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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass, 9:00a
Holy Days 7:00p
Communion Service Consult bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021

Morning, Church!

Hallelujah is a signature song of composer-poet Leonard Cohen. It's sung at during TV singing competitions, like *The Voice* or *American Idol*.

In Cohen's song *Anthem*, there's a lyric that is a perfect lead into a spiritual reflection on today's Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord:

*There's a crack in everything.
That's how the light gets in.*

Today's feast celebrates God's willingness to enter into our cracked and broken existence and bathe all of us in Marvelous Light.

Epiphany is the feast of Light first revealed to our Ancestors in Faith, and then to the whole world.

Epiphany reveals the breath
of God's inclusive love.

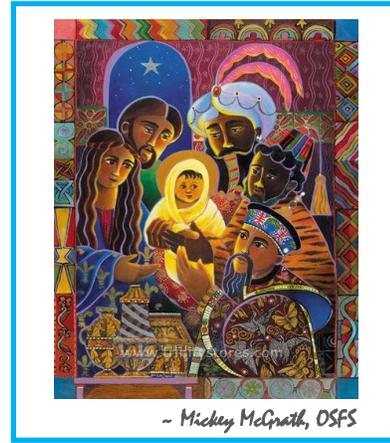
The Magi, symbolize the diversity of humanity's and cultures, and shows how the Light's spectrum shines for all of us and on all of us. A crack in our universe is filled by a never-before-seen star that pierced the sky and lead them to Christ. (Recently, we've been made aware that this phenomena in the conjuncture of Saturn and Jupiter).

This Light continues to shine beyond Bethlehem to the far reaches of the Earth ~ on every Gentile, Jew, Buddhist, Muslim, Hindu, Christian, atheist, agnostic, and secularist. Always, this Epiphany Light is dazzling, indiscriminate, and abundant.

There is a crack in everything, in we humans who are deeply flawed and unfinished. Christ, sees our cracks and honors us with his saving presence and light. In 2021, reflect on the light and darkness of 2020, count your blessings, and remember: Jesus, the Light of the World chose to fill your cracks with healing light and grace. That's truly a God-send.

KEEP YOUR WORD. KEEP THE WORD.

Comfort and joy,



For Those Who Have Far to Travel
An Epiphany Blessing
~ Jan Richardson

If you could see
the journey whole
you might never
undertake it;
might never dare
the first step
that propels you
from the place
you have known
toward the place
you know not.

Call it
one of the mercies
of the road:
that we see it
only by stages
as it opens
before us,
as it comes into
our keeping
step by
single step.

There is nothing
for it
but to go
and by our going
take the vows
the pilgrim takes:

to be faithful to
the next step;
to rely on more
than the map;

to heed the signposts
of intuition and dream;
to follow the star
that only you
will recognize;

to keep an open eye
for the wonders that
attend the path;
to press on
beyond distractions
beyond fatigue
beyond what would
tempt you
from the way.

There are vows
that only you
will know;
the secret promises
for your particular path
and the new ones
you will need to make
when the road
is revealed
by turns
you could not
have foreseen.

Keep them, break them,
make them again:
each promise becomes
part of the path;
each choice creates
the road
that will take you
to the place
where at last
you will kneel

to offer the gift
most needed—
the gift that only you
can give—
before turning to go
home by
another way.

Sunday Scriptures	
Is. 60:1-6	Ephesians 3:2-3a. 5-6
Ps 72:1-2. 7-8.10-13	Matt 2:1-12

Tri-C Christian Ministries

Any kind of bean, dried or canned

🕯️ JANUARY	
03	+Georgette Dyer
10	+Gerald, Marion, and Baby Doyle +Peter & Angie Sapienza +Darlene * Catherine Wollak

🕯️ Reflecting on the Word _____

*How does the Light of Christ guide you
in these uncertain times?
When you are making decisions do you pray
for the light of the Spirit to guide you?*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

JANUARY	
03	Feast of the Epiphany
05	Communion Service, 12:15p
10	2nd Sun OT
12	Ministers' Gathering
17	3rd Sun OT
18	Christian Unity Week (18-25)

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| 06 Michael Reikowsky | 21 Inez Chavez Trejo |
| 08 Francisco Fuentes | 22 Caroline Kerr |
| 10 Anahi Parral | 23 Huey Cortez |
| 11 Zenaida Parral | 25 Tim Atkins |
| 13 Luis Martinez | Braulio Mata |
| 16 Jenny Ardizzola | 27 Catalina Hernandez |
| Barry Blackburn | 29 Claire Golden |
| Epi Cortez | 30 Marta Segura-Lopez |
| 20 Isabella Estrada | 2 Dolores Spicer |
| Cecelia Jones | |

- 01 Minnie & Julian Espino
02 Mary & Barry Blackburn
03 Meg & Bill Bresse



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Thank you so much!!



*Sisters of St. Joseph ~ Maxim 98
Suffering touches everyone.
Unite yours to God and all who suffer.*

- 🕯️ *Shared suffering is one expression
of our mission of unioning love.*
- 🕯️ *I wish to be as deeply human as Jesus,
as all the Dear Neighbors.*
- 🕯️ *Pray and take action to mitigate global
climate change by the choices you make.*

🕯️ Prayer Request

+S. Mary Jane Daily, S.S.J.
*born to eternal life on December 21, 2020
In the 66th year of her religious life.*



*Eternal rest, grant her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.
May she rest in peace. Amen.*



Christmas Flowers



Household

Peggy
Reikowsky

In Honor/Memory

Living and deceased members
of the Dana Family