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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 9am, Vigil 5:30pm

*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am,  
and 12:30pm

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*  
at the Sunday 9am Mass

Monday-Friday: 8am, 11am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday: 11:30am-7pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 5-5:30pm

Saturday: 4:15-5:15pm

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 60:1-6**

Jerusalem is extolled as a place of glory and splendor because the Lord has come to His own city.

**SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 3:2-3A, 5-6**

Paul tells the Ephesians that his special mission is to make the Gentiles co-heirs with the Jews in Christ — "members of the same body and sharers of the promise."

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12**

Herod learns that Wise Men from the East are searching for the newly born Christ Child. He instructs them to find the Child and to report His whereabouts to him. The Wise Men follow a star to the place where Mary and Jesus are and offer the Child gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They do not return to Herod but follow another route to their own country.

## THIS WEEK ...

1/8	<b>Sunday</b>	Faith Fun — 9:30am (Parish Center)
1/10	<b>Tuesday</b>	Baptism Class — 7pm (Conference Room)
1/11	<b>Wednesday</b>	Eucharistic Adoration — 11:30 am (Church) Children's Choir Practice — 6:30pm (School) Religious Education — 7pm (School/Church/PC/CR)
1/12	<b>Thursday</b>	Choir Rehearsal — 7:30pm (Church)
1/13	<b>Friday</b>	CP1 & CP2 Community Service — 6:30pm (PC)

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## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE...

**Monday** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

**Tuesday** Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday** Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday** Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday** Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday** Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with your parish. Registration forms are available on our website: [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org), in the foyer or by request from the parish office. Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket or the 24-hour drop box outside the parish office.

New parishioners are invited to attend our coffee reception after Mass to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if you are relocating so we can update our records.

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** The sacrament joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic community. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings at 9:45am or by appointment, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process.

**CONFIRMATION:** "Through the sacrament of confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." Confirmation is offered to adults through the RCIA process, and annually for our eighth-grade students. As with the other sacraments of initiation, preparation is involved.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples should contact the parish office as soon as possible or at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for preparation.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:** For those who are interested in finding out more information about the Catholic faith and/or interested in becoming Catholic. Please call the parish office.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Our parish continues Christ's ministry of making whole the members of our community who suffer physical or emotional ills with Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

## YEAR OF MERCY CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Once again our Parish Community has generously responded to our Christmas appeal for children and the elderly! The total amount received in gift cards and cash amounted to \$8,485.00!!!

In your name, the Social Concerns Committee provided generous gifts to 66 seniors and 16 families, members of Holy Redeemer Parish, and some in Annunciation Catholic School. Christmas dinner was also provided for the FAIR girl's home. Gaily decorated Christmas boxes filled with simple gifts, were given to many of our senior members and delivered by our young adults and pastoral care visitors. Special thanks to the members of our Social Concerns Committee for countless hours of service, not only at Christmas, but also throughout the Year! Sister Kathleen Griffin, SNJM

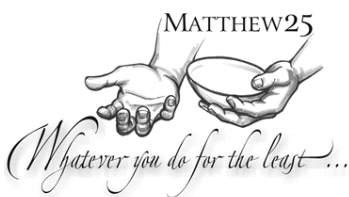


## MARTIN LUTHER KING SHABBAT

Join us at the Washington Hebrew Congregation as we celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a Shabbat service at Temple. We will host our partner churches and mosques for dinner at 5:30 pm followed by a special 7:00 pm Shabbat service featuring Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II, President of the North Carolina NAACP since 2006. He was a keynote speaker at the 2016 Democratic National Convention and is regularly featured on MSNBC and CNN and in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*.

Dinner costs \$20 per person. As is our tradition, WHC hosts our interfaith community at this Shabbat dinner. Sponsorship is \$200 per table. If you would like to sponsor one or more tables for our guests, please add this item when you register at <http://www.whctemple.org/faith-in-action/repairing-the-world/mlk-weekend/mlk-shabbat-dinner> or call 202-362-7100.

## NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK—JANUARY 8-14



For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, which is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking. The theme for National Migration

Week 2017 draws attention to Pope Francis' call to create a culture of encounter, and in doing so to look beyond our own needs and wants to those of others around us. In the homily given at his first Pentecost as pope, he emphasized the importance of encounter in the Christian faith: "For me this word is very important. Encounter with others. Why? Because faith is an encounter with Jesus, and we must do what Jesus does: encounter others."

## ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES** with Annunciation Volunteers!  
Contact **Tom Keenan, YA Service Chair** if you have any questions: [twkeenan6@gmail.com](mailto:twkeenan6@gmail.com) or 847-902-1405 . Upcoming service events will be posted on FB/ AnnunciationDCYA.

**PRAYER REQUEST FRIDAY:**  
Pray Wherever You Are @ 3pm.  
Get your Friday Prayer Reminder on email & FB - post your prayers and we'll pray for you!

For All Annunciation YA Events:  
[Facebook.com/AnnunciationDCYA](https://www.facebook.com/AnnunciationDCYA)

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

**Marguerite Bourgeoys**

1620 - 1700

FEAST January 12

Growing up in Troyes, France, Marguerite formed a special relationship with Our Lady. She was turned away by two religious communities, but met the founder of Montreal, Canada, when he returned to France to visit his sister. He invited Marguerite to open a school in the New World; she went, despite misgivings, after praying to Mary. From that first school in an abandoned stable, her ministry grew to include teaching women crafts and founding the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. She managed to keep her sisters uncloistered, despite opposition from the bishop, and served as superior for many years. When Pope John Paul II canonized her in 1982, she became Canada's first woman saint.

—CNS Saints

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, January 8** – *The Epiphany of the Lord*

7:30 a.m.	Hall	Maureen Nolan	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Maro	Wolfgang Ritschel	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Maro	Jeannette E. Dompas-Senduk	In Memory

**Monday, January 9** – *The Baptism of the Lord*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Special Intention	Intentions
11:00 a.m.	Antonicelli	Special Intention	Intentions

**Tuesday, January 10** – *Tuesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Luz Vasquez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Special Intention	Intentions

**Wednesday, January 11** – *Wednesday of the First Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Alice Child	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Special Intention	Intentions

**Thursday, January 12** – *Thursday of the First Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Mariano Balaan	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Special Intention	Intentions

**Friday, January 13** – *Saint Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Manuel Agromayor	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Special Intention	Intentions

**Saturday, January 14** – *Saturday of the First Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Maro	Irene & Harry Flinn	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Maro	Max Bussetti	In Memory

**Sunday, January 15** – *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m.	Songy	Patricia Murphy	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Keeler	Michael Breen	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Langlois	Samuel & Michael Argetsinger	In Memory

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound or living in care facilities.

If you or a loved one would like a visit at home, in the hospital or in a care facility please contact Sister Kathleen Griffin at 202-362-3323 x22 or [griffin@annunciationdc.org](mailto:griffin@annunciationdc.org)



## POPE'S CORNER

### BEAUTY PRECEDES US

The new star that appears to the Magi was a sign of the birth of Christ. Had they not seen the star, these men would not have set out. The light goes before us, truth goes before us, beauty precedes us. God goes before us.

The prophet Isaiah said that God is like the flower of the almond tree. Why? Because in that region the almond is the first to flower. And God goes ever before, he is always the first to seek us, he takes the first step.

God goes ever before us. His grace precedes us and this grace appeared in Jesus. He is the Epiphany. He, Jesus Christ, is the manifestation of God's love. He is with us.

— Angelus, Epiphany, January 6, 2014

**Reflection:** Look back at what God has done in your life. When did you encounter him? Be grateful that he has gone before you, and have the courage to follow after him more closely.



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

### SECOND COLLECTION

January 15th: Church Missions & Archdiocese for the Military Services

### POOR BOX

Donations for the month of January will benefit S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat) to help the poor and homeless of our nation's capital.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

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## ANNUNCIATION PARISH APP

We are excited to announce the release of a new Mobile App for our parish. This app is available for download in the Android and Apple Stores. The App is a new and effective way for the parish to communicate with you and for you to stay connected with the parish. The App is PACKED with prayer resources including Liturgy of the Hours, Daily Mass Readings, the Order of the Mass, Sunday Reading Reflections, the Bible, the Catechism, a digital rosary and on and on. It is also packed with educational resources, information on parish events, mass schedules, photo capture tools, and more. Best of all, we can alert you of extra special happenings and cancellations via the app's push notifications system. Search for it in the app store – Annunciation Catholic Church Washington DC.



## FINANCIAL STABILITY NETWORK

### ATTENTION FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS!

Catholic Charities has launched its Financial Stability Network (FSN). The FSN consists of volunteer financial professionals offering *pro bono* financial education, financial coaching, and tax return preparation services for low income families and individuals in the Archdiocese of Washington. The next tax prep training session will be held Saturday January 14 from 8:30am -5pm at Catholic University. If you would like to attend, please contact Deacon Jim Shanahan at [jim.shanahan@catholiccharitiesdc.org](mailto:jim.shanahan@catholiccharitiesdc.org)



Would you like to receive Monsignor Antonicelli's weekly email? Simply send an email to [pastor@annunciationdc.org](mailto:pastor@annunciationdc.org) to sign up.



## EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

*When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply, "Amen." The leader greets those present in the following words:*

Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace. Blessed be God forever.  
**R/.** Blessed be God forever.

*In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:*

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling place among us. It is Christ who enlightens our hearts and homes with his love. May all who enter this home find Christ's light and love.

*One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example, Luke 19:1-9:*

Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham."

*The intercessions are then said:*

**Leader:** The Son of God made his home among us. With thanks and praise let us call upon him. **R/.** Stay with us, Lord.

**Leader:** Lord Jesus Christ, with Mary and Joseph you formed the Holy Family: remain in our home, that we may know you as our guest and honor you as our Head. We pray: **R/.** Stay with us, Lord.

**Leader:** Lord Jesus Christ, you had no place to lay your head, but in the spirit of poverty accepted the hospitality of your friends: grant that through our help the homeless may obtain proper housing. We pray: **R/.** Stay with us, Lord.

**Leader:** Lord Jesus Christ, the three kings presented their gifts to you in praise and adoration: grant that those living in this house may use their talents and abilities to your greater glory. We pray: **R/.** Stay with us, Lord.

*After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say the Lord's Prayer. The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:*

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them (us) with the light of Christ, that their (our) concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **R/.** Amen.

*The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:*

May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. **R/.** Amen.

*It is preferable to end the celebration with a suitable song, for example, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" or "We Three Kings."*

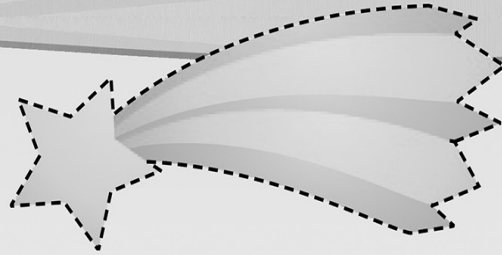
—From *Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers*

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## Gospel Today

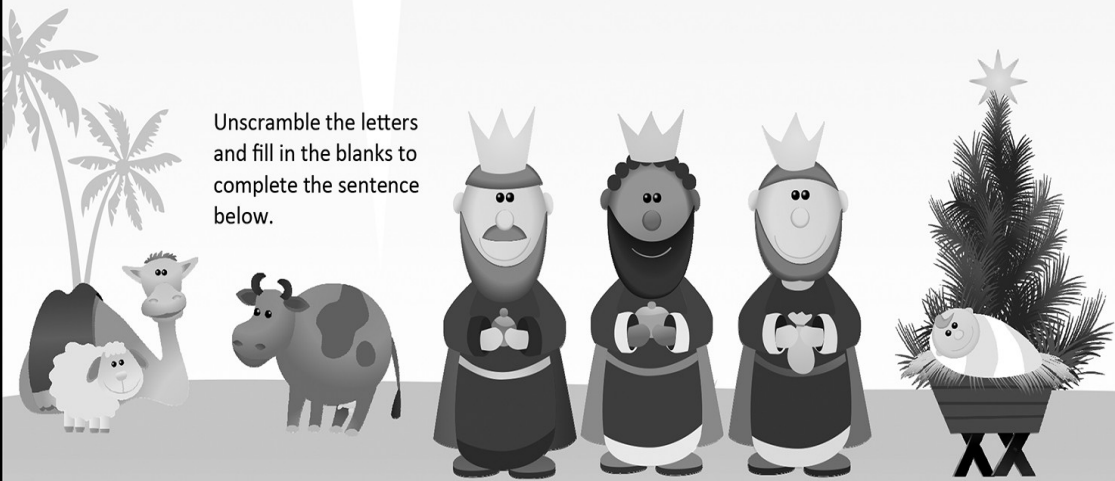
Epiphany of the Lord | Matthew 2:1-12

The Wise Men follow a star to the place where Mary and Jesus are and offer the Child gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They do not return to Herod but follow another route to their own country.



Find and write the missing letters not listed (from A to Z).

Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.



When they saw the \_\_\_\_\_, they were overjoyed.

Matthew 2:10

Cut out the yellow outlined star or make your own larger star and place it in the window as a reminder to follow Jesus with joy!