Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

JANUARY 6, 2019 – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6 DE ENERO DE 2019— LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR



LITURGY SCHEDULE

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

HORARIO LITURGICO

CONFESIONES (Sábado)...... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	JANUARY 5, 2019 Reconciliation Mass for soul of Tom Yates
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:15 PM	JANUARY 6, 2019 Mass for the parishioners of St John Rosary Misa por el alma de Irma Zevallos Solano
WEDNESDAY	•
THURSDAY	Mass JANUARY 10, 2019 Mass
FRIDAY	JANUARY 11, 2019 Mass
SATURDAY 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	JANUARY 12, 2019 Reconciliation Mass soul of Florida McMahon
SUNDAY 9:00 AM	JANUARY 13, 2019 Mass parishioners St. John, St. Peter & St Patrick
10:00 AM 12:15 PM	Rosary Misa por el alma de Feliciana Puluc
ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DATLY AT NOON	

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS

ORACIONES:Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Suzanne DiMarino, , Ruth and Donald Barock, Jeff Konschak, Virginia Saunders, Marion Mazzetti, and Gerry Biartel.

> The item being collected for **FISH** for **January** toothpaste En el mes de **enero** necesitamos Pasta de Dientes



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 mvrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

Readings for the week of January 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 Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 111/Lk 4:14-22a Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. Saturday: 4a]/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. © Liturgical Publications Inc

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PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR 2019 BOX **ENVELOPES SETS AND CALENDARS**

PAINT TIME IS ALMOST HERE We will be painting the social hall on January 12. With lots of help, there are acres of walls in that room, we will be finished in time for Mass. Scaffolding, ladders and paint will be provided. Please sign up to bring your rollers, and your time. Sign up sheets will be out on December 29/30. There is a job for everyone, short, tall, experienced or just learning, man or woman! Anyone can paint a flat wall! Plan to join the fun. If you have any questions please call me, Dianne Cassady, at 804-840-8642

Pastor message

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. In the Gospel we hear about the 3 wise men (magi) searching for this king who they have heard would be arriving.

There is a quality of the wise men that very admirable. And it is a quality that is lacking today.

Their admirable quality is the unwavering search for answers. They are motivated above all by a desire to know truth and this desire has led them to Christ. What is interesting about them is that they already have plenty. After all they are 'kings.' They certainly have a lot going for them. In fact, if they are kings they probably have 'everything a man could ask for'...to put it in modern language.

That said, they don't sit back and kick their feet up. They are still 'hungry.' They still have desire in them to search for something more. They still seek something more significant, something that might give them more, more answers, more meaning - more. The wise men represent every human person.

Every human person seeks deeper meaning and has a desire to know the answers to significant human question such as what is the meaning of life, why is there something rather than nothing, how did we get here, what does the future have in store, what happens after we die, why is there suffering. All people for all ages have wondered the answers to these questions.

The admirable quality of the wise men is that they don't let things get in the way or distract them from seeking answers to these questions. In fact, the ability to ponder these questions is what separates us from all other life forms. Humans are the only ones who ask these questions. And the wise men ask them with unwavering determination.

Do people now-a-days ask the answers to these questions? Or are they content with just being kings?

If you have been shown the light of faith, then you know the answers to these bigger questions. You know that all roads towards answers lead to the road the wise men took. All roads leading to answers lead to Christ.

The important thing for humans, to maintain their humanity (what makes them distinctly human) is for them to continue to seek the answers to those questions. If they do, they will eventually be led to God, who became flesh (who in-carn-nated), and there they will have their answer. He is the Truth and all who are wise seek Him. Fr Rossi

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THANK YOU-GRACIAS

Thank you so much to those hands who beautified our church of St John during the holiday season. Our church were dressed beautifully for the occasion. A special thank you to Anita French for making our beautiful new Altar clothe. Also thank you to those who made donation for the amazing flowers.

Thank you to all who participate in the Kroger program for St. John to receive benefits. We have received another check in the amount of 261.54. Remember you have to renew your membership for this program each year. And all new members St. John number if **UQ223**. Thank you again for shopping at Kroger.

"Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts." Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Los Reyes Magos

While most children in the United States are accustomed to receiving gifts on Christmas Day, in many Hispanic cultures, it is Epiphany, or the Day of the Three Kings, when gifts celebrating the birth of Christ usually appear. On the night of January 5, hay and a bucket of water are left outside the house for the camels who carry the Magi. A box or old shoes are put under the bed in which the Wise Men will leave gifts for the children. On the evening of January 6 families gather for dinner, and cut into the rosca de reyes, a ring-shaped sweet bread decorated with candied fruit. Baked inside is a small figure of baby Jesus. Whoever finds the figure in his or her piece will host the final feast of the Christmas season, el día de la Candelaria on February 2. On that day new clothes are presented to enrobe the figure of baby Jesus in the Nativity scene of the family or the church. © Liturgical Publications Inc