

January 03, 2021

THE EPHIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mass Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC); Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6;
Matthew 2:1-12; Resp. Psalm: "Lord, ev'ry nation on earth will
adore you."

Events for this week

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday's 9:00 a.m.
to 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Chapel. **Please RSVP first.**

Sun. 10:00 am Mass—**The Epiphany of The Lord**
No CCD Classes after Mass

Mon. NO MASS

Tue. NO MASS

Wed. NO MASS
7:00 pm Youth Group—Parish Hall

Thur. NO MASS

Sat. 4:00—4:30 pm Confessions - In the Day Chapel
5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sun. 10:00 am Mass—**The Baptism of The Lord**
CCD Classes after Mass

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE

THAT NEED OUR PRAYERS: Bird Dobbins, Merrill &
Kathy Gorham, Astitas Aliaga, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, Ken
Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil
Hansen, Lorini Morehead, Bryan Lund, Carmen Lopez-
Sotelo, Ki E. Russell, Andy, Jeremy & Keller Younggren, Sheri
Entrikin, Deacon Caleb Cunningham, Lindsey Martin-Bowen
and Mary Fiorillo. **To update this list, call or email the
office.**

Welcome

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing
through, those that have made this their home and
those still searching for their parish family. We are glad
you are here celebrating God's word and presence with
us in today's Eucharistic celebration.

Building Repair Fund

**When donating to the Building Repair Fund,
please write a separate check.** Thank you.

Sunday Mass Dispensation

The general **dispensation from the Sunday Mass
obligation will remain in place until further
notice.** Once the dispensation has been lifted we will
let all parishioners know by email, phone call or mail.

Prayer Request Line

Please contact Kathy McGee 541-663-1255
or Theresa Beery 541-963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for
further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before
the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to
receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at
541- 963-7341.

Website

www.olvcatholic.org

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Comforting Prayers For



Mary Fiorillo



The family and friends of Mary are requesting prayers of
comfort for a peaceful death. Mary was diagnosed with severe
cancer and only has a couple of months to live. Mary was the
wife of Dante Fiorillo a long time parishioner who passed away
in June. Mary moved to Portland to live with family.

***Prayer:** Gracious Father, your holy Word tells us that our times are in
your hands. Hear our prayers for Mary and for her family as she near
the end of her earthly life. Comfort her with your gracious promises
of the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life
everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Schedule for Liturgical Ministries

The February-May schedule for the Liturgical ministries is
being prepared. If you and know that there are specific dates
you will not be available, **please let the office know by
January 7th**, you can call 541-963-7341 or email Nancy at
Offcie@olvcatholic.org. **Once the schedule is complete,
substitutes will need to be arranged individually.**
Please notify the office with the name of person substituting.

Lectors Needed

Our lectors number have gone way down, **we Need
More Lectors for the Saturday, Sunday and
special Weekday Masses.** Please contact the Parish
Office 541-963-7341 - Offcie@olvcatholic.org. Please
prayerfully consider joining this wonderful ministry.

Have you visited our Facebook page?

For information about upcoming events as well as pictures from
those that have occurred, see the "Our Lady of the Valley
Catholic Church" Facebook page.

Our Lady of the Valley News

- Fr. Saji will be attending a Priest Conference in Austin, TX;
he will be out of town for two weeks, there will be
NO DAILY MASS during Fr. Sajis absence.
- Fr. Ildefonce Mampara, OSB, will be here the weekend of
January 9 & 10, to officiate masses in Union County.
Reconciliations will continue its normal schedule.

Are you still celebrating? Christmas isn't over yet!

The Christmas feast proper ends on the final day of its octave, which is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, on January 1st. Keep your feasting, parties, and merriment going for the full 8 days. The 'peak' of the Christmas 'season' is January 6th Epiphany the end of the 12 Days of Christ-mas (in the United States celebrated on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8) as Jesus is now revealed as a light to the Gentile nations. Keep your Christmas decorations, especially your Christmas tree and lights, up at least until this day is over. The official end of the entire Christmas season is the Baptism of the Lord, the Sunday after Epiphany (Sunday, January 10, this year). Ordinary Time begins the following weekend. Keep your nativity scene displayed up through this day, or better yet until the Presentation of the Lord on Tuesday, February 2nd (which is a feast of the Baby Jesus). For more information see

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/does-christmas-end-on-epiphany/>

SCAVENGER HUNT INSIDE OUR CHURCH!



THE FOUR EVANGELISTS

The 4 Gospel writers have been represented by the following symbols.

St. Matthew, a Divine Man

St. Mark, a Winged Lion

St. Luke, a Winged Ox; and

St. John, a Rising Eagle.

These symbols are taken first from the Prophet Ezekiel (1:1-21) along with a similar description in the Book of Revelation (4:6-8). St. Irenaeus (140-202) likened these images to the four Gospels writers because of the content of their Gospels and their particular focus on Christ. They have appeared in Christian art since that time.

St. Matthew, represented by the divine man. Gospel highlights Jesus' entry into this world, first by presenting His family lineage "A family record of Jesus Christ, Son of David, Son of Abraham (Mt. 1:1) - and His incarnation and birth: "Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: (Mt. 1:18). This then is the Gospel of Christ's humanity.

St. Mark, represented by the winged lion, references the Prophet Isaiah when he begins his gospel: "Here begins the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In Isaiah the prophet it is written, 'I send my messenger before you to prepare your way; a herald's voice in the desert, crying, "Make ready the way of the Lord, clear Him a straight path.'" The voice in the desert crying "reminds one of a lion's roar". The lion also signifies royalty, an appropriate symbol for the Son of God.

St. Luke, represented by the winged ox. Oxen were used in temple sacrifices. St. Luke begins his Gospel with the announcement of the birth of St. John the Baptizer to his father, the priest Zechariah, who was offering sacrifice in the Temple. St. Luke also includes the parable of the Prodigal Son, in which the fatted calf is slaughtered, not only to celebrate the younger son's return, but also to foreshadow the joy we must have in receiving reconciliation through our most merciful Savior who offered Himself in sacrifice to forgive our sins.

St. John, represented by the rising eagle. This Gospel begins with the "lofty" prologue and "rises" to pierce most deeply the mysteries of God, the relationship between the Father and the Son, and the incarnation. Jesus also identifies himself as "the way, the truth, and the life," & anyone who accepts Him in that way will rise to everlasting life with Him.

While each of these symbols focuses on the particular theme of each Gospel, only in reading and reflecting on all four Gospels do we fully encounter our Lord. Please take a moment to recognize and identify these traditional symbols of the Evangelists in our parish church.

Sunday, January 10, 2021

Saturday, January 09: 5:30 pm

Reader: Amanda Villagomez

Acolyte: TJ Yifthege

Sunday, January 10: 10:00 am

Reader: Lyle Schwarz

Acolyte: Jerry Meza

Usher: Jimmy Zamora

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Saturday, January 16: 5:30 pm

Reader: Amanda Villagomez

Acolyte: Dan Gonzalez

Sunday, January 17: 10:00 am

Reader: Elizabeth Zamora

Acolyte: Jimmy Zamora

Usher: Dan Gonzalez

Community Help: Donations Unlimited

To donate household items, linens, clothing, lamps and more please call Linda Williams at 541-963-2282.

Special needs at this time: Winter Coats size Boys 5-8.

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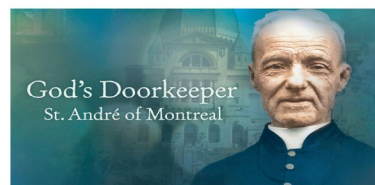
PICK OF THE WEEK

January 3, 2021

WATCH

GOD'S DOORKEEPER: ST. ANDRÉ OF MONTREAL

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



God's Doorkeeper
St. André of Montreal



FORMED NOW! HOW TO PRAY

Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth Klein as they discuss ways to kickstart your prayer life this year!

LEARN

LISTEN

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

As we celebrate the Epiphany, Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!



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NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET: \$3,400

Sunday's Collection for 12/27 \$925.75

Social Outreach \$2.00 Repair & Main. \$26.00

Online Giving \$1,210.00

Christmas Masses: \$3,548.00

