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1st Sunday after Epiphany



THE GLORIOUS EPIPHANY

This feast is known in Aramaic as *Denho*; which means *dawning*, (the dawning of God to the world.) In Greek it is called *Epiphany*, (manifestation, as it also celebrates the manifestation of the Lord in the Western Catholic tradition. Originally this feast embodied the manifestation of the Lord in the flesh, (Christmas) and the manifestation of the Most Holy Trinity at the day of the baptism of the Son in the Jordan River.

Jesus wanted to be baptized by John for five reasons:

- 1) So he might receive the witness from heaven that He is truly the Son of God.
- 2) To testify that the baptism of John comes from God.
- 3) To urge sinners to get baptized by John.
- 4) To establish and mandate the sacrament of baptism for all who believe in Him.
- 5) To sanctify the waters and prepare to purify people in baptism from the original sin and its consequences.

CLERGY

Fr. Paul Damien, Pastor
Deacon Chuck VanHeusen
Subdeacon Ronald Foster

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

LITURGY:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM
Weekdays Tues - Fri : 9:00 AM

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The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'"

John 1:29-31

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******First Sunday after Epiphany******

Saturday, January 8 - 5:00 PM: The Intentions & donors of Catholic Extension

Sunday, January 9 - 10:30 AM: Lucy lovino Zahran (Memorial) by Lucy Zahran

Upcoming 2nd Collection: US Bishops Worldwide Charities - Jan. 23, 2021

We Share: St Michael's on-line giving option at <https://stmichaelsmaronite.weshareonline.org>

Tuesday	Jan. 11	9:00 am	St Theodosius Of Antioch	Stephen Fredette (Memorial) by MJ and Family
Wednesday	Jan. 12	9:00 am	St. Tatiana Council of Trent	Kim Nguyen (Intentions) By Thanh and Han Vo - Nguyen
Thursday	Jan. 13	9:00 am	St Jacob of Nisibis	The Intentions & donors of Catholic Extension
Friday	Jan. 14	9:00 am	St. Hilary Bishop of Poitier	Anh Hong and son Sebastian as he prepares to enter Seminary by Thanh and Han Vo-Nguyen

******Second Sunday after Epiphany******

Saturday, January 15 - 5:00 PM: The Intentions & donors of Catholic Extension

Sunday, January 16 - 10:30 AM: Gilbert, Elias and Saydeh Damien (Memorials) by the Pastor

When not listed Fr Jack will offer his Masses for Pilar Ayala by the family

**SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

1st Sunday of Epiphany
2Cor 10:1-11 / Jn 1:29-34

2nd Sunday of Epiphany
2Cor 4:5-15 / Jn 1:35-42

3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Gal 3:23-29 / Jn 3:1-16

4th Sunday of Epiphany
Rom 7:1-6 / Jn 4:5-7, 9-26



READERS

1/8: MJ Hahn 1/9: Marie VanHeusen
1/15: Annika Nesbitt 1/16: Josh Deason
1/22: Darling Darlene 1/23: Marie Reale

GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Make a donation to offer the Incense,
Candles and Wine for one month in memory or
to honor of someone.

JANUARY GIFT OF THANKSGIVING

**For the repose of the soul of
MSGR. Bill Bonczewski**

By The VanHeusen Family

Christmas thru January 3rd (Two weeks)
plus online Collection \$ 5177.00

Building Fund/HVAC \$ 50.00

Candles \$ 72.00

God Bless You for your support

SUNDAY SOCIAL HOUR HOST SCHEDULE

January 9th VanHeusen Family

January 16th AVAILABLE

January 23rd AVAILABLE

January 30th Betty Gurney/Kim Phelan



Please note there are open dates!

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES

St. Michael's has been asked to contribute **jams/jellies and peanut butter (ANY SIZE)** Place donations in the basket next to the confessional.



We Gave . . .
45 lbs in December
684 lbs total for 2021

ADORATION TEMPORARY CHANGE

A request was made to move Adoration to Friday.



**Beginning Friday
January 13th
9:30am - 6:00pm
with Rosary & Benediction
at 6:00 pm**

Sign up sheets available for at the church entrance!

RELIGIOUS ED / ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

Religious Education Classes and Adult Discussion Group has resumed on Wednesdays from 6:30—7:30 PM in the Social Hall.

CONFESSION

Confession is offered every Sunday from **9:30am - 10:20am, before the Divine Liturgy.**

*Father asks that you arrive early enough so that the priests are able to reserve ten minutes before Mass to prepare.

VOCATION CHALICE

1/8: Volunteer

1/9: Kim Phelan

1/15: Volunteer

1/16: Dinse Family



*Your prayers are needed to encourage vocations to the priesthood & religious life.

Consider taking the Vocation Chalice into your home for a week.

SOUP-ER BOWL COLLECTIONS

Every year St. Michaels hosts a month-long "Soup-er Bowl" collection to raise money for feeding the homeless at Operation InAsMuch. Please place your donations in the bucket at the entrance of the Church. There is also a 2nd Collection the weekend of the Super Bowl.

God Bless Your Generosity!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Patricia Acevedo, Tim Kenny, Gabby Butcher,



Finn Chapman,
Bill Morgan,
Allison Averitt,
Brenda Murray,
Mary Rorke,

Matthew Vaughan, Gabby Parkhurst, Maritas Goulet, Elizabeth Blalock, Ines Page, Clara Blalock, Charly Riipi, Matthew Stoeckley, Shannon Talley, Stella Ducote, Leo Stoeckley, Betty Gurney, Dylan Vaughan.

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Aaron and Maria Ackley
Ron and Kathy Criminger



PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact **Lucy Zahran** at church or call the church office to **join the prayer chain** or with **prayer requests.**

The Knights of Columbus



Several of our Knights are participating in **Exodus 90** this year!
"Prayer, Asceticism and Fraternity"



Men's Fellowship

For more info
Contact:
Jon Deason
737-701-7547

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

We support **Operation InAsMuch** helping to serve breakfast to the homeless. Call Ray Miller 580-0396 if interested in serving on **Tuesday, February 1st** or in the future.



St Michael's Ladies Guild

The women of St Michael's are trying something new we hope you'll participate! Join us in the Social Hall!

**Tuesday January 11th
6:00PM Social Time
(with refreshments)
6:30PM Planning Time**

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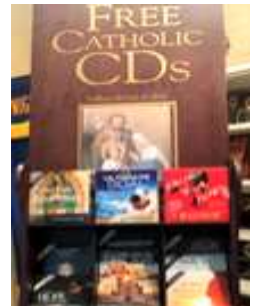
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Fellowship / Free Catholic CDs

Take a minute following our Sunday Divine Liturgy to join us in
the Social Hall for some light refreshments, conversation and to
check out our Free CDs.

There's a slot on the rack for those who want to donate to this ministry!



SEASON OF EPIPHANY/MARONITE TRADITIONS

The Epiphany is one of the earliest feasts of the Eastern Church. In the Maronite Church, the Epiphany marks the Baptism of Our Lord and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Him. At midnight, on the night before the Epiphany, Maronite tradition has it that Jesus will pass over and bless the homes. At the moment Christ passes, all creation bows down to Him except for the cursed fig tree. We greet each other with the term “**Deyim Deyim**” which means “**everlasting everlasting**” and signifies that the Everlasting never forgets to visit. Dough is kneaded and left out to create the yeast starter that will be used for the rest of the year. Windows, doors and the grain houses are left open so that they can be blessed and protect the homeowner from poverty. We attend Mass and take with us bottles of water fill with the blessed waters and used in the house for the rest of the year. ~ Taken from “Living Maronite” website

For ideas on how to celebrate the Season of Epiphany in your home see:

<https://livingmaronite.com/resources/feastdays/the-epiphany-6-january>

The Holy Water receptacle in the back of the church contains the waters blessed on the Feast of Epiphany with small bottles available for you to fill and take home.

*** There is a sign-up sheet at the church entrance for those who need their house blessed by the priest during the Season of Epiphany**



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