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January 8, 2023
The Epiphany of the Lord

*They opened
their treasures and
offered him gifts of*

*gold,
frankincense,
and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11

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Living God's Word

We pray that the light of God's love, shown to us in Jesus Christ and placed within us with the gift of faith, may lead others to this same faith. We also pray that we may continue our own journey into the mystery of God and find Christ waiting for us at journey's end.

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Saturday	<u>January 7</u>
5:30 pm	Theresa Minella
7:00 pm (Español)	Cristian Pichardo
Sunday	<u>January 8</u>
7:30 am	The People of the Parish
9:00 am	Jaime Lomibao
10:30 am	Marykutti Rense
12:00 pm	In Honor of St. Gertrude
1:15 pm (Español)	Sp. Int.: The Valencia Family In Thanksgiving to Mary for another year of life
Monday	<u>January 9</u>
7:00 am	Ramon Fernandez
9:00 am	Sp. Int.: Kristabel Pineda—Birthday
7:30pm	Rosalie Sabaybay Del Rosario
Tuesday	<u>January 10</u>
7:00 am	Genaro Baniqued, Jr.
9:00 am	Jose & Nina Sebastian
7:30 pm	The McCabe Family
Wednesday	<u>January 11</u>
7:00 am	Luz Marquez
9:00 am	Carmelita Fernandez
7:30 pm	Walter H. Mischler
Thursday	<u>January 12</u>
7:00 am	Alicia Del Rosario Remo—1st Anniv.
9:00 am	Patricia Victory
7:30 pm	Anna Arnholts—Birthday
Friday	<u>January 13</u>
7:00 am	Ligaya Bathan
9:00 am	Antoinette Morrone—15th Anniv.
7:30 pm	Benigno Rivera, Jr.
Saturday	<u>January 14</u>
7:00 am	Sp. Int.: Joseph Jeen & Ancy George
9:00 am	Frances B. Gorman
5:30 pm	Minda Azachee, Patricia and Vicente Napoles
7:00 pm (Español)	Carlos Zuniga y Zoila Bermeo
Sunday	<u>January 15</u>
7:30 am	The People of the Parish
9:00 am	Bienvenida Calingan—1st Anniv.
10:30 am	The Cannova and Jones Families
12:00 pm	Madelyn McHale
1:15 pm (Español)	Steve Denyko

Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Rev. John Baron, and Joseph Miles Keeney in your prayers.

True Happiness

Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God, and in this way you will become truly happy.

— Blessed Henry Suso

Santo Niño

The annual observance of Santo Niño by our Filipino Community will take place at the 5:30pm Mass next Saturday evening, followed by a party in Conlon Hall. All are welcome!

First Penance

Please keep our youngsters in your prayers as they celebrate for the first time the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the next two Saturdays.

Right to Life March

After a long break due to Covid, the Knights of Columbus will be traveling to DC on Friday, January 20th for the annual March for Life. The bus leaves at 6am from St. John's parking lot, (Bergenfield) and will drop us off at the Mall in DC; we depart from St. Peter's Church in DC and arrive back at St. John's approximately 10pm.

The cost is \$25.00 per person and \$50.00 per family. Please join our local Knights in this very important mission for those that don't have a voice - "The Unborn".

For more information, contact GK Gerry Flood (914) 343-5508.



They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.
— Matthew 2:11b

Picture a nativity scene in your mind's eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance." The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God's mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

We celebrate today the arrival of the Magi at the Bethlehem stable, bringing their gifts, both symbolic and real, to the “newborn King.” Although the gifts had true monetary value, which may have helped to sustain the Holy Family during their exile in Egypt, they also symbolized the kingship, divinity, and humanity of Jesus. May we honor Jesus each day by the gift of our lives used in loving service to others!

Let me also express my gratitude for the many Christmas gifts sent to me and to the priests and deacons during the Christmas season. We are truly blessed with such loving parishioners!

The Christmas season ends tomorrow night, with the observance of the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is usually celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany, but the calendar does not allow for this extension this year. Speaking of calendars, I am grateful to Riewerts Memorial Home for sponsoring our parish calendars again this year. If they have not already arrived after the new company's final corrections, they will be here shortly. Thank you for your patience!

Msgr. Richard Arnolds, Pastor

Reflection on Today's Scripture Readings

They were men in love with the lights of night—astrologers, star-gazers, meaning-makers tuned in to the signs in the heavens, as Matthew tells it. A strange star moving across the sky led them into Israel. Arriving in Jerusalem, they asked where the newborn king of the Jews was, so they could offer homage.

Herod was less than delighted, indeed “greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him,” at hearing of a new king on the block (Matthew 2:3). But he assembled the chief priests and the scribes, who remembered that the prophet Micah had proclaimed that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.

So they set out again, with Herod's duplicitous request whispered into their ears. The star reappeared and led them to the house where the child and his mother were. Falling down in worship, they offered gifts, and went back home. End of story—as we like to remember it.

Of course, that is not the end. Receiving no word, Herod is enraged and orders the death of all children under the age of two. Joseph, Mary, and the child flee to Egypt. Power does not welcome competition, even in the form of a child.

But God wills all people to know salvation. Jesus came to draw all into the reign of God and to empower them to live the God-life that is the Father's gift. The darkness of evil continues to threaten but it will not overcome as long as there are those who seek the light, follow it, and allow it to lead them to the child. —James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R. Copyright © 2013, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

Stewardship: Sharing our Time, Talent, and Treasure!

“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” MATTHEW 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

Our Sunday Offering: Sunday, November 27, 2022 — \$18,063.28

November 28, 2021 — \$20,204.01 ~ November 29, 2020 COVID19 LIMITATIONS—\$12,809.53 (by mail/electronic)

Escritorio del Párroco

Estimados Feligreses,

Hoy celebramos la llegada de los Reyes Magos al establo de Belén, trayendo sus regalos, tanto simbólicos como reales, al “Rey recién nacido”. Aunque los obsequios tenían un verdadero valor monetario, lo que pudo haber ayudado a sostener a la Sagrada Familia durante su exilio en Egipto, también simbolizaban la realeza, la divinidad y la humanidad de Jesús. ¡Que podamos honrar a Jesús cada día con el regalo de nuestras vidas utilizadas en el servicio amoroso a los demás!

Permítanme también expresar mi gratitud por los muchos regalos de Navidad que me enviaron a mí y a los sacerdotes y diáconos durante la temporada navideña. ¡Estamos verdaderamente bendecidos con feligreses tan amorosos!

El tiempo de Navidad termina mañana por la noche, con la observancia del Bautismo del Señor. Esta fiesta se suele celebrar el domingo siguiente a la Epifanía, pero el calendario no permite esta ampliación este año. Hablando de calendarios, estoy agradecido con Riewerts Memorial Home por patrocinar nuestros calendarios parroquiales nuevamente este año. Si aún no han llegado después de las correcciones finales de la nueva empresa, estarán aquí en breve. ¡Gracias por su paciencia!

Monseñor Richard Arnhols, Párroco

Reflexión de las Escrituras de Hoy

Eran hombres enamorados de las luces brillantes—astrólogos, observadores de las estrellas, sabios sintonizados con los signos celestiales, tal como lo dice Mateo. Una estrella que se movía por el firmamento, los dirigió hacia Israel. Al llegar a Jerusalén preguntaron dónde estaba el rey de los judíos recién nacido para adorarlo.

Herodes no estaba nada contento; es más, “se alarmó y con él toda Jerusalén” al saber del nuevo rey (Mateo 2:3). Así fue que convocó a los jefes de los sacerdotes y a los escribas, quienes recordaron lo que había proclamado el profeta Miqueas acerca del Mesías que nacería en Belén.

Así es que los magos se pusieron en camino de nuevo, con la petición engañosa que Herodes les había susurrado al oído. La estrella apareció de nuevo y los llevó a la casa donde estaban el niño y su madre. Al verlo se postraron en tierra y lo adoraron, le ofrecieron regalos y regresaron a su país. Así termina la historia—tal como nos gusta recordarla. Por supuesto que éste no es el final. Al no recibir noticias Herodes se enfurece y ordena la muerte de todos los niños menores de dos años. José, María y el niño huyen a Egipto. El poder no admite competencia, ni aun en la forma de un niño.

Pero Dios quiere que todas las personas se salven. Jesús vino a llevar a todos al reino de Dios y a habilitarlos de manera que puedan vivir la vida que Dios Padre les ha ofrecido como don. Las tinieblas del mal continúan amenazando, pero no vencerán mientras haya personas que buscan la luz, la siguen y dejan que esa luz las conduzca hasta el niño. —James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R. Derechos de autor © 2013, World Library Publications. Todos los derechos reservados.

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“Entonces abrieron sus cofres y le ofrecieron sus regalos de oro, incienso y mirra” MATEO 2:11

La imagen de los Magos arrodillados ante el niño Jesús, abriendo los cofres y los tesoros que tenían para Él, es una imagen que todos debemos tratar de seguir cada día. En agradecimiento por todo lo que hemos recibido, somos llamados a compartir con generosidad todos nuestros dones, no solo aquellos que escogemos. Dios quiere que seamos generosos con todos ellos, pero especialmente con aquel que tiene más significado para nosotros.

Nuestra Ofrenda Dominical: domingo, 27 de noviembre 2022 — \$18,063.28 ~ 28 de noviembre 2021 — \$20,204.01
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We pray, O Lord, that your servant Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, who served by your will on earth as the visible foundation of your Church's unity, may be happily admitted to your blessed flock.

—Various Prayers for the Dead, For a Pope



His Holiness

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

1927-2022

Born Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger – April 16, 1927

Ordained Priest – June 29, 1951

Ordained Bishop – Archbishop of München und Freising
– May 28, 1977

Created Cardinal-Priest of Santa Maria Consolatrice al
Tiburino – June 27, 1977

Appointed Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine
of the Faith – November 25, 1981

Created Cardinal-Bishop of Velletri-Segni – April 5, 1993

Confirmed Dean of the College of Cardinals November
30, 2002

Elected Pope Benedict XVI – April 19, 2005

Inaugurated Petrine Ministry – April 24, 2005

Resigned Papacy – February 28, 2013

Entered Eternal Life – December 31, 2022

St. John's Prayer Groups

Legion of Mary ~ Meets each Saturday, 9:30am-11:00am in the
Lower Church (English)

Padre Pio Prayer Group ~ Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month,
3pm—5pm in the Lower Church.

St. John's Youth Group - Meets on Sunday 7pm-9pm, Youth Room,
Lower Church. For more information contact Eric Acosta,
ericacosta7@msn.com

EL Shaddai DWXI-PPFI Bergenfield Cell Group - meets 2nd & 4th
Saturday 1:30pm-5:30pm in the Lower Church. Come & Be Blessed by
the "Healing Message". For more info, contact Lhot Liwanag at
201.233.8235 or John Teopengco at 201.658.4032.

Anointing Fire Ministry Group - Meets Mondays 7pm-10pm in the
Parish Life Center Chapel. Also, meets the 2nd Friday of the month from
10pm—6:30am for Eucharistic Adoration & Praise, in the Lower Church.

Sacraments

Penance - Saturdays: 1:00pm-2:00pm in the Church.

Baptisms - English - 3:00pm
2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month
Spanish—2:45pm—4th Sunday of the month

Instructions for parents will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month in
English at 1:30pm in the Parish Life Center Basement and the 3rd
Sunday of the month in Spanish at 2:45pm in the Parish Life Center
Gathering Room for parents having their first child baptized. All
parents must be registered parishioners and present the child's
birth certificate at the time of arranging the baptism. Godparents must
be practicing Catholics, at least sixteen years of age, who have
received the Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist, and, if married,
the Sacrament of Matrimony. Sponsor certificate must be presented at
least one week before Baptism.

**PLEASE NOTE! We are accepting registrations for Baptisms for
February and beyond.**

NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT—FEBRUARY 22—APRIL 7

Please call the Rectory at 201-384-0101 for information.

Matrimony - Arrangements for a wedding should be made at least one
year in advance. Please contact one of the priests, 201-384-0101.

Food Pantry

Scripture tells us, "It is more blessed to give, than to
receive." You are truly blessed for your willingness to help
others. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Food items needed in January:

Cereal, oatmeal, canned tuna, tomato sauce, mac&cheese

If you would like to volunteer to assist the St. John's food
pantry team, please contact Joe McHale
201-655-1073, joemc1217@gmail.com

Come & Pray

Adoration This Week:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

12pm—6:30pm



Memorial Fund / Special Intention

We are now offering weekly memorial opportunities for the
hosts that are used at Mass, the Sanctuary Candle, and flowers
for the altar.

If you would like to contribute to this memorial fund, while at
the same time being able to remember living or deceased loved
ones in a special way, please stop by the rectory. The memorial
items will be listed in the appropriate week's bulletin.

Altar Bread (Hosts) - \$50.00

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(1 or 2 baskets)

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- La Palabra ~ lunes, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm
- Legión de María ~ martes, Capilla del Parish Life Center de 6:00pm ~ 7:30pm
- Tienda del Encuentro ~ martes
Basement del Parish Life Center de 7:00pm ~ 10:00pm
- Emaús Mujeres ~ miércoles, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm
- Emaús Hombres ~ miércoles, Basement del Parish Life Center de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm
- Grupo de Oración Luz y Vida ~ jueves, Iglesia de abajo de 7:30pm ~ 9:30pm
- Devoción a la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo ~ viernes
Basement del Parish Life Center de 8:00pm ~ 9:00pm
- Ministerio Matrimonios Con Cristo ~ tercer viernes del mes, Iglesia de abajo de 8:00pm ~ 9:45pm

Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

Oramos para que la luz del amor de Dios, revelada para nosotros en Jesucristo y puesta en nosotros como don de fe, pueda llevar a otras personas a esa misma fe. Oramos también para poder continuar nuestro propio camino hacia el misterio de Dios y encontrar a Cristo esperándonos al final del camino. *Derechos de autor © 2013, World Library Publications. Todos los derechos reservados.*

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