



Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor
Rev. Donbosco, Associate Pastor
Deacon Bill Vrazel

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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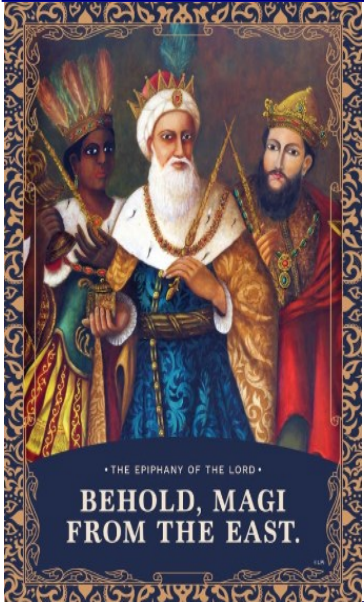
**Sunday,
January 5, 2025**

What In Your Life Seems To Give You Power Over the World?

Have you ever wondered *why* the magi had gold, frankincense, and myrrh? Matthew's Gospel tells us, "Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Matt. 2:11). Why are these things their "treasures"? One possible answer is they were magicians and astrologers, and these three items were the tools of their questionable trade. In offering them to Christ, they demonstrate that they will cease using such items to predict or control life. They place this baby-king, the God of Israel, at the center of their lives, and not their own devices of control, manipulation and prediction.

Isn't that what we need to do, too? Consider, for example, the magical power of money, symbolized by the magi's gold. Seemingly whatever we ask of money, it does. It wields a god-like power over the world. It can predict the future by guaranteeing better outcomes for us — which is why it is such a tempting alternative to trusting in God. The problem is such absolute trust in money enslaves us to the economic forces that make money so powerful. In paying homage to Jesus with "gold" (i.e., tithing), we participate in his authority over (and therefore freedom from) the magical sway of money.

What things in your life do you use to predict or control your future? What in your life seems to give you power over the world? Those are your treasures. Are you tired of feeling enslaved to them? Find a way to open them and give them to Christ, and you will be freer.
— *Father John Muir*



**TODAY'S
READINGS**

First Reading: Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

Psalm: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

Second Reading: 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. (Eph 3:5-6)

Gospel: "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

**READINGS
FOR THE
WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

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

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

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

Next Sunday: 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

**Events
of the
Week**

Monday, January 6, 2025 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am MASS - Church - 9:00 am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts - Parish Hall - 10:00 am Parish Prayer Group - Chapel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Adoration - Church - 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm RECONCILIATION offered in Church - 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel
Tuesday, January 7 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5:00 pm KOC Officers and General Meeting - Parish Hall - 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel - 7:00 pm MASS - Chapel 	
Wednesday, January 8 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6:30 am Java & Jesus - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am MASS with Moms - Church - 9:00 am Bible Study Meet - Parish Hall 	
Thursday January 9 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7:25 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am MASS - Chapel - 9:00 am Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel 	
Friday, January 10 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 8:30 am Children's MASS - Church - 9:30 am - 11:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Society - Parish Hall 	
Saturday, January 11 —	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1:00 pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall - 4:00 pm Vigil MASS - Church (RECONCILIATION offered 30 minutes prior to Mass) 	

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Mary Helen Allen, Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Leota Ayuso, Lee Ayuso, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Asher Bonura, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Bruce Carver, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Hannah Gest, Gerry Gough, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Fay Hogan, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Sally and Wayne James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Thomas Koenem, Barbara Ladner, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Dustin Leochner, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Rod Malburg, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Lori Miller, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Kyle Patridge, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, Emily Reaves, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Brittany Varney, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin, Bruce Young



In Memoriam



Please contact the Parish Office at 228-452-4686 to add or take some off the Prayer List. Thank you.

Weekly Operating Report

January 6, 2025

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: \$
 Building Fund: \$
 Youth Ministry: \$
 Masses: \$
 Cemetery: \$
 Memorials: \$
 Christmas Flowers: \$
TOTAL: \$

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Forms are available in the back of
the church or by calling the
office at 228-452-4686

Weekly Fixed Expenses

Schools: \$3210
 Salaries and Benefits: \$4750
 Diocese Support Tax: \$917
 Utilities: \$1187.50
 Janitorial, Maintenance
 Grounds: \$1189.75
 Insurance: \$584
TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY
EXPENSES: \$13,075.00

"These are just the fixed expenses. There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly. God Bless!" Father Mike Austin

Pray For a Priest Each Day

"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen".

Sun., January 5: For Pope Francis

Mon., January 6: For Anthony Arguelles (Retired)

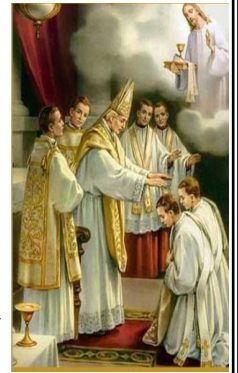
Tuesday, January 7: For Fathers Charles Arthur and Phili J. Audet

Wed., January 8: For Fathers Mike Austin and Emmanuel Awe SSJ

Thur., January 9: For Fathers Sergio Balderas and Greg Barras

Fri., January 10: For Fathers Hyginus Boboh SSJ and Dennis Carver (Retired)

Sat., January 11: For Father Tommy Conway



January 11 & January 12, 2025

4:00 pm - Saturday, 1/11/25 Vigil

LECTORS

Gayle Parker

EEMs

Gayle Nolan, Shannon Parker and Lauri Wood

ALTAR SERVERS

Cooper W. Ferrill, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

8:30 am - Sunday, 1/12/25

KOC Corporate Communion

11:00 am Sunday 1/12/25

Richard Alarcon

Chad Burge, Andrew Koslosky, Gretchen Mayeaux, Michael Mayeaux and Sid Petagna

Elleigh James Burge, Jameson Burge and Emily Payment

5:00 pm - Sunday, 1/12/25

Evelyn Giles

Richard Bohn, Michelle Hoskins and Jo Johns

Elise Bridges and Sophia Gonzalez

JANUARY

Holy Family Parish

Monday, January 6th - **10 am: Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts** - Parish Hall

Friday, January 17th - 3 pm: **Divine Mercy Chaplet** - Chapel

Wednesday, January 22nd - 6:30 pm: **Healing Face of Jesus Healing Ministries Healing Service** - Holy Family

Saturday, January 25th - 10 am: **First Reconciliation** - Holy Family

Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts

Let's celebrate our January Birthdays, too!



Start your first Monday morning of the month with Mass at 8 am followed by **Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts** after Mass.

Our next gathering is Monday, January 6th! Parish Hall

Hope to see you there!

Please join us every **FIRST & THIRD FRIDAY** of the month for the

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

January Chaplet:

Friday, January 17th

3:00 pm at St. Paul's Chapel

For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 4	4:00 pm	† Shelly Bentz Special Intentions for Terri Dedeaux
Sunday, January 5	8:30 am	† Mary and Ray Gallagher Healing for Wayne and Sally James Special Intentions for Liz Shaw Special Intentions for Phylis Carlton
	11:00 am	† Ann Farr † Pat Browne † Prentis Woods Special Intentions for Ms. Fay Paysse
Monday, January 6	5:00 pm	
	8:00 am	† Knost Family † Owen and Maude Brennan † Father John Kelly
Tuesday, January 7	7:00 pm (Church)	† Ralph Christman Healing for Roy Gamez
Wednesday, January 8	8:00 am	† Jim and Nancy Brennan † Father John Kelly Special Intentions for Mr. and Mrs. Shannon McGuire
Thursday, January 9 (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Knost Family Healing for Roy Gamez
Friday, January 10	8:30 am *† The Repose of the Soul	† Dick and Ted Brennan † Audley Taylor † Ernest Bethea Special Intentions for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lapre

2024 HFC Contribution Statements



GIVING STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your *Holy Family 2024 Contribution Statement*, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686. **THANK YOU.**



THE MONSIGNOR LEECH COUNCIL 4472
INVITES GENTLEMEN AND LADIES OF
THE PARISH TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY.

Upcoming Events:

- KOC Fifth Sunday Rosary: 5th Sunday of the month following 8:30 am Mass – **March 30, 2025**
- KOC Monthly Meetings: 5pm – 8pm pm First Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **January 7, 2025**
- KOC Monthly Corporate Communion: Sunday 8:30 am Mass following the first Tuesday of the month. Parish Fellowship will follow in the Conference Center with coffee and donuts – **January 12, 2025**
- KOC Coffee and Donuts: 9:00 am – Conference Center – **January 12, 2025**
- Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meetings: 6:30 pm Second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **January 14, 2025**

*Celebration of
Holy Baptism*
Congratulations to



*Nora Keith Puckett,
Daughter of Alicia and Ben Puckett*

who received the Sacrament of Baptism
on December 21, 2024.

*“Let the children come to me,
because the kingdom of God
belongs to such as these.”* Mark 10:14

**Upcoming 2025 Second &
Special Collections**

- January 4 - 5: Aged and Infirm Priests**
- January 25 - 26: Church in Latin America & Saltillo Mission**
- February 1 - 2: St. Paul Cemetery**
- March 1 - 2: St. Paul Cemetery**
- March 5 (Ash Wednesday): Churches in Eastern Europe and Africa**
- March 8 - 9: Black & Indian Missions**
- April 5 - 6: St. Paul Cemetery**
- April 18: Holy Land**
- April 26 - 27: Catholic Home Missions Appeal**



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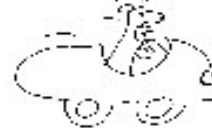


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