

Saint Mary Parish

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 6, 2019



Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,
“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.”

- Matthew 2:1-2

Pictured:
Students who portrayed the magi, Herod, chief priests and scribes of the people
at Lessons and Carols, Pope John XXIII School, December 19, 2018

THE FEAST OF EPIPHANY

One of the unique and triumphant accomplishments of NASA's space program was the successful landing of the lunar module "Eagle" from Apollo 11 on the surface of the Moon on July 20, 1969. It was the most memorable and historic event of the twentieth century. Six hours later after landing on the Moon, Neil Armstrong, the mission commander, emerged from the lunar module to become the first person to step onto the lunar surface. About 20 minutes later he was joined by Buzz Aldrin, the mission pilot. While they were walking on the Moon's surface collecting lunar material to bring back to Earth, astronaut Michael Collins piloted the command module "Columbia" in lunar orbit alone. The world stood speechless in awe and wonder watching those historic moments on TV.



Rev. Antony A. Joseph

After their triumphant return to Earth, the three astronauts made a good-will tour around the world. They visited 23 countries in 45 days. One of the most striking and stirring moments of the trip, said Buzz Aldrin, was the visit to the Vatican. The astronauts were especially moved by the unusual gifts presented them by His Holiness, Pope Paul VI. Writing in his book *Return to Earth*, Buzz Aldrin said, "His Holiness unveiled three magnificent porcelain statues of the three Wise Men. He said that these three men were directed to the infant Christ by looking at the stars and that we three also reached our destination by looking at the stars."

As the three astronauts admired the porcelain statues of the three wise men, their thoughts turned momentarily to the story we read in today's Gospel. Like us, they too—no doubt—reflected on the deeper meaning of this story. What is that deeper meaning? It is Jesus' manifestation of Himself to the Gentile world. That is why we call this feast "the Feast of Epiphany." The word *epiphany* means manifestation. On Christmas Day, through the lowly shepherds, Jesus revealed Himself to the people of Israel that He is the promised Messiah for whom they were waiting for thousands of years. On the day of Epiphany Jesus revealed that He is not only the Messiah of the chosen people, He is also the Messiah and Savior of the entire human race.

The three wise men, or the magi, were men of mystery. We do not know their whereabouts. Scripture does not give much detail about them. They came from the East searching for the newborn King of Israel under the guidance of a star that led them to Bethlehem, where they found the Baby Jesus with Mary and Joseph in a manger. They knelt down and worshipped Him, presenting Him with three special Gifts—frankincense, gold and myrrh—by which they acknowledged His divinity, kingship and humanity, respectively. Life was never the same after that discovery. Christ made all the difference to them, transforming their souls, calling them out of darkness into His own wonderful light.

The story of the magi has a relevance, and it holds true in every age. It symbolizes the religious journey of all people who are seeking God, using a glimmer of faith to point the way forward. The search for the truth always involves leaving the comfort and security of previously-held positions and views and facing the unknown. It requires courage, determination and hope, as the journey will be long and the pathway lined with failure, doubt and confusion. Deep down in our lives there is an uneasiness and a yearning after freedom and happiness, which can only be fulfilled when we experience the presence of God.

Christmas Memories

View dozens of photos from our parish and school Christmas activities.

Pope John XXIII Lessons & Carols <https://www.facebook.com/pj23school/>

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas basket deliveries in memory of John D. Norcross
<https://stevebecker.smugmug.com/ST-MARYS-CHRISTMAS-WITH-JOANNE>

Christmas Eve Family Mass www.stmaryevanston.org

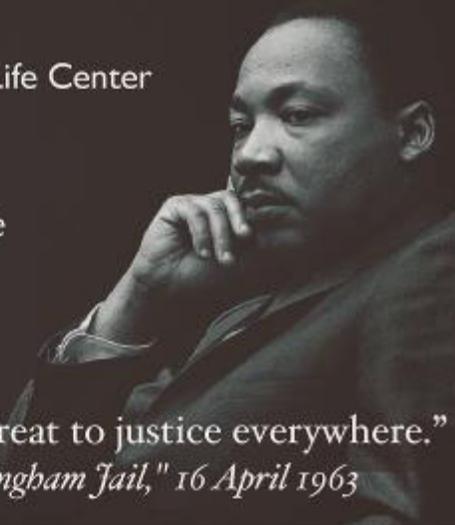
SAVE THE DATE

A Celebration of
The Life and Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Saturday, January 19, 2019
5:00 p.m. Mass
With Pastor Monté Dillard
from First Church of Christ Life Center

*Followed by a light dinner ~
feel free to bring a dish to share
or a bottle of wine.*

*“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”
from “Letter from a Birmingham Jail,” 16 April 1963*



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A Community of Faith and Service

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (vigil) 5 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Haitian Mass
(first Sunday of the month)
Monday - Saturday 8 a.m.
Holy Days 8 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

PARISH CENTER

You are welcome to visit our Library
and Chapel during business hours.

Monday–Friday 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Evenings:
Wednesday–Thursday 6–9 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS January 12–13

	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11 a.m.
Presider/ Homilist	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Kevin	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Greeters	North East	Delores Rosemond Christi Miller	John Fuller Nancy Fuller	Karie Ferrell <i>Volunteers needed</i>

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

Liturgical Ministers: Please refer to the MSP Scheduler for your scheduled assignments.

Altar Servers

Confessions Saturday, 4–4:30 Fr. Kevin

Please remember in your prayers

... those who are sick, especially Yolande Vilsaint; Teddi Nooney; Carolyn Buford; Ashley Vilme; Wallace Bowling; Lisa Frederick; Victoria Amaro Pena; Anita Kimmeler; Trevor Ellis; Jim Osburn; Don Mays; Julia Loiseau; Ruth Ann Quinn; June Reband; Clarissa Pompey; Tina Swanson; Joan Fondell; Mary DuCharme; Ben Johnson; Anne Teoli; Greg Reband; Jamie Adler; Giselle Bernadel; and Cleante Smith. Also remember in your prayers all those who have recently died, especially Fr. Willard Jabusch; and Roosevelt Lilly, Jr., brother of Patricia Lilly.

Have a name to add or remove? Email dfox@stmaryevanston.org.

Pray for our military, pray for peace

CDR Edward Carlton, U.S. Navy, son of Frank & Caroline Carlton ❖ Airman Lindsey Foley, U.S. Air Force, Scott AFB, niece of Chris Foley ❖ Lt. Daniel Kozicki, U.S. Navy, nephew of Linda O'Dwyer ❖ Cadet Helen Hitt, daughter of Stephanie and John Hitt.

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PARISH LIFE To arrange for the following, please call the Parish Office at **847 864-0333**.

MASS SCHEDULE.

Saturday (vigil) 5 p.m. Sunday 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
12:30 p.m. Haitian Mass (first Sunday of the month)
Monday - Saturday: 8 a.m.
Holy Days: 8 a.m., noon and 7 p.m.

RECONCILIATION. Mondays through Saturdays after 8 a.m.
Mass, Saturday afternoons 4:00–4:30 p.m. and by
appointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION. Every Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m.
in the church. Holy hour weekdays at noon in the Parish
Center chapel.

INFANT BAPTISMS. Registration in the parish is a prerequisite.
Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Preparation
Session at least two months prior to scheduling a Baptism.
These sessions are held on the second Monday of every
other month; the next session is **Monday, January 14**.

Baptisms are generally celebrated on the third Sunday of
the month at 12:30 p.m. based on the liturgical calendar.
Please call the Parish Office to register for the session.

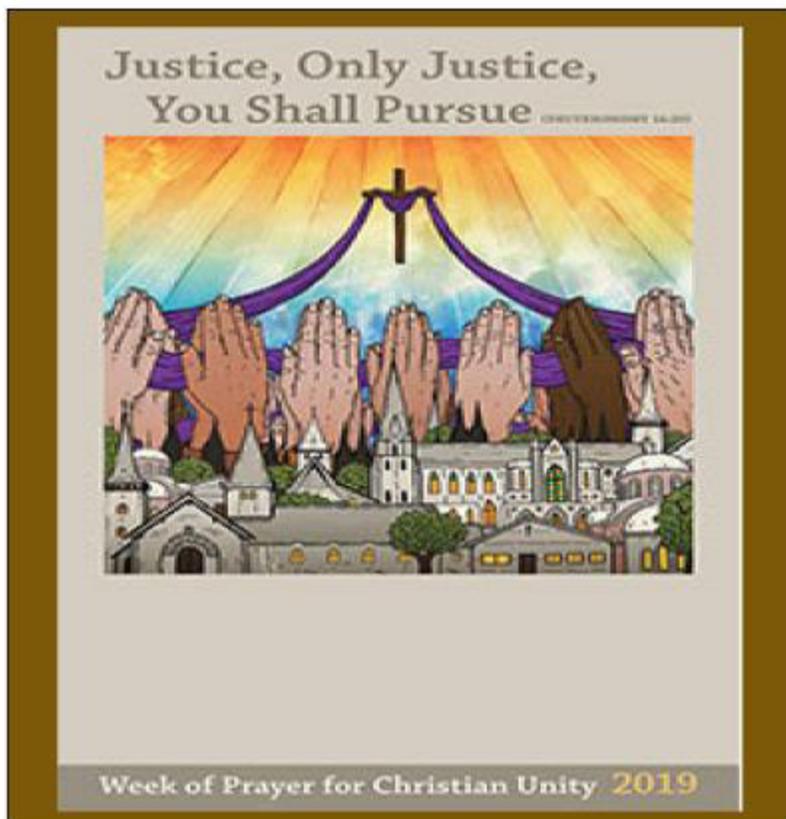
REGISTRATION. Saint Mary Parish welcomes new
parishioners. Please go online at stmaryevanston.org.
Complete the form, save it and return it as an attachment
to office@stmaryevanston.org.

MARRIAGE. Arrangements should be made with the parish
at least six months in advance.

RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

For adults or teenagers interested in becoming a Catholic
and receiving the sacraments of initiation (Baptism,
Eucharist or Confirmation).

MINISTERS OF CARE. Ministers of care are available to bring
Holy Communion to those who are home-bound, in the
hospital or in a nursing home. Contact the Parish Office.



EVANSTON WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

7 p.m.

First Congregational Church

(United Church of Christ)

Rev. Dr. Ann L. Rosewall, Senior Minister

1445 Hinman Avenue at Grove Street, Evanston

www.firstchurchevanston.org

This ecumenical worship service has as its theme the words of scripture: "Justice, only justice, you shall pursue." Together we celebrate Christian unity and hear the call to live in solidarity and collaboration as agents of justice and peace.

Preacher:

**Rev. Dr. Michael Nabors,
Second Baptist Church**

Multi-congregation

Choir

(rehearsal at 6:00 PM)

**Congregations and
clergy from all
denominations invited
to participate**

**All are
welcome!**

RESPECT LIFE

Two Marches, One Theme: Unique from Day One

Large scale public witness for life has come of age despite being unreported by mainstream media for many years. Ever larger events now occur throughout the year, inside and outside the United States. Two will occur in coming days.

- **March for Life Chicago.** Federal Plaza, Sunday, January 13, 2–4 p.m. For details on pre-march events, see www.marchforlife-chicago.org.
- **National March for Life, Washington, D.C.—The World's Largest Pro-life Event.** Friday, January 18 at the National Mall. For details on related events, see <http://marchforlife.org/mfl-2019/rally-march-info>. Consider these words from the organizers:

Being pro-life is **not in opposition to science**. It's quite the opposite, in fact! Medical and technological advancements continue to reaffirm the science behind the pro-life cause—that life begins at fertilization, or day one, when egg meets sperm and a new, unique human embryo is created.

From the moment of fertilization, our DNA is present, whether its 23 pairs of chromosomes or 22.

The unique fingerprint that each of us has—distinguishing us from any other human on the planet, is determined by that DNA at day one! Right from the beginning of life, you are becoming the unique, incredible, unrepeatable person that you are!

There is an abundance of scientific resources supporting the pro-life cause. Be sure to check out all that we have compiled below.

So why does this theme matter? To summarize, **science is on the side of life.**

When life begins and the stages of prenatal development are scientific facts. Humanity—and our uniqueness as individuals—begins on day one, at fertilization. Life, in its most vulnerable form, should be protected.

That, in essence, is why we march. We march to end abortion, with the vision of a world where the beauty, dignity and uniqueness of every human life are valued and protected.



Stewardship

Weekend of December 15–16

Sunday weekend collection	\$ 5,489
Year-to-Date as of Dec. 16 (25/52 weeks)	\$174,116
Goal for 2018/2019 Budget (25/52 weeks)	\$194,225
Difference + or (-)	(\$ 20,109)

*** Goal for the Fiscal Year 2018/2019 \$404,000 ***

Thank you for your generosity!

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72: 1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Evanston Catholic Woman's Club

The Evanston Catholic Woman's Club will be starting off this New Year with a guest speaker from MERCY HOME for Boys and Girls. The meeting will be Wednesday, January 9 at noon at Zhivago's Restaurant, 9925 Gross Point Road. For reservations call Carol at 847 475-7178 no later than January 6. All are welcome!

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord; Blessing of the Home; National Migration Week
Monday:	St. Raymond of Penyafort; Julian Calendar Christmas

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 5

5:00 For Our Parishioners

Sunday, January 6—Epiphany

8:00 † Souls in Purgatory

9:30 For Our Parishioners

11:00 † John Watson

12:30 *Haitian Mass*

Monday, January 7

8:00 † Esther Josephine Vukov

Tuesday, January 8

8:00 † Remy Whitlock

Wednesday, January 9

8:00 † Yvonne Sagaille

Thursday, January 10

8:00 † Emanuel Sagaille

Friday, January 11

8:00 † Edwidge Sagaille

Saturday, January 12

8:00 † Emanuella Sagaille

5:00 † Lou Zivic

Sunday, January 13

8:00 For Our Parishioners

9:30 Intentions of Fr. Chris (*in honor of his birthday*)

11:00 † Denise King

Intentions of the Pope

January *Young People and the Example of Mary—That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.*

Soup Kitchen Ministry

As we start the New Year, I want to thank everyone for your tremendous support of our Soup Kitchen Ministry during the year. This year is another example of the great support we have always received from the Saint Mary's community. We hosted eight events in 2018 and, at every one, we had plenty of volunteers and plenty of food. No one has ever gone home hungry when Saint Mary's hosts the soup kitchen!

Here is our schedule for the entire year:

Saint Mary's 2019 Soup Kitchen Schedule

January 24
March 21
April 25
June 13
July 25
August 29
October 17
December 12

As you can see, our next event is on **January 24**, in two short weeks. Although we will be hosting the event, it will be held at our usual location, **First United Methodist Church** here in Evanston where they have great kitchen and dining room facilities. As always, we are looking for:

- **Donated Food:** Salads, side dishes and desserts. Some of the dishes you bring have achieved legend status. But, if you're not a whiz in the kitchen or if you just don't have the time, we also need milk, fruit, hard-boiled eggs and cookies.
- **Volunteers on the day of:** We can use help preparing food, serving and cleaning up. We usually are in action from 5 PM to 7 PM. If you could, just let me know ahead of time so that we know how many to expect.
- **Monetary Donations:** We use the money to fund our frugal shoppers who shop for the main course of sloppy joes as well as the bag lunches we hand out—plus anything else that isn't covered by donated food. Any help here would be appreciated.

Thanks to everyone for your great support. We need you! If you would like to help in any way, just email me at jlarmee@larmeeassociates.com or call me at 847 347-2895.

- Jay Larmee



Adoration, apart from the Holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what has taken place in the liturgical celebration and makes it possible, to receive Christ, in a real and profound way.

Pope Benedict XVI

Eucharistic Adoration

Sundays 3–6 p.m.

January 6 in the Church

January 13 in the Parish Center Chapel

**Holy Hour—
Adoration & Rosary
Weekdays at Noon**
Parish Center Chapel