

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am & 9:00 am

Saturday: 8:00 am

WEEKEND MASS

4:30 pm Saturday Vigil 7:00 am 8:30 am 10:30am 12:00 pm 1:30 pm Spanish 5:00 pm

Melkite Liturgy ~ January 21 at 6:30pm

RECONCILIATION

8:45 am Saturday 6:30 pm Wednesday Rev. Miguel Batres, O. Praem. Rev. Jack Sewell

> Deacon Bob Kelleher Deacon Mark Martin Deacon John Silberstein

> > MISSION STATEMENT

By loving God and loving one another, we make disciples as we proclaim and live the Gospel. VISION STATEMENT

We are a joyful and Spirit-filled Catholic community where everyone is welcomed, accepted, loved, and is led to encounter Jesus Christ to experience His love, mercy and salvation!

26872 Estanciero Drive, Mission Viejo, CA 92691 ~ 949-586-4440 ~ www.stkilianmissionviejo.org Faith Formation Office: 949-586-4550 ~ Youth Ministry Office: 949-586-7803 Quad-Parish School: St. Junipero Serra Catholic School ~ 23652 Antonio Pkwy, RSM, CA 92688 ~ 949-888-1990

GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the Lord. Lector: The Word of the Lord. ALL: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 | "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

- O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.
- Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.
- The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring him tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.
- For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. ALL: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. 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. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Priest/Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. ALL: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (bow your head through "and became man") and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

ALL: May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again. (OR) Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free. (OR) When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Celebrant: The Mass has ended. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

ALL: Thanks be to God.



ST. KILIAN YOUTH



New and exciting opportunities are coming in 2024 for the Youth of our Church. St. Kilian Youth Ministry provides 6th-12th graders the chance to grow in their faith, make friends at church, plug into a larger community of faithful teens, and encounter Christ. Thanks to the support of our families and parishioners, we're excited to announce major upcoming events!

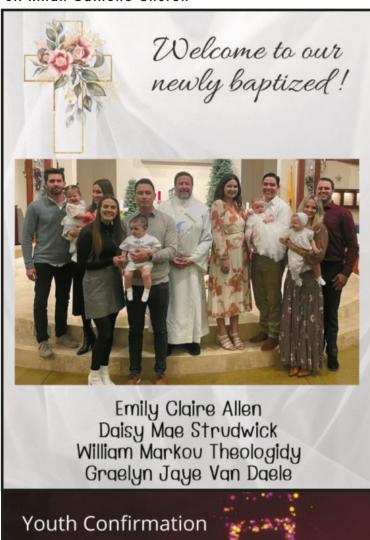
- January 19-21: Confirmation 2 Retreat
- February 3: Confirmation 1 Day Retreat
- February 15: Youth Day @ Anaheim Convention Center
- June 4: 6th Grade Welcome at Edge
- June 5: Freshmen Welcome at SKY
- Monthly Summer Bonfires on Wednesday nights
- June 7-9: SKY Summer Retreat on Catalina Island
- October 11-13 & 25-27: Confirmation 1 Retreats
- November 2: Inspiration @ Six Flags Magic Mountain

SKY: ST. KILIAN YOUTH SKY is our ministry for high schoolers who meet on Wednesdays at 7pm. Teens get a chance to kick it having fun in the SKY Room, diving into various aspects of Catholicism, and identifying with other likeminded teenagers here at St. Kilian. Periodically there are XLTs, Bonfires on the Beach, Ultimate Frisbee, parties, and all sorts of special events. Join us every Wednesday at 7pm and invite your friends! (P.S. No SKY meeting on January 3rd.)

EDGE: MIDDLE SCHOOLERS Edge is our ministry for 6, 7 & 8th graders who meet on Tuesdays at 6:30pm. On the edge of being a teenager, this is the most important time for them to plug into their faith and see what the Church has to offer. Join us Tuesdays at 6:30pm and invite your friends! (But not on January 2!)

YOUTH CONFIRMATION Our Confirmation program provides the faith formation necessary to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. High schoolaged teens go through sessions on ten Sundays while also participating in various activities in the parish to spiritually prepare themselves. Registration for next year's Confirmation will begin on Easter. If you have an 8th grader in your family right now, get ready!

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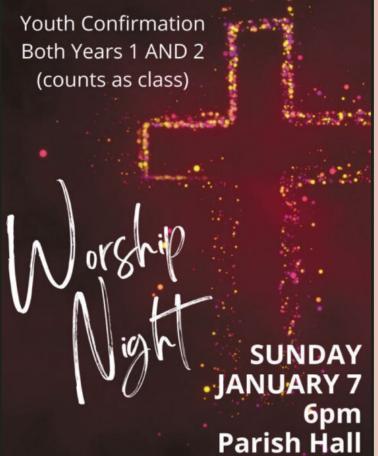
Spring Semester 2024 begins in January!

Meetings every other Friday morning January 12 thru April 10

9 to 11:30am

Fellowship Hot coffee Dynamic speakers Say YES to joining us!







Saturday, January 13 at 8:00 am

The 8:00 am Mass on the **Second Saturday of**every other month includes the Sacrament of
Anointing of the Sick. It is offered to those who
are ill due to sickness, injury or old age, and for
serious mental or emotional illness.

While we are not concerned about the degree of seriousness of the condition, the casual participation in the Sacrament must be avoided in good conscience.

The pews in the center sections will be reserved for those who wish to receive the sacrament. We also remember in our prayers those who are sick but cannot attend the Mass.

Prayer Requests

Requests should be made by email to office@stkilianchurch.org by Monday to appear in the upcoming bulletin, and have permission for publication. Names will appear for four consecutive bulletins. If you are interested in a Mass intention, please contact the office to schedule a Mass.

Those who are sick

Rose Buck Terry Mulcahy Russ Finnegan Evangelina Alcazar Bert Susanka Maria Colfer Manuel Chavarria Michael Pezzaniti Andrea Alonso Carol O'Connell Mary Bitton Lynn de Gerenday Kyle John Gruel David Bugay Eun O. Kim Heiko Peschel Caryn Thein Esthela Sandoval Jim Scheuer Stephanie Shekerlian Sheida Ramezan Judge Frank Caprio Pablo Say Shelly Andrews Mary Ann Mahan

Those who have recently died

Gus Hogan Edward Ciszczon Aurelia Nunnery Carmen Martinez Sheila Kiernan Richard Zamora Hope Griffin Doug Schub Msgr. Colm Conlon Donald Fritsch Ricardo Ramos Bill Mielcarek Maria Fierro Mark Vliss

Martha Mahan Russell Ouinn Richard Quinn John Rette Patty Vera Georgene Herbst Sandra Martin Robert Martin Juan Vargas Jim Gentile

HELLO

Robert Mahan

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Afghanistan: Zach Moreland, Stephen Bohanan, Renee Barrett, Clayton Lamb, Jordan Franco, Robert Charles Holmes Jr, Christopher Papmichail

Bahrain: Christine Cawayan, Richard Erk III Colorado: William Alarcon, William Radecki

Djibouti, East Africa: Andrew Hill East Africa: Daniel "Justin" Fowler

Florida: Charles Madden IV, James Pham Georgia: Reece Ludwig, John Richmond,

Joseph Browne

Germany: Brian Lewerts, Liz Rewerts Hawaii: Robert Ortiz, Renelyn Macapinlac

Idaho: Lauren Elliott Iraq: Brett Conover

Japan: Vince Ramos, Tyler Newton, Brad Cope,

Jordan Tanap, Diego Walker

Libya: Logan Currie

Los Angeles AFB: Charles Salerno Mediterranean Fleet: Dylan Connor

Middle East: Nikko Tanap Mississippi: Brendan Bohen Montana: Daniel Forrest Okinawa: Alfredo Samson Jr.,

Sean & Elizabeth Pham

Pacific: Theodore Bucierka, Scott Burbach

Romania: Zachary Ensign

San Diego/Camp Pendleton: Chris Diaz Rivera, David Rehnberg, Jacob Brandon, Mariel Bongolan

South Carolina: Evan Colclough

South Korea: Christopher Mathis, John Regan,

Pascal Hernandez, Dylan Zanki

Texas: Chase Alarcon, Miranda McElvogue **United Arab Emirates:** Shannon Zintgraff

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Virginia: Rey Tanap, Ryan Bohen,

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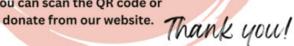
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 8, 2024

6:30 am Thai Le † 9:00 am Ed Olszowka †

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

6:30 am Marie Hanson † 9:00 am John Lester †

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

6:30 am Justin Yrarrazava †

9:00 am Mary Goh & Francis Chia †

Thursday, January 11, 2024

6:30 am Beatrice Gougeon † 9:00 am Dulia Del Prado †

Friday, January 12, 2024

6:30 am Theresa, Ana & Thomas Pham †

9:00 am Intentions of Wilma E. Lim

Saturday, January 13, 2024

8:00 am Bryan Thomas †

4:30 pm For the Parishioners of St. Kilian

Sunday, January 14, 2024

7:00 am Leo Quidim † 8:30 am Thomas Frey †

10:30 am Connie Beltran, Everett Parker, Charlotte

Lonnee, Rebecca Preciado, Maria Landa,

Yap Soat Go, Richard Zamora, Doug Schub and Paz Rivera †

and the intentions of Shelly Andrews
12:00 pm Josita Eggebrech, Kathryn Dowd, Fred

Kesler, Pat Benefeito, Richard Doyle and Alexander Frobe and for the intentions of

Cristina Surmenean & family and

Evangelina Alcazar

1:30 pm Hugo Reyes † 5:00 pm Hilaria Sahagun †

Weekly Offering

December 30/31, 2023

Cash/Checks \$ 14,404

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Weekly Total \$29,168

*Online offertory donations from 12/26 - 12/31/2023

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Weekly Readings

Week of January 8

Monday Isaiah 55:1-11 or Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

1 John 5:1-9 Mark 1:7-11

Tuesday 1 Samuel 1:9-20

1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd

Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20

Psalm 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10

Mark 1:29-39

Thursday 1 Samuel 4:1-11

Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25

Mark 1:40-45

Friday 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a

Psalm 89:16-17, 18-19

Mark 2:1-12

Saturday 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a

Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Mark 2:13-17

Sunday 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Psalm 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

John 1:35-42



Catholic Scripture Study

Resuming our Bible Study on the Prophets of the Old Testament

WINTER SESSION BEGINS! 9:45am (after 9am Mass) - 10:45am St. Kilian Parish Center

The study will return on Monday, January 8 at 9:45 am.

Questions? Eileen or Pete Smith 949-235-9050 or eileen.smith@cox.net









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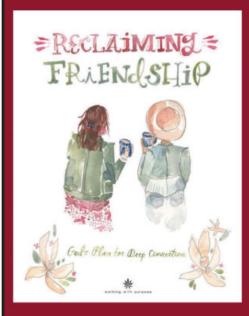
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We have an open chair for you. Come as you are!

Our next women's Bible Study session is about to begin. Join the *Walking with Purpose* Catholic Women's ministry as we journey through Scripture together.



"Reclaiming Friendship: God's Plan for Deep Connection" begins Monday, January 22 at 7:00pm in the St. Kilian Hall.

Order your own book ahead of time from Walking with Purpose at www.walkingwithpurpose.com
Please email Elsa Ortega at stkilianwwp@gmail.com to let her know you will be joining, and if you have any questions!

Unexpected Pregnancy?







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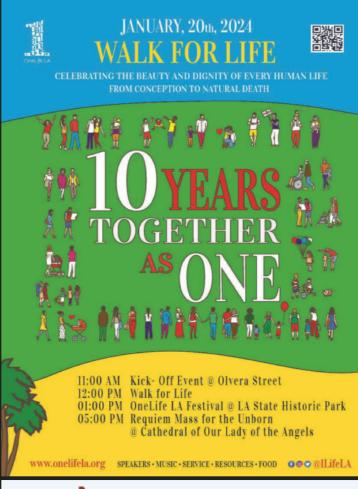
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JOIN US IN THE CHURCH

HOLY HOUR

Fridays 7pm to 8pm

"could you not keep watch with me for one hour?"

What happens during Holy Hour?

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Rosary
- Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 15 minutes of prayerful silence
- · Benediction

Please join us - all are welcome!

REPOUVAILLE A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Retrouvaille of Orange Coast is holding their next weekend experience on January 19-21, 2024, in Santa Ana.
Retrouvaille is a lifeline for couples who are or have experienced stress or conflict in their marriage and who are looking for a way back to a loving relationship. It is a Catholic-based program, but is open to married couples of all faiths. Space is limited, so we encourage registering for the

weekend as early as possible.

For more information and to register online, go to HelpOurMarriage.org



Grief Support Group

Bethary

Loss of a loved one causes grief that can be difficult to handle alone.

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Join our Support Meeting Thursdays at 1:30 pm

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BLOOD DRIVE

St. Kilian Catholic Church **WEDNESDAY, January 10** 11 am to 4 pm

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Walk-ins welcome. Photo ID required. Arrive hydrated.



St. Kilian Council of **Catholic Women**

All women are invited to the **Denim & Diamonds Bingo Luncheon** Friday, January 12th at 11 am St. Kilian Main Hall

\$25 includes Box Lunch with choice of Ham, Tuna, Chicken Salad or Turkey Dessert, Beverages + 1 Bingo Card Check payable to: St Kilian CCW Mail to: Mary Curtis 27932 Windsor, MV 92692

Check MUST be received by Sunday, January 7th Please, no late reservations or walk-ins!

Questions: Call Mary Curtis at 949-400-1968 WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!





PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

Sunday, delicious **January 21** 7 am to noon

\$10 per person Includes: pancakes eggs bacon fruit juice and

coffee!





JANUARY 17



RISTORANTE & BAR

FEBRUARY 7



St. Kilian Catholic Church



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7 de Enero 2024

MISAS

Sagrada Misa Dominical en español a la 1:30 pm

Lunes - Viernes
6:30am y 9:00am en
ingles, tendremos
exposición al Santísimo
de 7am a 8:55am

Sábado 8:00am en ingles

CONFESIONES

En español e inglés los sábados por la mañana después de la Misa de las 8:00am y los miércoles a la 6:30pm

BAUTISMOS

Bautismos en Español, si está interesado en bautizar a su hijo por favor llame a la oficina.

ADOLECENTES

EDGE (Grados 6 a 8) es todos los Martes de 6:30pm a 8:00pm

SKY (High School)
es todos los miércoles
de 7:00pm a 8:30pm

Noticias en el horario....



Padre Miguel le deseamos un feliz cumpleaños y que Dios le siga guiando en su labor sacerdotal para que siga siendo un ejemplo de fe y amor para todos nosotros. Gracias por su dedicación y amor a nuestra comunidad. Que Dios te bendiga siempre.



Misa de Unción a los enfermos:

Sábado 13 de Enero a las 8:00 am.
La misa de las 8:00 am el segundo Sábado de cada mes se ofrece por todos los que están enfermos y necesitan sanidad. El sacramento de la unción a los enfermos se ofrecerá durante la Misa. Los bancos de la sección central de la iglesia estarán reservados para aquellos que deseen recibir el Sacramento. También recordamos en nuestras oraciones a los que están enfermos, pero no pueden asistir a misa.

Jornada de la Juventud 2024

¡Invitación a todos los adolescentes: miles de adolescentes se reunirán en el Centro de Convenciones de Anaheim para celebrar la juventud de la iglesia ¡Únete e invita a tus amigos!

Cuando: el 15 de febrero Hora: 7:30 am -3:30 pm

Que incluye: sesiones de conciertos épicos,

concluyendo con la Sagrada Misa.

Costo: \$40

Llame a la oficina para información. 949-586-4440

SCHEDULE at a glance

SUNDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY MONDAY TUESDAY SATURDAY JAN 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 8am 7 - 9am Annointing Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Mass **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** 10am-12pm 9am MOPS 9:30am 9:30am 8:45am SUNDAY Food Prayer Shawl Families of Pantry Confessions Session A: Nazareth Ministry 10:30a - 1p Session B: 9:45am 12p - 2:30p Cornerstone 9:45am Bible Study 9am-12:30pm New Year 11am-4pm Food with Fr. Mike **Blood Drive** Pantry 6:30pm NAMI 11am Family support Bethany CCW Confirmation 1:30pm Bingo I and 2 6:30pm Luncheon Confessions Worship 5:30pm Night 6pm 6:30pm Shepherds 7pm RCIA Lector 6:30pm of Christ 7pm Rehearsal EXCE Holy Hour 7pm SKY 15 14 16 18 19 17 20 7 - 9am 8:45am Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Adoration Confessions 9:30am Families of 10am-12pm 9am-12:30pm 9:30am Food Nazareth Food Prayer Shawl Pantry 11a-9p Pantry Ministry 7a-12p Delizie 10:30 Mass Dining Knights fundraiser Children's Recycling 9:45am Liturgy of 9:30am SoulCore 11:45am New Year the Word Sisterhood with Fr. Mike of Ruth **FAMILY FAITH** PARISH **FORMATION** OFFICE 10a-12p: 1st Bethany WEDNESDAY CLOSED Reconciliation 1:30pm Session A: Retreat 3:30-4:45p Session B: Year 2 5p - 6:15p Confirmation Retreat 6:30pm Confessions weekend 6:30pm 7pm RCIA 7pm FXGE Holy Hour NO SKY

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 7, 2024 Liturgical Color: WHITE

Parents: We invite you to spend some time discussing this weekend's readings with your children. By helping them understand God's word, you will help build a strong foundation of faith!

Theme: We celebrate Jesus coming to save all people from sin and death. Today is the feast of the three kings who visited the newborn baby Jesus.

Reading (Isaiah 60:1-6)

Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, the prophet Isaiah predicted that one day Jerusalem would become a great and important city, attracting visitors from all around the world. Let's listen to what Isaiah said.

Gospel (Matthew 2:1-12)

Listen to the story of the three wise men who followed the start to Jesus' birthplace. On the way, they stopped in Jerusalem.

Discussion

- What sign did the magi, or wise men, see that told them Jesus was born?
- What did King Herod tell them? Why?
- What did the magi do when they found baby Jesus?
- What kinds of gifts did the magi bring for Jesus?
- Why did the magi not go back to King Herod?
- How can we continue to celebrate the birth of Jesus?



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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