

# Epiphany of the Lord ~ January 8, 2023

Gospel Reflection: We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

## Saturday, January 7, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: Augustino Azevedo †  
Requested by: Armelim & Leonor Silveira  
Intention: João F. DeSousa †  
Requested by: Fernanda Borges

### **5:30pm Mass**

Intention: Joe Coelho †  
Requested by: Wife  
Intention: Joe & Rosa Sousa †  
Requested by: Joe Sousa Family

## Sunday, January 8, 2023

### ***Epiphany of the Lord***

### **7:00 am Mass**

Intention: Michael Vierra †  
Requested by: Parish Community

### **10:00am Mass**

Intention: Iracema Pires †  
Requested by: Parish Community  
Intention: Joe Castro †  
Requested by: C.P.I.D.E.S.

### **\*11:30am Portuguese Mass**

Intention: Joe M. Oliveira †  
Requested by: Ed Agueda Family  
Intention: Joe O. Rocha †  
Requested by: Hilary Borba

### **5:00 pm St. Mary's • Stevinson**

Intention: All Those Inscribed in the  
St. Mary's Memorial Book

### **6:30 pm St. Mary's Spanish Mass**

Intention: People of the Parish

**\*Please Note: Time Change**

## Tuesday, January 10, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: José & Filomena Borba †  
Requested by: John & Doralice Rocha  
Intention: José Castro †  
Requested by: Joaquin & Rosa Fraga

## Wednesday, January 11, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: Deceased Family Members †  
Requested by: Firmino & Mary Martins  
Intention: Antonio & Florinda Lopes †  
Requested by: Angela L. Machado

### **10:00am Rosary † Funeral for *Manuel Andrade***

## Thursday, January 12, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: Lucy Costa †  
Requested by: Husband  
Intention: Lurdes & Domingos Batista †  
Requested by: João & Etelvina Lemos

## Friday, January 13, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: Francisco & Maria Gaspar †  
Requested by: Adelina Enes  
Intention: Carmen Mora †  
Requested by: Alejandra Family

### **Friday's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5pm in the Mission Church**

**5:00pm Confessions New Church**

## Saturday, January 14, 2023

### **8:00am Mass**

Intention: Jose & Iracema Pires &  
Francisca Linhares †  
Requested by: Pires Family

### **5:30pm Mass**

Intention: Francisco & Rosa Fagundes †  
Requested by: José & Estelle Coelho  
Intention: Julio Agueda †  
Requested by: Wife

## Sunday, January 15, 2023

### **7:00 am Mass**

Intention: Manuel M. Barros †  
Requested by: Rosalina Castro

### **8:30am Portuguese Mass**

Intention: Manuel & Jovina Lima †  
Requested by: Joe & Luisa Liima  
Intention: Alvarinho Luis †  
Requested by: Fatima Brasil Family

### **10:00am Mass**

Intention: Joe Faria †  
Requested by: Tony & Diane Diniz  
Intention: Joe M. Oliveira †  
Requested by: Wife & Family

### **5:00pm St. Mary's • Stevinson**

Intention: Leonel & Rosemary Mendonca †  
Requested by: Greg & Shirley Vierra

### **6:30pm St. Mary's Spanish Mass**

Intention: People of the Parish

**Let us remember and pray** for our beloved departed, especially for **Manuel Andrade** that they may receive the abundant fruit of God's presence and also for their loved ones that they may receive God's consolation and peace at this difficult time.

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Christopher Amarante, Olivia Avila, George Azevedo, Rebecca Bennett, Jack Betschart, Isidro Bettencourt, Janet Cabral, Arlene Cardoso, Tina Carmo, River Cipponeri, Dan & Shirley Coelho, Nisa Cox, Ann Depalma, Celeste Drumonde, Joe Dutra, Randy Edwards, Jorge Espinoza, Gary Fernandes, Elvira Freitas, Frank & Anthony Freitas, Jared Germann, Andrew Godino, Jennifer Gonzales, Debbie Hutchins, R. J. Jefferson, Nayiree Kapeghian, Doris Krikorian, Pascal Labrousche, Brian Lawrence, John Lopes, Janice Louro, Joe Louro, **Michael Machado**, Celina Nunes Mancebo, David Mardone, Mary Marson, Tony Martins, Tere Mason, Loretta McFaddin, Luis Melo, Malissa Mendes, Lewis Mendes, Margaret Mendes, **Nelda Mendonca**, Edward Meneses, Amaia & Ameiya Michel, Jorge Oliveira, Anthony Parreira, Zeb Parreira, Maria Pessoa, Marina Pinkerton, Dave Ramos, Marie Reis, John Rocha, MaryJo Rocha-Pires, Maria Rosa, Joe Silva, Kathleen Silva, Violante Silva, Manuel Silva, Lucy Silveira, Sandra Smith, Carolina Sousa, Ida Sousa, Julia Sousa, Lilly Sousa, Judite Teixeira, Luciano Terra, Jeanne Tristant, & Maria Vieira. **Please remember if you have an ill family member or friend that you would like to include on our prayer list or even have a visit by the priest call the parish office at 667-8961.**

# CCD NEWS...



## CCD Returns THIS WEEK!

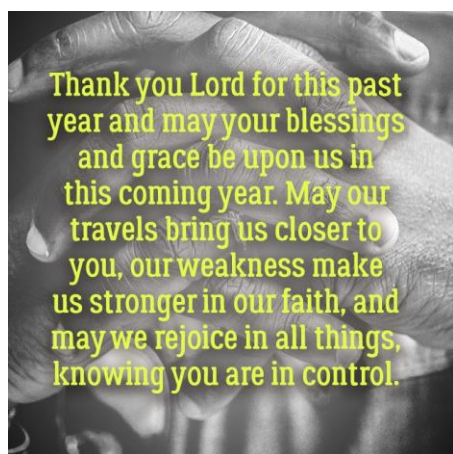
Hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's. We will be resuming CCD classes this week and look forward to seeing all the boys and girls! HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

## Snack Donations Needed

Our snack levels are low. If you are able to donate some individually wrapped snacks, we will be greatly appreciative. You can scan the QR code below to go directly to our Amazon Wish List with lots of snack choices that can be delivered directly to the parish office. Thank you!



Please remember to pick up your complimentary book "Holy Moments" by Matthew Kelly. We thank one of our parish families (who wish to remain anonymous) for this generous gift.



## EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

will be held Sunday, January 8, 2023 beginning with the 11:30 Mass (Portuguese) where children are asked to bring a gift to offer to Baby Jesus. These items will later be auctioned at the Parish Hall during an afternoon of fellowship and entertainment and delicious food. Please join us in this special celebration!

**Filhos Sale NEXT weekend** to help defray the Fish Dinner expenses for the Building Fund fundraiser dinner. Please pick up a hot dozen of delicious filhos to enjoy with your morning coffee! We thank all those in advance for their help and willingness to make these available by donating their time, talent and treasure.

### Attention Parish Organizations

All parish groups and organizations that customarily use the parish facilities are reminded that all events must be listed in the Facilities Use Book. Dates will be given on a first come basis. Please submit your requests in writing to the Parish center as soon as possible. Note: dates and events are not carried over from prior year and must be confirmed by each individual organization.

**Attention Church Cleaning Teams:** Please remember to RSVP by January 12th for the upcoming appreciation dinner.

## Mark Your Calendars for Parish Upcoming Events

- **January 15, 2023** –  
*Filhos Sale for Fish Dinner\**
- **February 6, 2023** –  
*Altar Society Filhos Sale*
- **February 10, 2023** –  
*Drive-thru Tri-Tip Dinner*
- **March 24, 2023** - Fish Dinner \*
- **April 15 & 16, 2023** –  
*Portuguese Prayer Group Retreat*

*Please help support these very important parish activities, if not with your time and talent, then with your treasure!*

*\*to Benefit the Building Fund*

## NEXT Weekend January 14 & 15 Special Collection...

will be for the support of our Seminaries and Seminarians of the Diocese of Fresno.

Please remember to pray each day that the Lord will call our people to priesthood and the religious life. For information about the priesthood or religious life contact

Fr. Dan Avila at 559-488-7464.

**Thank you to all those families who made year-end contributions to our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

**19th Annual Walk for Life West Coast** will be taking place on Saturday, January 21, 2023, in San Francisco. *United for Life of Merced* has chartered two buses. This event is one of the most powerful, prayerful, and peaceful Pro-Life protests you will ever attend! Rally at the civic center will be from 12:30-1:30 pm and the walk will begin at 1:30pm. For bus information email [uflmerced@yahoo.com](mailto:uflmerced@yahoo.com) or for event [info@WalkforlifeWC.com](mailto:info@WalkforlifeWC.com) or call 415-658-1793.

### **Monthly Finance Report**

Our Revenues for the month of December (*plate collection, rental fees, weddings & Baptisms*)

**Totaled..... \$51,734.76**

Our expenses for December (*utilities, Diocesan & Education Assessments, Property Taxes, repairs, maintenance, office & church expense, payroll, payroll taxes & insurance*)

**Totaled..... \$49,184.23**

Bottom Line..... \$2,550.53

**OSV for December..... \$8,750.00**



**Our offering collection for...**

**Dec. 31 & Jan 1..... \$5,503.00**

**2022 January 1 & 2..... \$7,622.00**

*Thank You, Obrigado & Gracias!*