



St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church Temperance, Michigan

The Epiphany of the Lord *(New)*
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph *(Trad.)*
"THE ANTONIAN" † January 7, 2024
St. Anthony of Padua, Our Patron and Intercessor,
Pray for Us!



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Weekend Mass Schedule - Lumen Christi Parishes

Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 4:30pm: OL Mt. Carmel

Sunday: 7:30am St Joseph; 9:00am St. Anthony-Eng.; 10:00am OLMC;
10:30am St. Joseph; 12:00pm St. Anthony

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday: 9:00am - OLMC

Tuesday: 9:00am - St. Anthony - Eng.

Wednesday 9:00am - St. Joseph

Thursday: 7:00pm - St. Anthony

Friday: 8:30am - St. Joseph (during school year)

First Friday: 7:00pm - St. Anthony; First Saturday: 9:00am - St. Anthony

Sacrament of Penance

Thursday: 5:30 - 6:30pm - St. Anthony

Saturday: No Confessions @ St. Anthony; 10:30-11:30am - St. Joseph; 2:30-3:30pm - OLMC



Prayer Blankets

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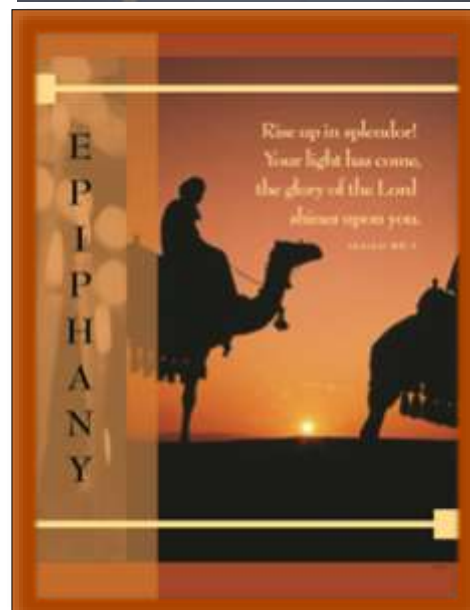
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Please refer to page 3 for St. Anthony's Sacramental Policies and Procedures



The song "We Three Kings" details the gifts of the Magi, but do you know what you're singing?

**"Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
gold I bring to crown Him again."**

This one is the most straightforward - gold symbolizes the Kingship of Christ.

**"Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume
breathes a life of gathering gloom."**

Myrrh is an embalming spice. Already at Christ's birth, we have the symbolic reminder of his death.

**"Frankincense to offer have I.
Incense owns a deity nigh."**

In many religious traditions, incense symbolizes prayers rising to heaven. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.



*St. Anthony of Padua,
Our Patron
and Intercessor,
Pray for Us!
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**Pray
without Ceasing!**

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Monday, January 8, 2024

No Mass

The Baptism of the Lord (New)

St. Apollinaris the Apologist (175), B. (Hist.)

St. Severin of Noricum (480), Hermit, Ap. of Austria (Hist.)

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

9:00am †David Berent

(English)

by The Elmore Family

†Julia Wolfe by Holly Schenk

†Jane Abel

by Mary Christine Allen-Powers

St. Adrian of Canterbury (710), Ab. (Hist.)

Sts. Julian & Basilissa (304), husband & wife, Ms. (Hist.)

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

No Mass

St. William of Bourges (1209), B. (Hist.)

St. Nicanor (76), Dcn. (Hist.)

Thursday, January 11, 2024

7:00pm †Peter Wagner

by Nick & Erica Farley

*John Schnur by Elisa Schnur

*Randy Shields by Cathy Oswald

St. Hyginus (142), P., M. (Trad.)

St. Paulinus (804), B., Patriarch of Aquileia (Hist.)

St. Theodosius (529), Ab. (Hist.)

Friday, January 12, 2024

No Mass

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (1700), V., F.

(New/some places)

St. Arcadius (304), M. (Hist.)

St. Benedict Biscop (690), Ab. (Hist.)

Saturday, January 13, 2024

St. Hilary of Poitiers (368), B., D. (New)

Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord (Trad.)

Bl. Veronica of Binasco (1497), V., R. (Hist.)

No Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (New)

2nd Sunday after Epiphany (Trad.)

9:00am †Richard Glinski

(English)

by Dave & Yavonne Thoma Family

12:00pm *Jack Regan by Alex Regan

*The People of St. Anthony

St. Hilary of Poitiers (368), B., D. (Trad.)

St. Felix of Nola (260), PR., M. (Trad.)

St. Sava (1235), B., Pt. of the Servbian people (Hist.)



Traveling Vocation Chalice

January 7 Jemaa Family

January 14 Hajdu Family

January 21 *Host Family Needed

January 28 *Host Family Needed

Readings for the Week

Today, Sunday, January 7:

For English Mass:

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

For Latin Mass

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17

Gospel: Luke 2:42-52

Monday, January 8:

Isaiah 55:1-11 or 1John 5:1-9;

Mark 1:7-11

Tuesday, January 9:

1Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 10:

1Samuel 3:1-10,19-20; Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 11:

1Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45

Friday, January 12:

1Samuel 8:4-7,10-22a; Mark 2:1-12

Saturday, January 13:

1Samuel 9:1-4,17-19,10:1a; Mark 2:13-17

Sunday, January 14:

For English Mass:

1Samuel 3:3b-10,19

1Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

John 1:35-42

For Latin Mass

Epistle: Romans 12:6-16

Gospel: John 2:1-11

† Days for Blessing items may vary.

Please be sure to leave your name and phone number on the items; we will call you once the items are blessed.

The Offertory Story

for December 17, 2023

Env. assigned: 315; # Env. used: 45

Envelope total \$ 2,726.00

Loose: \$ 676.00

On-line giving \$ --

Total \$ 3,402.00

Weekly Budget amt.....\$ 5,300.00

+Over/-Under Budget \$ - 1,898.00

Year To Date +- \$ - 2,827.45

Other:

Candles 81.50

Christmas 2,450.00

Masses 30.00

Oplatki 26.00

Religious Retirement 5.00

Rummage Sale 850.00

Total for Other: \$ 3,442.50

This Week's Calendar



Monday, January 8, 2024

No Mass

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

9:00am - Holy Mass (English)

9am - 4pm - Life Line Health Screening

- Kenna Hall

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

No Mass

6:30-7:30pm PH Devotions

Thursday, January 11, 2024

No Morning Mass

5:30 - 6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm - Holy Mass

Friday, January 12, 2024

No Mass

6:00pm - Troops of St. George, Little

Flowers, Our Lady's Honor Guard

- Kenna Hall; Padua Hall

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Sunday, January 14, 2024

9:00am - Holy Mass (English)

12:00pm - Holy Mass

The Offertory Story

for December 24, 2023

Env. assigned: 315; # Env. used: 39

Envelope total \$ 2,980.00

Loose: \$ 155.00

On-line giving \$ --

Total \$ 3,135.00

Weekly Budget amt.....\$ 5,300.00

+Over/-Under Budget \$ - 2,165.00

Year To Date +- \$ - 4,992.45

Other:

Candles 158.00

CD Rack; Books 20.00

Holy Day 565.00

Initial Offering 80.00

Masses 60.00

Oplatki 44.00

Religious Retirement 90.00

Total for Other: \$ 1,017.00



The Offertory Story

for Christmas, December 25, 2023

Env. assigned: 315; # Env. used: 78

Envelope total \$ 43,814.00

Loose: \$ 3,250.00

Total for Christmas \$ 47,064.00

Other:

CSA \$ 300.00

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 7, 2024 - Epiphany

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, "This place is boring. I want to go somewhere." So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, "Where am I truly at home?"

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, "They were overjoyed at seeing the star." This star will bring them home, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you're a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, "Follow me! I will take you home!" Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— Father John Muir

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Step Into the Light

How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all.

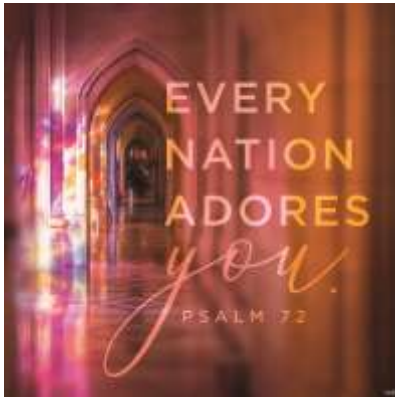
But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day.

The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light?

"See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2

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Chalking the Door: An Epiphany House Blessing 2024

Here is one form that is used to mark the houses with blessed chalk. In doing a search, there were a number of different variations. This one is from the Order of Carmelites's website (<http://www.carmelites.net/news/chalking-door-epiphany-house-blessing-2015/>). The family gathers to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

A traditional way of doing this is to use chalk to write above the home's entrance, 20 + C + M + B + 24. The letters "C, M, B" have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and 2024 is the year.

Blessing the Chalk

V. Our help is the name of the Lord:

R. The maker of heaven and earth.

V. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in:

R. From this time forth for evermore.

Let us pray.

Loving God, bless this chalk which you have created, that it may be helpful to your people; and grant that through the invocation of your most Holy Name that we who use it in faith to write upon the door of our home the names of your holy ones Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, may receive health of body and protection of soul for all who dwell in or visit our home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Instructions for Blessing the Home

Using the blessed chalk mark the lintel of your front door (or front porch step) as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 24 while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and fifteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer: *Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen*

"Chalking the door" is a way to celebrate and literally mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time the chalk will fade. As it does we let the meaning of the symbols written sink into the depths of our heart and be manifest in our words and actions the Latin words, *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house."