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OUR MISSION: TO BE TRANSFORMED THROUGH AN
ENCOUNTER WITH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH & THE LOVE OF GOD

Yearly Theme: "Blessed" - Matthew 5:3-12



January 5, 2020

Epiphany of the Lord

SCHEDULES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS
5:15 PM

SUNDAY MASSES
9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, & 5:00PM
(7PM resumes January 26th)

MONDAY through FRIDAY
Resumes January 13th
Morning Prayer (Lauds): 8:30AM
Evening Prayer (Vespers): 5:00PM
Daily Mass: 5:15 PM

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM
Sunday 4:00 - 4:45 PM
or by appointment with a priest

**ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**
(Resumes 1/15/20) Wednesdays 9PM
(Resumes Feb) 2nd Thurs at 7:30PM

OFFICE HOURS
Closed Mon-Fri until 1/10
Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM
Sunday 8:30AM-12:30PM

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Vigil - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
1/4 5:15PM **Hans Olaf Helland+**

Epiphany of the Lord
1/5 9:00AM **Irene & Gilbert Fimbres+**
11:00AM **Maria Turney**
5:00PM **Our Newman Community**

Monday: St. Andre Bessette
1/6 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penafort
1/7 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Wednesday: Christmas Weekday
1/8 9:00AM **NO DAILY MASS**
Thursday: Christmas Weekday
1/9 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Friday: Christmas Weekday
1/10 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

*Mass Intentions can be requested at the office for
Memorials, Birthdays or Special Intentions.
\$10 is the suggested donation*

Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

It's hard to believe that the Fourth Sunday of Advent came upon us, and once again we heard the great account of how Mary was found with child, and Joseph's struggle with this new situation that they found themselves in. What a dilemma to be in! Your beloved with whom you're planning a life with... is now with a child that is not yours... Here, we not only see Mary's great "yes" to God's request in enter her life, but also 'see' Joseph 'assent' to God's invitation into deeper hope and trust.

Advent echoes God's constant promise to be present to us in all seasons and moments of life. The witness of Mary and Joseph remind us of what God can do for those who "Bear Down" and believe. What needs a little more, or less attention in our lives this Season? The feast of Christmas celebrates God "bearing down" upon our humanity, and informing us that there is a way for human beings to 'rise above' all limitations, to shed all unhealthy aspects of our ego, and, to embrace 'authentic charity' both in word and deed.

Our Christmas readings celebrate the fact.... that even in the darkness of human error and evil choices... God will not be 'denied' in bringing about the faith, hope, and love needed.... to create both transformation, and new birth.

Let us approach this final Sunday of Advent hopeful, and ready... to embrace whatever 'positive changes' that the Holy Spirit has stirred in our hearts this Advent! May our Christmas celebrations allow us to sing with the angels and the shepherds "Glory to God in the highest! And, peace to all people of good will!

May the Light of the Christmas Season... guide us through the dramas, jealousies and failures... in our.. and, in others' behavior. May we not fall prey to "Herodian-Like" responses, thus, not receiving God's invitation to freedom.... but, rather the "deep-listening" obedience... of Mary and Joseph.

May God bless your Christmas Season, and fill you with countless opportunities to "repeat the endless joy" Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year! Amen!

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

WINTER BREAK CLOSURE / NO DAILY MASS

Monday to Friday through January 10th

MUSIC LEADERS' TEAM MTG

Saturday, 1/11 at 10AM in the Curry Classroom

DOMINICAN LAITY CHAPTER MTG

Sunday, 1/12 at 3PM in the Curry Classroom

View the full calendar at:
UACatholic.org/calendar

PRAY FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

Brandon, Brennan, Isabelle, Malia & Morgan
as they prepare for full initiation in the Church
at the Easter Vigil in 2020

RCIA THANK YOUs & LUNCHEs

Thank you to our December volunteers, Mare Grace Wendel and Leah Kapa who prepared delicious lunches for our RCIA participants. The meal preparation ministry is one way that our community shows its support for those men and women who are seeking a closer relationship with God.

We will need volunteers from January 19 through March 29 to prepare simple luncheon meals for 12. A sign up sheet will be located in the back of the Church in January. God Bless you for your generosity and kind hospitality

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

This month's title is

Death in Holy Orders by P.D. James

Next mtg is on Tuesday, January 21st at 7PM
Please read the book beforehand. There will be snacks and good conversation. All are welcome— students and community members alike!

If you need help obtaining a copy of the book or have any questions, contact Kelly Kottmer at
kellyklovesbooks@gmail.com

TAIZE PRAYER AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Thursday, January 9 at 5:30PM

St. Thomas the Apostle - 5150 N. Valley View Road
Taizé prayer is a simple and short service of prayer, scripture, congregational singing and silent contemplation where you can encounter an intimate relationship with God.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO

Diane Abbott, Janine Benas, Lissette Blanchet, Rose Bolz, Jill Dunn, Rachel Feeley, Jaime Gutierrez, Mercedes Molina, Cecilia Peru, Angela Sanchez, Nicholas Stavitski, Kevin Webster, and Sam Whitthorne

CHRISTMAS TREES

Many thanks to Andy Romo who helped us acquire the beautiful Christmas trees for the church and the rectory/convent living rooms. Please support Brian & Kelly's Pumpkins and Trees for all your holiday needs throughout the year, they are very generous to our community and are located at 5028 E Broadway, Tucson, AZ 85711

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER INFO

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT!

- ◆ Give the gift of time to each other this year!
- ◆ On the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend, learn to prioritize the important things.
- ◆ Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on Jan 25-26 in Phoenix or Mar 21-22 in Tucson
- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit their website at:

www.wwmearizona.com

TUCSON MARCH FOR LIFE

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Mass at 9:00 AM - St. Augustine Cathedral

Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger, Celebrant

March for Life to Holy Hope Cemetery follows the Mass Rose Ceremony at the Cemetery

All are Welcome! Let us pray and march together in Support of Life!

January reflection on our theme for this year: "Blessed" taken from Matthew's Gospel account of the Beatitudes

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

In his, "I Have A Dream" speech, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., quoted from the Prophet Amos 5:24, "we are not satisfied, and we will not be satisfied until justice rolls on like a river, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream". Repetitively, Dr. King pointed to what was not right and in a powerful crescendo began his hope of a place where justice and righteousness resound.

What does it mean to hunger and thirst for righteousness? It is to right what is wrong, not by power or violence, but to do as Jesus did; that is, to speak Truth! What in your world hungers and thirsts for righteousness? Truly, blessed are those who constantly hunger and thirst after righteousness, they will be satisfied! **-Sr. Angelica**

NEWMAN CORPORATE BOARD TREASURER ELECTION NOTICE

CANDIDATES REQUIREMENTS:

Candidates for election must be lay persons who are:

- * Catholic
- * Registered, practicing parish members
- * At least 25 years old.

WHO CAN NOMINATE A CANDIDATE?

The pastor can nominate two persons. Other nominations may be made in writing by at least 10 registered parishioners in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. All nominations are to be made at least 2 weeks before the election on **January 19, 2020** and announced at Sunday Masses two weeks prior to the election. If only one person has been nominated by then, the nominee shall be declared elected.

ELECTION COMMITTEE

At the time of the notice of the election, the Pastor shall appoint an election committee to receive nominations, prepare ballots, act as tellers and supervise the election.

CANDIDATES: Patrick Martin, incumbent/seeking renewal

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

December ACH: \$5302; December Online Giving: \$10,320
Dec 28/29 Collection: \$2944.55; Venmo \$18
Christmas Collection: \$8179.77, Venmo \$1025
Dec 21/22 Collection: \$3622.25; Venmo \$72
Dec 14/15 Collection: \$4711.39; Venmo \$34
Our Lady of Guadalupe: \$391.20; Venmo \$22
Dec 7/8 Collection: \$4226.83; Venmo \$38.93

Thank you for your generosity each week. Your contribution during the Offertory pays for the utilities, staff and ministries so we can carry out our mission.

Parents of our college students: please consider financially supporting your Wildcat son or daughter's parish-away-from-home with regular giving.

An alternative to bringing cash or a check to Mass is to set up one-time or recurring donations through our Online Giving Program. It also provides an easy way to track your contributions for tax credit purposes.

Text *UACatholic* to 555888 for a link on your mobile phone or download an ACH form by visiting

UACatholic.org/donate

Also Accepting



User ID: [@UACatholic](https://www.venmo.com/@UACatholic)

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

As our celebration of Christmas continues, today we observe the great feast of The Epiphany of the Lord. The word "epiphany" comes from Greek and means manifestation or appearance. The stewardship way of life is one in which we live in grateful response to God's countless manifestations in our lives.

As good stewards, the magi were watching for manifestations of God's presence in their lives. "We have seen the star at its rising," they say. Good stewards are keenly aware of the "star" of God's presence and His gifts in their lives. It is this awareness that fills them with gratitude and the desire to both worship God and share His gifts with others.

Let us rejoice in God's manifestations in our lives and be watchful for the new ways He is calling us to share ourselves and our gifts in gratitude to our King in the year ahead. - from www.TheCatholicSteward.com



2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

Progress as of 12/31/19

54 donors - \$56,135 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 120%

Fulfilled to date: \$54,130 or 116% of total goal

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US REACH OUR 2019 GOAL

Donate Online at:

<https://support.cathfnd.org/donate>

Select "St. Thomas More" as your parish



We are pleased to announce that we were awarded a \$10,000 grant for 2019 that went towards the replacement of the very-leaky roof over the main lobby & offices. Work finished in April.

POINSETTIA MEMORIALS & TRIBUTES

Abbot-Poulos Family
Macedonio Aguilera
Ambroziak Family, living and deceased
Sister Renilde Cade, OP
Mary Carrillo
Frank Carrillo
Juan & Bonifacia Castañon Family
Alfred & Pilar Durazo
Aurelio & Librada Flores Family
Porfiria Gastelum
Grandchildren Camila, Anabel & Alex by Gloria & Ed Graham
Lily Guerrero
Ernie & Rose Hadik and Son
Deen Hatoum
Elodia Jauregui
John & Margaret Kelley
Teresa & Mary Kelley
Sally & Steve Kish
James & Mary Lopez
David Lopez
Carl & Emma Jean Lopez
Lopez & Brichta Family
Martin Family
Justina Mataleno-Clerc
Mary McLain & Erin McLain
Miguel Moreno
Jolene Nichols
Terry O'Herron
O'Herron & Shaw Grandparents
Elisa Riesgo
Robles Family, living and deceased
Sally & Armando Rodriguez
Alva Rojel
Deloris & Ed Schlager
Henry Douglas Shoumaker
Josephine Shoumaker-Ruiz
Mary Siqueiros
Juana Solis
Emily Soto
Enrique Soto
Evelyn Steenson
Richard Strayer
Lynne Tronsdal
Teresa Valdenegro
Manuel Valdenegro
John Edward Vidal

BLESSED ARE WE

We are full of gratitude to the amazing crew who decorated the church for the Christmas season: Jude Coompsom, Jules O'Herron, Ana Kelley, Mara Daly, JoAnna Lopez, Ernie Gallardo, Dan Chavez & Sharon Oliver, Alexandria Roche, Gui Roche, Gemma Siml, JohnPaul Siml, Dave Sunderman, Jay Bell and others. *Extra special thanks for the cookies

The Arts & Environment Committee: Gilbert Mejia, Genevieve Gallardo, Denise Durazo & the Newman Staff