



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

- Mt 2:10-11a

Week at a Glance

All Week

Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Food for Families

Sunday

All Masses | Church Second Collection for SJND & RE Program

Tuesday

3:30pm | Church Companioned Prayer Francis de Sales

Wednesday

11am | Garden Room Women's Games

6:30pm | Church Praise and Worship

Thursday

7pm | St. John Paul Room Spanish Divine Mercy Cenacle

Sacraments

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am

> 9:00 am 11:30 am 6:00 pm

1st Sunday Spanish 1:30 pm

Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am Mon. - Sat. 8:15 am

Holy Day Mass Times

6:30 am 8:15 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday 3 - 4:30 pm or by appointment

All Other Sacraments

Please call the office for information.

Clergy

Fr. Renier Siva Pastor

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Parochial Vicar

William Goeke Jim McFadden

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Fr. Ignatius Haran
Pastor Emeritus

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Bulletin

FolsomCatholic.org/bulletin

Bulletin Date
January 12
January 19
January 26

Ad Due by 5 pm
January 2
January 9
January 16

Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ.

We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic,
sacramental, loving and charitable.

Today's Readings

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

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

- Mt 2:10-11

Gospel Meditation

We may walk many roads when we search for God, and He leads us all the while. The men we honor today were not Jews. The Messiah wasn't coming for them, not in the minds of Jesus' contemporaries. These men were astrologers. They were adept at reading portents in the sky, a practice condemned in the Mosaic covenant. Still, to the best of their knowledge and awareness, they were seeking the truth. This truth led them to journey from their own homeland to honor a king they'd never met, one they couldn't be sure truly existed. "'We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'" Who do you know seeks God so tenaciously?

"Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem," the Gospel tells us. Who are the seekers in your own life? Maybe it's your cautiously curious co-worker, the neighbor who unexpectedly found peace on a yoga retreat, or your desperately angry child who has chosen, for now, to go their own way. Perhaps they're not overtly headed for Jesus now, not yet. But they may well be seekers of truth in ways we didn't expect. Our invitation is to listen, inquire, and give directions when appropriate.

The magi and modern-day seekers can inspire us as well. When is the last time you sought God's truth so tenaciously? As believers, it can perhaps be easy to become desensitized to the Christmas season and to the miraculous reality we recently celebrated. Mass may have been lovely, but so was the succulent roast beef, the crisp smell of evergreen, and the warm glow of family. Consider asking yourself, "God, do I know you as well as I should? Would I journey as far as the magi to meet You, if I could? Do I journey to meet You daily in prayer? What do those answer say about me, and about our relationship?" Perhaps we, like the magi, can once again be "overjoyed" at seeing the Light of the World.

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

In the wake of Israel's return from exile in Babylon, Isaiah prophesied the restoration of Jerusalem marked by gifts ranging from the "riches of the sea" to the "wealth of nations."

What gifts do you receive from your faith in Jesus?

Second Reading

Paul wrote of the "mystery" that was revealed to him; namely, the Gentiles and the Jews (all believers) were "coheirs, members of the same body" of Jesus Christ. Why might some people resist this message of inclusivity?

Gospel Reading

Matthew tells us that the visit of the magi was wrought with fear, danger, and deception. Why do you think the good news of Jesus Christ remains today a threat to some people in the world?



Knights of Columbus Council Free Throw Championship

January 12, Sunday 9am -12 Gallagher Hall Contact: Greg Sinclair glsinclair@sbcglobal.net

The Knights of Columbus, Council 6197 Free Throw Championship is open to the public for all boys and girls, ages 9 - 14. Participants compete against competitors of the same age and gender. Participants shoot 15 free throws. A copy of participant's birth certificate must accompany each entry form. Age group "cutoff date" is Jan 1. Forms require signature of parents or guardian. Forms available at the competition or online: www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/free-throw-championship/1598-free-throw-entry-form-score-sheet.pdf

Ecumenical Panel & Prayer Service

Thursday, January 23
Panel: 2pm, Prayer Service: 7pm
Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
1017 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Contact: Deacon Dennis Gorsuch
916-984-8550, or
E-mail: dennisgorsuch@comcast.net

A special Ecumenical event will take place at the Cathedral during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Join us for the panel discussion at 2pm featuring several religious leaders, including Bishop Mark Holmerud of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Sierra Pacific Synod, and Rev. Michael Vaughan, Vicar General of the Diocese of Sacramento, In the evening, there will be a Prayer Service with Bishop Mark Holmerud as the Speaker. For more information, please contact Deacon Dennis.

Scam Emails & Text Messages

Parishioners and parish staff have been again receiving scam emails and text supposedly from our parish priests requesting the recipients to contact them in regard to donations or monetary matters. Please do NOT send money or respond to these people. If there is any doubt call the parish office to verify. The Diocese will never ask you to send gift cards or money by email.

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Christian Brothers High School

Placement Exam for Incoming Freshmen

January 11, 2020, Saturday 8:45 am - 12:30 pm 916- 733-3690 cbhs-sacramento.org

Eighth graders interested in attending CB in the 2020-21 school year are required to take the Placement Exam. Online applications are due on January 9, 2020. Please contact the admissions office for more information at or visit the CB website.

World Marriage Day

February 15, Saturday
11:00am Mass with Bishop Jaime Soto
Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
1017 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Contact: Office of Family & Faith Formation
916 - 733-0133

Join us as we honor marriage and salute the beauty of faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in married life.

During this Mass, there will be a special blessing for sacramentally married couples and an opportunity for them to renew their marital commitment. An informal reception will follow for couples and their families. Special certificates will be distributed at the reception honoring couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+). If you plan to attend, please register at: www.scd.org/wmd. If you have questions, please call the contact listed above.

New Parishioners and Visitors

Visit FolsomCatholic.org for more information about our parish. There you can register on-line, peruse our ministry page and also contact the New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 5th

7:30 am Joseph Phelan+ 9:00 am Marian Thompson+ 11:30 pm Genevieve Hart 1:30 pm People of the Parish 6:00 pm Tim & Jean Conner

Monday, January 6th

6:30 am Zusara Smith (spiritual healing) 8:15 am Lori Rico+

Tuesday, January 7th

6:30 am Erika Tecson (thanksgiving) 8:15 am Prasanna & Placida (wedding aniv)

Wednesday, January 8th

6:30 am Valerie Sullivan+ 8:15 am Anthony+

Thursday, January 9th

6:30 am In Thanksgiving 8:15 am Karen Maez+

Friday, January 10th

6:30 am Duke McCully+ 8:15 am Ashley Flores

Saturday, January 11th

8:15 am Isidoro Alcordo+ 5:00 pm Steve Rando+

Observances We Celebrate This Week

Sun: The Epiphany of the Lord Mon: St. André Bessette **Tue:** St. Raymond of Penyafort

January is dedicated to:

The Holy Name of Jesus

Pope Francis' **Monthly Intention for January**

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Intercessory Prayers

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends, and those in need of healing of the body and soul.

Joey Durse Alan Ramsay Annie Brozosky Aurora Bertulfo Baby Daniella Bert Mateo **Bob Taylor** Cher Juliet Christopher Cordova Denise Phfa Don Hendrickson Don Paul Howell Eric Coscolluela **Ernest Deus** Evalia Hipolito Frederick Nidov Gilbert Mendivil Gordon Ferriss Gloria Mendivil Herbert Kohagura Jared Ellerson Jessica Breazeale Joann Pasterski

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Prayers for Our Troops

We pray for our military personnel abroad and at home, and for their families. John Massey Sgt. Alan Price

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of all who have died, our family members, friends, and parishioners. May they rest in peace.

Ann Danielsen Barbara Doherty Colette Koch Dennis Knight Destiny Estrada Doris Bourgeois Doris McKeo Duke McCully Frank Brugger Isabel Viloria John Drumm Sr. John O'Malley Karen Maez Lenon Padilla Liberato Mariano Jr. Magdalena Maliki Maria Duenas Mario Penman Mary Brisbin

Mary Grimes Mary Jo Morris MaryJo Cordona

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Mike Diorio Nicolas Gomez Quy Pham Raleigh Radin Romy Elvambuena Sanh Nguyen Sister Antinia Sr. Bridget Mary

Flynn, RSM Sr. Kathleen Kinane Sr. Mercedes Braga, SHF Stephen Rando Thelma Lyon Theresa Gonzalez Tom Baker

Prayer Requests

Prayer requests for the sick, military or recently deceased may be made by calling our Parish Office. Names will appear for four months. For Mass intentions please visit the Parish Office to reserve a particular Mass time.

The Adoration Chapel

Open to everyone 7 days a week Monday through Friday: 9:00 - 8:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 - 5:00 pm, Closed the 5th Saturday of the Month Sunday: 7:00 - 1:00 pm

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited daily at 3:00 pm.

Perpetual Adoration is held in the Adoration Chapel on the

1st Friday of the month after 8:15 am Mass through 4:00 pm on Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration Ministry Hours of Need

For information please contact: James Banach 916-803-0821 or Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com

Monday: 10 - 11:00 am 11 - 12:00 pm 4 - 5:00 pm 7 - 8:00 pm Tuesday: 12 - 1:00 pm 4 - 5:00 pm 7 - 8:00 pm Wednesday: 11-12:00 pm 6 - 7:00 pm Thursday: 9 - 10:00 am 12 - 1:00 pm 2 - 3:00 pm 5 - 6:00 pm 6 - 7:00 pm 7 - 8:00 pm Friday: 12 - 1:00 pm 1 - 2:00 pm 2 - 3:00 pm 1st Saturday: 11 - 12:00 pm 12 - 1:00 pm 3 - 4:00 pm

2nd Saturday: 3 - 4:00 pm 4 - 5:00 pm

3rd Saturday: 2 - 3:00 pm

4th Saturday: 3 - 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8 - 9:00 am 10 - 11:00 am

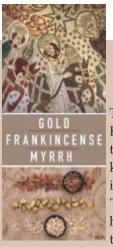
We need additional adorers for days and times listed above. Please prayerfully consider signing up for 1 hour a week with the Lord in the Adoration Chapel. You will never regret it!

Respect Life Ministry

Prayers and life-saving efforts at the local level are making a huge difference as California leads the nation now with 15 abortion businesses CLOSED, contributing to the 32% decrease nationwide as documented by the abortion industry's report released just this week! Please plan to pray at the abortion clinic in Sacramento starting February 26th of 2020, which will be the start of another 40 Days for Life campaign. Over 16,000 babies were spared and their mothers were saved from the tragedy of a lifetime of grief during the Fall 40 Days for Life campaign. You can make a difference, not only by actively praying but by being mindful of pro-life candidates in our state. God bless you all!

Prayer Opportunities At St. John the Baptist

Companioned Prayer (Tue, 3:30 pm)
Daily Mass
Eucharistic Adoration
Morning Prayer (after 8:15 am Mass)
-Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet



Epiphany of the Lord

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 plan, 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. In some pagan traditions, it is thought to help "call down" the deity. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.





Edge

January 14, Tuesday 6:30pm - 8pm Contact: Aaron Santos asantos@folsomcatholic.org or 916-985-2065

Please note the new day and time we will be meeting. Please meet in the St. John Paul room.

Exploring the Saints at Companioned Prayer

Tuesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Church Chapel Contact: Bill Stobbe, 916-505-3800

St John's Companioned Prayer ministry will be exploring some of our favorite saints as our spiritual companions. We invite you to participate, be part of our discussion and prayer. No need to sign up in advance – just show up Tuesday afternoons at 3:30.

Francis de Sales - Dec 31, Jan 7 & 14

Spring Scripture Studies

Contact: Teresa or Lee Weider 916-983-8065 laweider631@gmail.com

Sessions will begin the week of Feb 3rd. The Studies include:

- Lectio Eucharist (a study on the biblical roots of the Eucharist and God's plan for our salvation), Romans (a Jeff Cavins study on St. Paul's letter to the Romans and the connections between Jesus, Christianity and the Old Testament prophecies)
- Entertaining Angels (a journey with Fr. Mitch Pacwa on the saints, the Catechism and Scripture to remind us of God's precious gift to us in the good angels).

Sign-up and more information is on the parish website. Scripture Studies offer fellowship, enrichment, and an opportunity to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome!

Praise and Worship

January 8, Wednesday 6:30 pm, Church Contact: Sheila Fitzpatrick 925-437-0798 Sheilafitz1@yahoo.com

Want to learn more about the love of God and the power of the Holy Spirit? Join us for an evening of inspiring music, powerful prayer and "The Wild Goose" video! Join us at our next monthly Praise and Worship. Followed by refreshments and fellowship!

Parable Series - Part 2

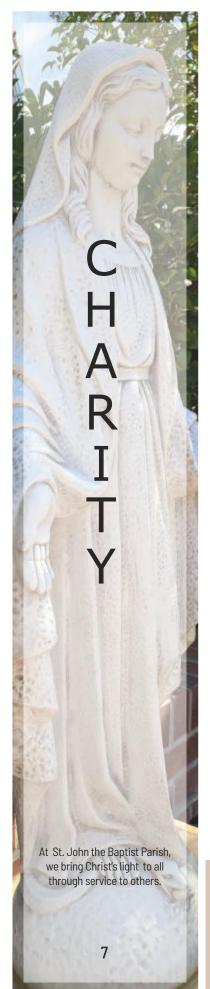
January 20 - February 17, Mondays, 7pm Gallagher Hall - St. John Paul II Room Contact: Dcn Jim McFadden macfam500@att.net

More information to follow in upcoming bulletins.

Penances and Prayers

When I was younger, I wrote music to and recorded Thomas Merton's poem, "Epiphany Carol." If you have never read it, search it out on the internet. Merton's words are profound and paint a picture of the awesomeness of Jesus, the newborn King of Kings, lying in a simple straw bed. The shepherds and Wise Men are drawn to pay homage to the One who has been born above all others and brings with him hope for a broken world.

As Merton correctly points out, the gifts we are called to bring to this baby and lay at his feet are our prayers and penances, next to those gifts of worldly wealth. What is it that you have to bring to the stable on this feast of the Epiphany of the Lord? Unless those prayers and penances lead to a new way of living, our gifts will be void of meaning. What we lay before him speaks to the change in us that he has given to us by his birth. Our daily stewardship is resembled in those gifts. If we are to truly echo the kingdom of God in our lives and actions, what we ultimately offer to him is no less than our entire selves. This baby will give his entire self for us, and his work must continue through our hands and feet. -Tracy Earl Welliver



Second Collection

This weekend our second collection is for St. John Notre Dame and our RE program.

Next weekend our second collection will be for our Building and Maintenance Fund

SJND Scrip Gift Cards

Ready to hit the Sierra snow? If you're shopping for new gear, consider using Scrip for everything from beanies and gloves to skis and jackets. Scrip gift cards are available for Dick's Sporting Goods, REI, Target and Walmart. Learn more at the Scrip table before or after Mass--thank you for your support!

Knights of Columbus Final Weekend for Donations

Coats for Kids & Food for Families
October 27 - January 5, 2020, Vestibule
Contact: SK Percy Park, 916-983-3368 or
GK Dick Phelan, 916-221-0596

Coats for Kids

Donate "new" or "gently used"-washed children's winter coats or winter accessories. Winter accessories and sleeping bags for teen's and adults are also accepted.

Food for Families

Most requested food items are: canned meats such as tuna, chicken, turkey, ham, stew and chili, vegetables, beans, rice, healthy cereals, peanut butter, baby food & baby formula.

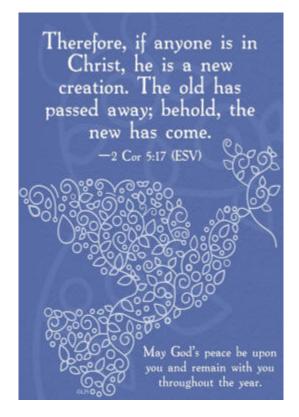
Drop Off Locations

A Cart and/ or Barrel in the Vestibule, Helping Hands - MWF, 9 am to Noon or Parish Office during business hours.

> "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you." (Ps 72)

Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00 Offering for Dec 21/Dec 22 is \$19,818 On-line donations are not included.



Inspiration of the Week

Have you ever experienced a time in your life when everything came together and became abundantly clear? You may have been confused about something, in the dark, at a point of doubt, or unclear as to how to act. You may have questioned someone's motivation and found yourself coming to the wrong conclusion. Then out of nowhere, the insight came and reality dawned. You experienced an epiphany of sorts! Today, we celebrate Christ's manifestation to all of the nations of the world. Has it dawned on you yet that Jesus Christ is the answer humanity has been seeking? Jesus is truly the beginning and end of all things and the key to understanding God's presence in every human heart. Once this real Epiphany dawns on us, we can never see God, ourselves, or one another in any other way. The Divine Light illumines everything and connects the dots.



Sharing the Gospel

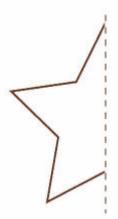
When Jesus was born, angels sang. I'll bet you never thought stars could sing for Jesus, too. But the stars in the sky sang in their own way, just by moving and twinkling in the sky. The Savior was born. Jesus was the King that God's people had been waiting for. Magi who had been watching the sky saw a star much brighter than the rest. They followed that star until they found Jesus, and they worshipped their new king.



Ask your family if you can visit a planetarium, or look through a special telescope, so you can see the stars God made.



Can you draw the second half of this star?





Dear God, thank you for making the stars move and twinkle in a special way, so that the Magi could find Jesus.





Welcoming Ministries

Communications Ministry

Loreen McMahon, 916-933-1330

Ministers of Hospitality

Shannon Bleeker, 916-200-8059

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer

Bill Stobbe, 916-505-3800

-Offered to Everyone, Tue, 3:30pm

Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Pat Koelfgen, 916-989-2915

- -Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer, Mon-Sat after 8:15 Mass, Divine Mercy Chapel
- -Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass, call for info
- -Cenacle Zoeanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359
- -Cenacle-Spanish Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com -Adoration Chapel open Mon-Fri, 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 7am-1pm. **Perpetual Adoration**—1st Fri 9am through Sat 4pm.

Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-English – 1st Saturday of the month Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-Spanish – 2nd Wednesday of the month Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

Spiritual Growth Ministries

Adult Scripture Study

Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-983-8065

Marriage Encounter

Dennis & Carrie Crawford, 530-878-3744
-Faith-based program & couples weekend for marriage enrichment.

Praise & Worship

Sheila Fitzpatrick, sheilafitz1@yahoo.com

Religious Education

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Debbie Duncan, 916-798-0201

-Information & instruction on becoming a Catholic

Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, Parish Office, 916-985-2065

WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Sue Collins, 916-337-6237

Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org -Middle School/Edge, High School/Life Teen

Parish Committees/Councils

Finance Council

Elizabeth Beigh, 916-730-1291

Liturgy Committee

Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

Pastoral Council - Coming Soon.

Outreach/Charity Ministries

Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions

Nina Pucci, 916-947-6386

Catholics for Life

Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824

Gabriel Project

Helen Boyd, 916-367-8071

-Aid pregnant mothers in need.

Grace Quilters Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

-Creating artistic lap quilts for infirmed, home bound members of our parish community.

Grupo Pastoral Hispano

Anna Haid, 916-956-1177

Knights of Columbus

Dick Phelan, 916-221-0596

Pastoral Care Ministry

Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday

Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday

-Bring Eucharist to sick & homebound, T/Sun.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry

-Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 $\times\,4206$

-CSP Sacramento - Dcn Bill Goeke, 916-733-0262

School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame)

Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129

Senior Visitation

Charlene Agles, charleneagles@gmail.com -Visit homebound seniors in our community.

St. Vincent de Paul (Helping Hands)

John Knight, 916-985-4630

-Assistance to those in need in our community Helping Hands - open MWF, 9-12pm

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

Children's Liturgy during Mass

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion

Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-939-7205

Lectors

Barbara or Charlotte Ferreira, 209-480-1153

Liturgical Environment

Arlette Peterson, 916-983-1389

Music - See choir director after Mass.

Additional Ministries

Children's Babysitting at Mass

Georgia Oatmeyer, 916-201-3193

Family Fellowship

Carol Stephenson, 916-952-6744

Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

Women's Game Day

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

-Join us for bridge, rummy, etc. Weds. 11:00am.

Please send ministry updates and corrections to Loreen McMahon, mcmahon510@comcast.net.



Magi, Three Kings, Three Wise Men...Who Were They?

We sing songs, give gifts, and move three mysterious men into our manger scenes. There's a rich heritage in the Catholic Church of celebrating the magi, but their origins are steeped in mystery. The original Greek calls these men magoi. The word is translated elsewhere in Scripture to mean "magician," but a similar word was used in ancient history to describe an entirely different set of people altogether. In what is now modern-day Iran, the ruling empire had a wealthy priestly caste known as the Magi. At the time of Christ, the Magi formed one of the ruling councils of the Parthian Empire. These priests interpreted dreams and read the stars to anticipate major events that could affect the fortunes of the empire.

We're not exactly sure where the magi of the Gospels traveled from. Matthew simply says "the east." History tells us that the ancient regions of Persia, Assyria, and Babylon all had a magi priesthood at the time of Christ. Whichever region they hailed from, they likely traveled over one thousand miles over the course of several months to arrive at the Holy Family. Unfortunately for the classic song, there is no concrete evidence these men were themselves kings, though they did bear gifts "from afar" at the prompting of their astronomical calculations.







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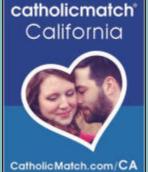
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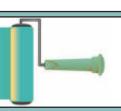


















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