

# JANUARY 3, 2020

## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of our Lord. The Gospel account of the three magi traveling to meet Baby Jesus is one that we know well. Yet, when we pause to reflect on this moment when these men met Christ for the first time, we recognize that there is much to be said for us still today.



When the magi entered the house, it says, “they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.” Clearly these men knew that they were in the presence of their King. They also came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which symbolize Christ’s kingship, divinity and humanity.

Christ is still manifesting Himself to us today. We enter God’s house weekly, and we are in His presence. When we meet Him, do we offer Him our gifts — our time, talent and treasure? As Christian stewards, we are called to respond with love, reverence and gratitude.

Let us prepare our hearts to receive Christ’s many manifestations in our lives. We just need a grateful disposition to receive them.

*Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

### PARISH CALENDAR

#### Monday, January 4

8:30 a.m. - Giuseppe Rodrigues and deceased members of the Rodrigues family †

#### Tuesday, January 5

8:30 a.m. - Bet Condon †

7:00 p.m. - RCIA

#### Wednesday, January 6

8:30 a.m. - Don Cudahy †  
Special Intention

#### Thursday, January 7

No Mass

#### Friday, January 8

8:30 a.m. - Special Intention

#### Saturday, January 9

5:00 p.m. - Livestream on YouTube  
Cecil Hoekstra †

#### Sunday, January 10

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

11:00 a.m. - Anne Morris †

Deceased members of McElheran & Stasiak families †

### ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

*“They offered Him gifts of gold,  
frankincense and myrrh.”*

Is God calling you to give Him the gold of your freedom, the incense of your prayer, and the myrrh of your love through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603  
or email [frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com](mailto:frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com).



### REMINDER: CWL 2021 MEMBERSHIP

It is that time again for our Annual Due for 2021. We are most grateful for your continued support. Through your membership, it enables us to help the different charitable organizations in our community. Please put your cash or cheque for **\$25.00** made payable to **St. Julia CWL** in a plain envelope which can be placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the parish office. Please ensure your envelope is clearly marked with your name, address, telephone number and email if you have one. You may call Karen at (905) 688-1724 if you can't make it to church and we will gladly do a pick up. Thank you!

# THE YEAR AHEAD

May God make your year a happy one!  
Not by shielding us from all sorrows and pain,  
But by strengthening us to bear it, as it comes;  
Not by making our path easy,  
But by making us sturdy to travel any path;  
Not by taking hardships from us,  
But by taking fear from our heart;  
Not by granting us unbroken sunshine,  
But by keeping our face bright, even in the shadows;  
Not by making our life always pleasant,  
But by showing us when people and their causes need us most,  
and by making us anxious to be there to help.  
God's love, peace, hope and joy to us for the year ahead.

- Author Unknown



## CWL MILESTONE CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to our CWL members who celebrated the following years of service.

- \* 50 Years Carolyn Crowley and Mary Pizzo
- \* 45 Years Lillian Diggins
- \* 40 Years Vi Knebel
- \* 35 Years Norah Behlau and Jeanette Kamendy
- \* 30 Years Margaret Champion
- \* 25 Years Mabel Ball
- \* 10 Years Donna Jeynes
- \* 5 Years Claire Beckermann, Naty Canaria and Valerie Honsberger

Thank you for your dedication and continued support of our League! God bless!

## FAITH FORMATION & CATECHESIS

We welcome you to join our RCIA session for  
“*The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick*” at  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, January 5, 2021 in our parish hall.

## SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Do you know of someone in need of prayers for healing? Please contact the church office to add them to our weekly intentions.

Saint Joseph,  
Patron of the  
Church,  
Pray for Us!



### *Prayer to St. Joseph*

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy,  
and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.*

*Amen.*