider Schedule - January 8 & January 9**

5:00 p.m. — Fr. Landfried  
 7:30 a.m. — Fr. Landfried  
 9:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano  
 11:00 a.m. — Fr. McCarthy  
 (Spanish) 1:00 p.m. - Bp. Bartosic

**DISPENSATION**

Cardinal Cupich has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass until further notice.



**Catalina Servano**

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

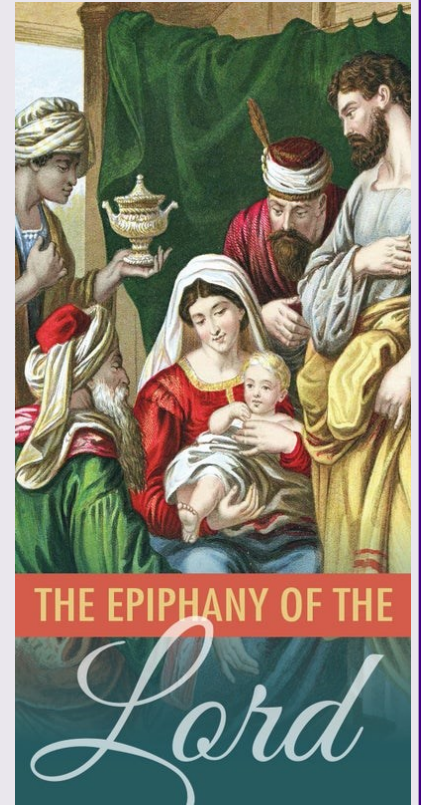
Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church  
 Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus  
 Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious  
 Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop  
 Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious  
 Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest  
 Saturday:  
 Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord  
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*Readings for the Week*

Sunday: 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  
 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 72:1-2, 3-4, 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 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a  
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30  
 Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

## BLESSING OF THE HOME ON EPIPHANY

Lord God of heaven and earth,  
 You revealed your only-begotten Son  
 to every nation by the guidance of a star.  
 Bless this house and all who inhabit it.  
 Fill us with the light of Christ,  
 that our concern for others  
 may reflect Your love.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
 Amen.



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## SERVICES

### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and  
1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and  
First Friday: 7:45 p.m. (Spanish)

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

### Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Friday: 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. (bilingual)  
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office) Hours - Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call Kathleen Driscoll at the parish office for more information.

### Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

**Religious Education for Public Grade School Students:** Contact Kathleen Driscoll for more information: [kadriscoll@archchicago.org](mailto:kadriscoll@archchicago.org)

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*"It seems to me that I have found my  
heaven on earth,  
because my heaven is You,  
my God,  
and You are in my soul.  
You in me,  
and I in You – may this be my motto."  
St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*