







## January 5, 2025 - Epiphany



#### Office Hours

Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m. Fri: closed

# **Holy Mass**

Saturday: 4 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 & 10 a.m. Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.

#### Confessions

Saturday: 3:20-3:50 p.m. Weekdays: 7-7:25 a.m.

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## Solemnity of the Epiphany January 5, 2024

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 4

4 p.m.: Dr & Mrs Leonard Rolfes; David

W Lemaire; Shelia Beasley; Marliene

Bellard; Faye Beasley Sunday, January 5 8:30 a.m.: John P Zagar Monday, January 6 7:30 a.m.: Dickie Bell Tuesday, January 7

7:30 a.m.: Adrien Stewart Wednesday, January 8

7:30 a.m.:

Thursday, January 9

7:30 a.m.: Kreamer family

Friday, January 10

7:30 a.m.: Shirley Stinson



Happy Epiphany

#### Into the Heart

A Journey through the Theology of the Body (Level II) will be offered on Thursday evenings, January 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and February 6th, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the new DesOrmeaux Foundation Learning Center. To register, visit desormeauxfoundation.org/theology-of-the-body.

#### Festival de la Vie

A public pro-life celebration. Saturday, January 18, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Parc International. For more information or to volunteer, go to diolaf.org/prolifefestival

#### Footsteps...

A support ministry for those who have a loved one with mental illness meets the 2nd Saturday monthly from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at St Pius X, Leonpacher Hall. Email footsteps.lafayette@gmail.com, or call 225-241-1821 for more information.

#### Comunità Cenacolo

A Catholic community for addiction recovery. Visit *hopereborn.org*.

#### **Lost and Found**

Forgot something in church? Can't find those glasses, prayer books, gloves, hats, scarves, rosaries, etc.? Be sure to check the lost and found basket, located in the back of the church under the table. Personal items left behind are placed there for you to reclaim.

#### Come, Lord Jesus!

This weekly study/support group focuses on the upcoming Sunday readings in a small group setting. A group meets at St Patrick on Thursdays, at 5:30 p.m., in the office building conference room. For all interested in Scripture and deepening their faith in connection with the holy Eucharist. For more information please call Mike Samson at 337-257-7888 or email: michaelsamson@bellsouth.net.



We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

~ Matthew 2:2

#### **Christmas Flowers**

Christmas flowers have been donated in memory of: Connor West; Ronnie West; Chris Gambel; Sue Ann Voorhies.

#### **Holy Hour for Vocations**

The monthly "Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of All Priests" to will be held Monday, January 6, from 6-7 p.m. here at St Patrick's. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in prayer for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

#### **CDA Scholarships**

Catholic Daughters of America is accepting applications for 8th and 12th grade scholarships. For more information, please contact Julia Lognion by email at jal1627@louisiana.edu. The scholarship application deadline is January 10.

#### Let us pray for:

Mitch Palmer, who celebrates his birthday on January 6.

Janell Degeyter, daughter of parishioners Joyce Stelly, who is recovering from a hip surgery.

Rose Moss, who is recovering from surgery at Pelican Pointe.

Harold Schoeffler, father of Todd Schoeffler, who is recovering from a stroke.

Raymond Garry, Merrick Stelly, Gail Roetker, and Brenda Simon for their health concerns.

Please let us know of your prayer intentions, birthdays, anniversaries, and other prayer-worthy occasions. Email us at office@stpat.org.

#### **Collect for Epiphany**

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

# From a sermon by St Peter Chrysologus, bishop (†450)

In the mystery of our Lord's incarnation there were clear indications of his eternal Godhead. Yet the great events we celebrate today disclose and reveal in different ways the fact that God himself took a human body. In choosing to be born for us. God chose to be known by us. He therefore reveals himself in this way, in order that this great sacrament of his love may not be an occasion for us of great misunderstanding. Today the Magi find, crying in a manger, the one they have followed as he shone in the sky. Today the Magi see clearly, in swaddling clothes, the one they have long awaited as he lay hidden among the stars. Today the Magi gaze in deep wonder at what they see: heaven on earth, earth in heaven, man in God, God in man, one whom the whole universe cannot contain now enclosed in a tiny body. As they look, they believe and do not question, as their symbolic gifts bear witness: incense for God, gold for a king, myrrh for one who is to die. So the Gentiles, who were the last, become the first: the faith of the Magi is the first fruits of the belief of the Gentiles.

# Thank you for last week's stewardship

Offerings, Sunday, Dec 29......\$7,497 Christmas collection.....\$17,315

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind. ~Hebrews 13:16

### From the Pastor's Desk

Happy Epiphany! And Happy New Year! As we usher in the new year, we Catholics also rejoice that 2025 is a special holy year, a jubilee year. As explained on the Vatican website for the Jubilee:

"Jubilee" is the name given to a particular year. The name comes from the instrument used to mark its launch, in this case, the *yobel*, the ram's horn, used to

proclaim the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, but it takes on significance special when it marks the beginning of a Jubilee year. We can find an early indication of it in the Bible. A Jubilee was to be year 50 marked every vears. since this would be an "extra" year, one which would happen every seven weeks of seven years,

i.e., every 49 years (cf. Leviticus 25:8-13). Even though it wasn't easy to organize, it was intended to be marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation, and involved the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields.

In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called the first Jubilee, also known as a

"Holy Year," since it is a time in which God's holiness transforms us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time. At first, they were celebrated every 100 years. Later, in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. There have also been "extraordinary" Holy Years. For example, in 1933 Pope Pius XI chose to commemorate the 1900th anniversary of the Redemption, and in 2015 Pope Francis proclaimed the

Year of Mercy as an extraordinary jubilee. The way in which Jubilee Years are marked has also changed through the Originally centuries. the Holv Year of consisted pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul. later other signs were added, such as the Holy Door.

In the Diocese of Lafayette, Bishop Deshotel has designated the following churches as pilgrimage churches for the Jubilee year: St Landry in Opelousas, St Peter in New Iberia, St Mary Magdalen in Abbeville, St John the Evangelist in Lafayette, and the Carmelite chapel in Lafayette. Catholics may visit these local churches as pilgrims throughout the Jubilee year, to seek reconciliation, to pray, to celebrate the holy Eucharist.

Fr Guillory