

January 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the Lord



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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sacrament of the Eucharist:

Weekdays: Mon-Fri: 7:30 am

Weekend: **Sat. Vigil:** 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 3:00pm - 3:30pm and
anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick and Ministry to the Sick:

Please call the rectory anytime a
person is sick and would like to
be anointed or visited.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please call our parish office to
arrange pre-Baptismal
instruction and the time of the
ceremony.

Sacrament of Holy Orders:

**Contact Fr. Joe Ashe or
Fr. Walter Nagle, 860 434
1660, if you want to learn more
about becoming a priest or a
deacon, or contact Fr. Greg
Galvin at the Vocations
Office: 860 887 9294.**

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must
begin at least six months before
actual ceremony. Please call our
parish office.

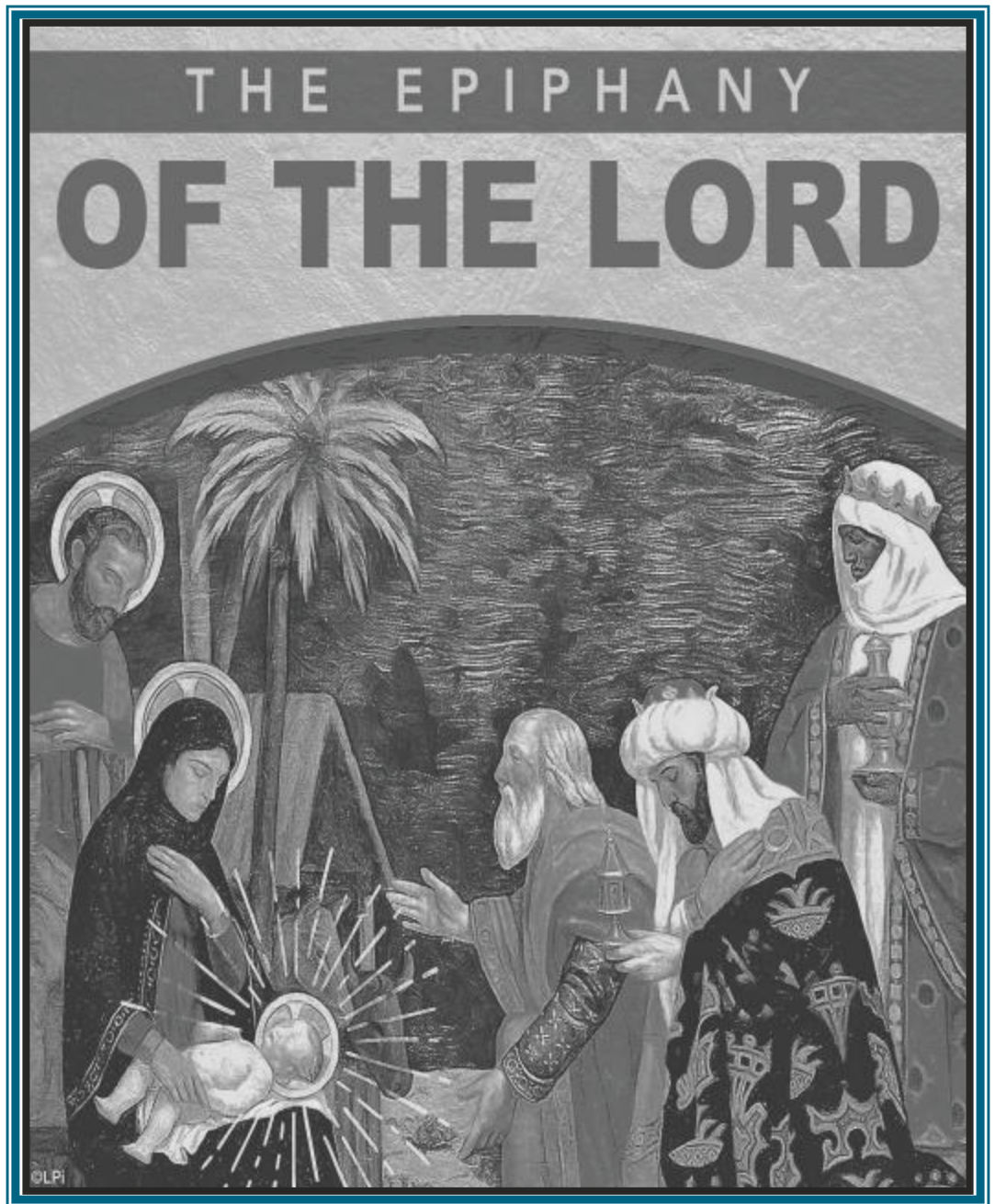
Sacrament of Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation begins
in the 9th grade and the
sacrament is received in the 10th
grade. Adults can join the
RCIA program; contact the
parish office.

Holy Days of Obligation:

7:30am & 6:30pm (No evening
Mass the day before the Holy Day.)

The Rosary is prayed Tuesdays
at 4:30pm in the parish library.
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Fr. Joe Ashe and Fr. Walter Nagle at the Rectory: 860-434-1660

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Sexual Misconduct Services: 1-800-624-7407

MASS Schedule this Week

Saturday Dec. 29 Fifth Day of the Octave of the Nativity

4:00pm Healing for Patricia Gilman and Harvey



SUNDAY Dec. 30 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am Robert and Marguerite Graves

10:30am Eleanor Rickett r/b a friend
Stephen Bohn r/b Peter and Betty Gallagher
Cathy Decker r/b Peter and Betty Gallagher

Mon. Dec. 31 Seventh Day of the Octave of the Nativity New Year's Eve

7:30am Jepson O'Connell

4:00pm The Parishioners of Christ the King

Tues. Jan. 1 Mary, the Holy Mother of God - HOLY DAY

9:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King

Wed. Jan. 2 St. Basil the Great and Gregory and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church

7:30am Don McCue

Thurs. Jan. 3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:30am Siro and Ellen Toffolon

Friday Jan. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:30am Catherine and Agnes Martin

Saturday Jan. 5 St. John Neuman, Bishop

4:00pm Frederick W. Rubelmann, Jr. r/b his family

SUNDAY Jan. 6 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am Ed Ryan

10:30am Richard and Josephine DellErba r/b their daughter Cheryl Parsons

The SANCTUARY lamp for the month of January will be lit for Andrew and Mary Maietta.



"COMING FROM A LAND THAT WORSHIPPED STARS, THEY FELL DOWN AND WORSHIPPED HIM WHO MADE THE STARS."
-- Venerable Fulton Sheen

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Q: In our church, on the feast of Epiphany, we write initials over the doorway. What does this stand for or mean?

A: Epiphany, like Christmas, is celebrated in various ways by different nationalities and cultures. The customs and traditions surrounding these days give them a distinct feel and meaning.

In many Slavic traditions, Epiphany is observed by marking the year on the mantle of the entrance to a room or house. In the center are the initials of the traditional names of the three wise men: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. The purpose is to ask God's blessing on the home, marking it as though the Wise Men had come and found therein the Christ Child. It reminds us of the marking of the doorways in Egypt with the blood of the lamb so that the angel of death would pass over. God's blessing comes to each home as a source of protection and grace.

In some places, Epiphany is celebrated much like a mini-Christmas. Gifts are exchanged in memory of the gifts of the Wise Men and special meals are prepared. In any event, the manifestation of Christ as the Light of the World is a time to seek God's blessing and rejoice in the gift of Jesus to us and to all the world.



THIS weekend, at the 10:30am Mass, we welcome:

Joseph Kazadi and his wife Martine Kabanga, and their three children, Miriama, Drysile, and Joey.

They are sponsored by the Refugee Assistance Group (First Congregational, Christ the King, St. Ann).

THERE WILL BE A SMALL COFFEE RECEPTION TO WELCOME THE FAMILY FOLLOWING THE 10:30am MASS in Our Lady of Good Counsel Hall (JAN 6, 2019): PLEASE COME ONE AND ALL!!

As citizens of the Republic of Congo, a nation located in west-central Africa, Martine Kabanga and Joseph Kazadi, were forced to leave their home on May 1, 2012 with 3 of their 4 children: Miriama, Drysile, and Joey. Tragically, their 20 year old son, Shadrack Olivier and Martine's brother, Bertrand, did not escape with them. Because of Martine's profession as a journalist who wrote articles about human rights and Joseph's as an attorney, they faced insecurity and persecution. After they fled the Republic of the Congo they spent 1 year in refugee camps in Kakuma and then relocated in Nairobi for a total of 4 years. Their lives have been very difficult and filled with stress and trauma. Even though they are safe here, sometimes an unexpected event reminds them of all that they have endured. They are eternally grateful to have been given the opportunity to live in the USA. Their "heros" are all Americans who welcome them as refugees into the U.S., the staff of the Integrated Resettlement and Immigration Services who began the process of resettlement in New Haven, and now the people of Old Lyme who have opened their hearts and hands to welcome and support them. For the next year they are residing in the refugee home on Rogers Lake Trail after which time they will seek a permanent residence. Their three children are enrolled in Old Lyme schools. Joseph says often "May God bless America and Old Lyme". We feel blessed by their presence.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
RECOGNIZING GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

"The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke was first published in 1895. It tells the fictional story of Artaban, a fourth wise man who began a journey to visit Jesus, the newborn King. Unlike his fellow Magi, he failed to make it there for the birth of Jesus because he kept pausing to help various people in need. In fact, it took him about 33 years of searching before his quest comes to an abrupt end when he is hit in the head with a falling roof shingle. His final breath takes place in Jerusalem near the place where Jesus is being crucified. As he lies dying, he hears the voice of Jesus telling him that the gifts he has given all along the way to "the least of these" he has actually given to Jesus himself.

If you have never read this story or seen the made-for-television movie based on the tale, you really should seek it out. It is a story that reminds us of a profound truth: Jesus himself rests in the lives of all those around us in need. In the story, it was the wise man's constant response to a stewardship call that prevented him from getting where he wanted to go. In the end, where he needed to go was more significant than where he thought he should go.

If we live lives of generosity and graciousness, we may find ourselves on constant detours from the road on which we are traveling. It is in the detours and the unexpected circumstances of our journey that often times we find our true purpose in life. We think God is somewhere we must travel to, when in reality, God is closer than we think in the least likely of place.



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Others spontaneously stop by for varying amounts
of time to pray or simply to rest in the blessed silence
and enjoy the peace that only He can give.

*PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP TO SPEND TIME
WITH THE ONE WHO LOVES YOU MOST!*

Don't hesitate to take a fixed time for fear that there
may be times that you can't make it. We have substitutes
who are willing to cover.

For more information, call (860) 399-8265.

The Thursday Morning Bible Group



...meets each Thursday morning at 9:00am
in the room across from the parish office.

Come join us, we can loan you a bible if
you do not have one.

All are welcome!

Scripture Readings: Week of Jan. 6, 2019

Sunday: 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

Mon: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tues: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44

Wed: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52

Thur: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Fri: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16

Sat: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sun.: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30
[1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

To report inappropriate contact of any kind by a
representative of the Diocese of Norwich or for assistance
to victims, please call: **800-624-7407**

***If you would like to submit an item for the bulletin, please
note the deadline is Monday at noon. Thanks!**

OUR PARISH SUPPORT:

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Saturday, February 16, 2019, 8:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 17, 2019, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

\$65.00/ adult for both days, lunch included.

To register visit

flcenter.org or franciscanhc.org

Call: 203-237-8084 for more information

Sacristan Help Needed:

Our parish is in need of someone to serve as a sacristan at the
10:30am Mass. Commitment is once a month. If interested in
learning how to set up before, and clean up the altar area after
Mass, please contact Meg Cunningham at 860 388 3585, or email
her at mmcngam@comcast.net. Thank you!

Regularly scheduled parish events:

Rosary	Every Tuesday	4:30 pm
Bible Study	Every Thursday	9:00am
Parish Pot Luck Supper	Last Friday of every Month	5:45pm
Holy Trinity Pro-Life Meeting	1 st Wednesday	7:00pm
Men's Club	1 st Thursday	6:30pm
Children's Choir	Every Tuesday	6:15 -7:15pm
Adult Choir	Every Tuesday	7:30pm
N.L. Soup Kitchen <u>Sign-up</u>	1st Sun., odd-numbered months	
N.L. Soup Kitchen <u>Serve</u>	2nd Sun., odd-numbered months	
Shoreline Soup Kitchen <u>Sign-up</u>	2nd Sun., even-numbered months	
Shoreline Soup Kitchen <u>Serve</u>	3rd Sat., even-numbered months	
"New Life" Prison Ministry of South Eastern CT	2nd Thursday	9 am

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Are you considering separation or divorce?
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Or, visit the Website at
**www.retrouvaille.org, or
helpourmarriage.org**



For those who are ill

If you know someone is ill, homebound, *or* in the hospital and would like the Eucharist brought to them and/or a visit from Fr. Joe or Fr. Walter, *please* call the parish office, 860-434-1669.

When being admitted to the hospital...

We urge parishioners to let Fr. Joe or Fr. Walter know about hospitalizations **EVERY** time they come go the hospital. The new privacy rules (HIPPA) do **not** allow for information to be carried over from one hospital visit to the next. This means that if you have given permission for your church to be contacted **the last time you were in the hospital**, that permission is not continued with any future visits.

The chief complaint hospital pastoral care receives from parish clergy is they were not contacted about a parishioner's hospitalization. The hospital pastoral care department, reluctantly has to let all pastors know they cannot contact them without express permission from the patient **EACH AND EVERY TIME THEY ARE IN THE HOSPITAL.**

*** The best situation is for parishioners to call, or have a family member call the church when you are in the hospital, **and** when in the hospital, **give permission for them to contact the church.** Our priests **want** to know about parishioners in the hospital (visiting the sick is a considered by most priests to be one of their highest priorities). Don't assume that word will get to them. Let your priests know! ***



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Start the New Year out right enriching your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next Weekends are Feb 1-3, 2019 in Manchester, CT and Jul 12-14, 2019 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Pat & Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or

visit them at **www.mectw.org**.

CT Right to Life March For Life Buses



January 22, 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the Supreme Court's infamous abortion-on-demand ruling. Because of that decision, millions of pre-born babies have been denied their most basic right - their right to life. On Friday, January 18, 2019,

hundreds of thousands of people from across the nation will assemble in Washington, D.C. to visibly express their opposition to abortion.

On Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 9 P.M., buses sponsored by the Connecticut Right to Life Eastern Chapter will leave from the Norwich Municipal Parking Lot (Exit 11, I-395) and travel to D.C. to attend the March For Life on Friday, January 18, 2019. Bus fare is \$67 per person. For further information or to reserve a seat or sponsor a seat, please call Margaret Becotte at 860-822-1362. If you are unable to attend the March For Life, please consider sponsoring a seat on the bus. Thank you.

WHAT: Bus to March for Life in Washington DC

WHEN: Thurs, Jan. 17, 2019 at 9:00pm

WHERE: Bus departs the Norwich Municipal parking lot (I 395, exit 11)

COST: \$67/ person

Do you want to register with the parish?

Welcome!

Have you changed your address, are you moving out of or into the parish, or would like to receive envelopes? Please call the office, 860-434-1669. Or, you can fill out the following and return via the basket, drop it at the office, or mail to: 1 McCurdy Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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