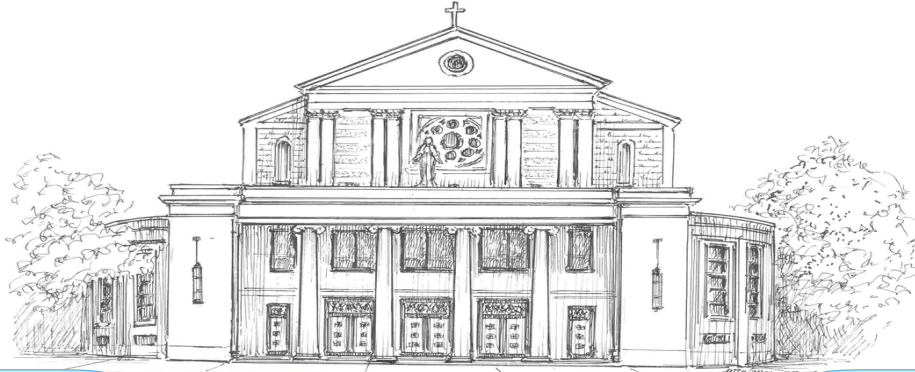


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"CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS"

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 6:30AM and 12:00Noon

Saturdays: 8:00AM and 5:00PM

Sundays: 7:30; 9:00; 12:00; 8:00PM - English - Lower Church
10:30AM - Spanish Mass - Lower Church
4:00PM - Pakistani Mass - Lower Church
5:30PM - Haitian Mass - Upper Church

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated in English and Spanish. The normal time for Baptism is Sunday afternoon at 1:00PM in the Lower Church. Please contact the rectory office to begin the process of scheduling your child's Baptism.

PRE - BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Arrangements will be made to register for class after consulting with Deacon Bill Moser (215) 745-1389.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Eve of Holy Days: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Eve of First Fridays: After **Noon Mass Only**

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Weddings may be scheduled for Saturdays at 11:00AM, 1:00PM or 3:00PM in the Upper Church; and at 2:00PM in the Lower Church. Couples intending marriage are asked to contact our Parish Priest at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage. Participating in a Marriage Preparation Program is a requisite for the reception of this holy sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of **serious illness**, please contact one of our parish priests. Anyone unable to attend Mass due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their homes.

January 3, 2016



The Epiphany of the Lord

God's Plan for Giving

*Tithing is God's plan to support His Church.
Full tithing means 10% of income to God.
We ask half of this or 5% for your Parish Church.*

From the desk of Fr. Joe...

The Feast of the Epiphany

Today we celebrate the arrival of the Three Kings. Each bringing a gift that symbolizes the role of this holy child. The gifts are symbolic of his Kingship, His Priesthood, and his impending Death on the cross.

Jesus is King. We hear it often in Sacred Scripture. Pilate says, "So you are a King?" and Jesus replies that his Kingdom is not of this world. The gift of gold is a gift fitting for a king.

Jesus is a priest. He stands at the head of the community and prays for them. This is quite evident in the 17th chapter of the Gospel of John. We see Jesus praying for his Disciples as they are about to undergo the most difficult experience of Jesus's Passion and Death. The gift of frankincense is a gift fit for a priest. We often use incense in our church for funerals and other significant celebrations.

Finally, Jesus came to die. Myrrh was an ointment used in burial preparation. Of the three gifts presented to the child Jesus, I think this is the most significant. It clearly states His purpose in being born in the world. He was born so that he might die for our sins.

On this Feast of the Epiphany let us be mindful of the gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh and the three things they represent. Jesus is King, He is Priest, and he died for you and me.

Sunday, January 3, The Epiphany of the Lord

5:00PM (Vigil) Regina Mattia
7:30 Margaret Weltz
9:00 Patrick Harrington
10:30 John Pfeffers
12:00 Noon Mary Kay Mooney - Birthday (Living)
8:00PM Holy Souls

Monday, January 4, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

6:30 Special Intention
12:00 Noon Kay McCarthy

Tuesday, January 5, Saint John Neumann

6:30 Sr. Philip Marie Wendel
12:00 Noon George Stavarski

Wednesday, January 6, Saint André Bessette

6:30 Sr. Janet Regina Dougherty
12:00 Noon Margaret Weltz

Thursday, January 7, Saint Raymond of Penyafort

6:30 Mary Pham (Living)
12:00 Noon Joseph Tran (Living)

Friday January 8, Christmas Weekday

6:30 George Stavarski
12:00 Noon Joseph Tran (Living)

Saturday, January 9, Christmas Weekday

8:00 Michael Nyce
5:00PM (Vigil) Gerald Hesdin

"We Remember those who have Died"

Regina M. Lutz (nee: Donnelly) ♦ Marie Noelzina Nelson Lafirmin

A Will can be a final expression of one's love and concern for family, friends, and the Parish Community.



Remember Our Sick

Michael Adams
Josephine Agozzino
Olga Andrijischjn
Luis Ariza
Beatrice Barnes
Gertrude Boyes
Joseph Bradley
John Byrne
Florence Caputo
Regina Carberry
Jared David Carrasco
Teresa (*Cathy*) Carey
Patricia Cassidy
Karla Castro
Adele Censky
Catherine Clark
Marguerite Clauss
Emilio Colan
Joanne Coleman
Shannon Coley

Charlotte Corcoran
Anna Creniti
Caroline Darpino
Alaya Diggs
Carol DiMaggio
Margaret Donahue
Tim Edwards
Joseph Fenuto
John Flannery
Gilda Ford
Vicki Francis
Brandon Fuscia
Rita *and* Steve Garry
Ann Geiges
Nellie Grady
Anne Guinan
James Hamilton
Joseph Hearn, Jr.
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Marte Heil

Frankie & Bob Herbert
John Herbert
Christopher Higgins
Jeffrey Hill
Peggy Hoffner
Denise Horgan
Sheranne Shea-Jubelirer
Luke Kehoe
Ellen Kelly
Anne Krause
Loretta LaBarge
Marcial Leon
Mark Lewis
Teresa Mac Bride
Jeanne Mace
Jerry *and* Gale Mahoney
Lisa Mathews
Lindsey McManus
Emma Miller
Anne Nyce

Keith Parks
Verna Quigley
Charlie Rehr
Linda Richardson
Martha Schmid
F. Joseph Sullivan
Ethel Thomas
Betty Thompson
Kathleen Thompson
Phyllis Thompson
James Trainor
Rita Marie Unrath
Guillermo Velasquez
Angela Walsh
Betty Wilson
Elizabeth Wismer

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The **LORD** shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you

(Isaiah 60:1-6)

LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES

"Appearances can be deceiving," as the saying goes. As we celebrate the *epiphania*, the *"appearing"* of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God's glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.

We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God's glory in our lives: **Jesus Christ.**



SOLEMNIDAD DE EPIFANIA

"Y CAYENDO DE RODILLAS LE ADORARON!"
 Dios se manifiesta. La iniciativa es divina. Los sabios de Oriente dejaron todo, se pusieron en camino en búsqueda del Recién nacido y se dejaron guiar por la Luz de Dios. Y al ver a Jesús le adoraron. Dios se deja conocer por los Reyes magos. Como ellos debemos buscarle a Jesús con humildad y fe. Nunca dejamos de conocerlo y amarlo a Jesús. Y Él no nos defrauda. Que le busquemos al Señor con más entusiasmo en el Año de la Misericordia. Que su Paz y Misericordia nos acompañe durante este Año Nuevo.

CONFESIONES: Domingo, 10:00 - 10:20AM.

BAUTISMO: Coordina con Diácono Felipe o Hna. Rosa

2º Miércoles del mes a las 7:00 PM: Charla

3º Domingo del mes a la 1:00 PM: Bautismo

Círculo De Oración: Los viernes: 7:00 PM

Café Para Padres: Registración con Arcides de Jesús

Youth Group: Miércoles, 13, y 27 de enero 7:00 PM

Announcements

Makeup meeting for parents of 1st Reconciliation/Communion children Sunday, January 24th at 6:00 PM - Parish Hall.

Confirmation classes for High School students begins on Sunday, January 31st at 9:15 AM in the convent basement.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

PREP: Los martes: 6:15 – 7:45 PM

Programa de Primera Comunión: Habrá una reunión obligatoria para los padres de familia quienes no asistieron a la reunión en diciembre: Domingo, 24 de enero: 6:00 PM

Jóvenes de High School: Regístrense con Sister Bernadette (215-745-0921) para el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Las clases comenzarán el 31 de enero.

Estudio Bíblico Para Adultos: Hora de PREP

Adultos: Coordina con Diácono Felipe para los Sacramentos. Charlas se realizan los jueves a las 7:00PM

Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh



SEMANA NACIONAL de MIGRACIÓN 2016

3 hasta 9 de enero

***"Forastero, y me acogisteis."* Mateo (25:35)**

PADRE AMOROSO,

Oramos para que les brindes tu divina protección a todos los migrantes, en especial a aquellos que deben dejar sus hogares debido a la guerra o la violencia, a los que son desarraigados a causa de la degradación ambiental y del cambio climático o cuya pobreza material los empuja a buscar oportunidades en otro lugar. Muéstranos la manera de acercarnos a estas poblaciones vulnerables y ayudarles a empezar una nueva vida en un nuevo hogar. Abre nuestro corazón para que podamos ofrecerle hospitalidad a todo aquel que viene en busca de un refugio. Concédenos la valentía para acoger a todo extranjero como si fuera Cristo en medio de nosotros. Te lo pedimos por Cristo, Nuestro Señor, quien vive y reina contigo, en unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. *Amén.*

Mother Boniface Spirituality Center

3501 Solly Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19136

"Day of Reflection on God's Merciful Love"

Saturday, January 9, 2016 -- 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Open your heart to receive the blessings of Pope Francis' Extraordinary Jubilee Year! It's a time to ponder God's mercy, know and receive it ourselves, and resolve to be "missionaries of mercy" to others.

Fee: \$40 (lunch included).

Please call 267.350.1830 or email mbcretreat@msbt.org

For more information or to register. Please register by 1/4/16.

AÑO DE MISERICORDIA

La Capilla Adoración Perpetua de St. William está abierta las 24 horas los 7 días de la semana.

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