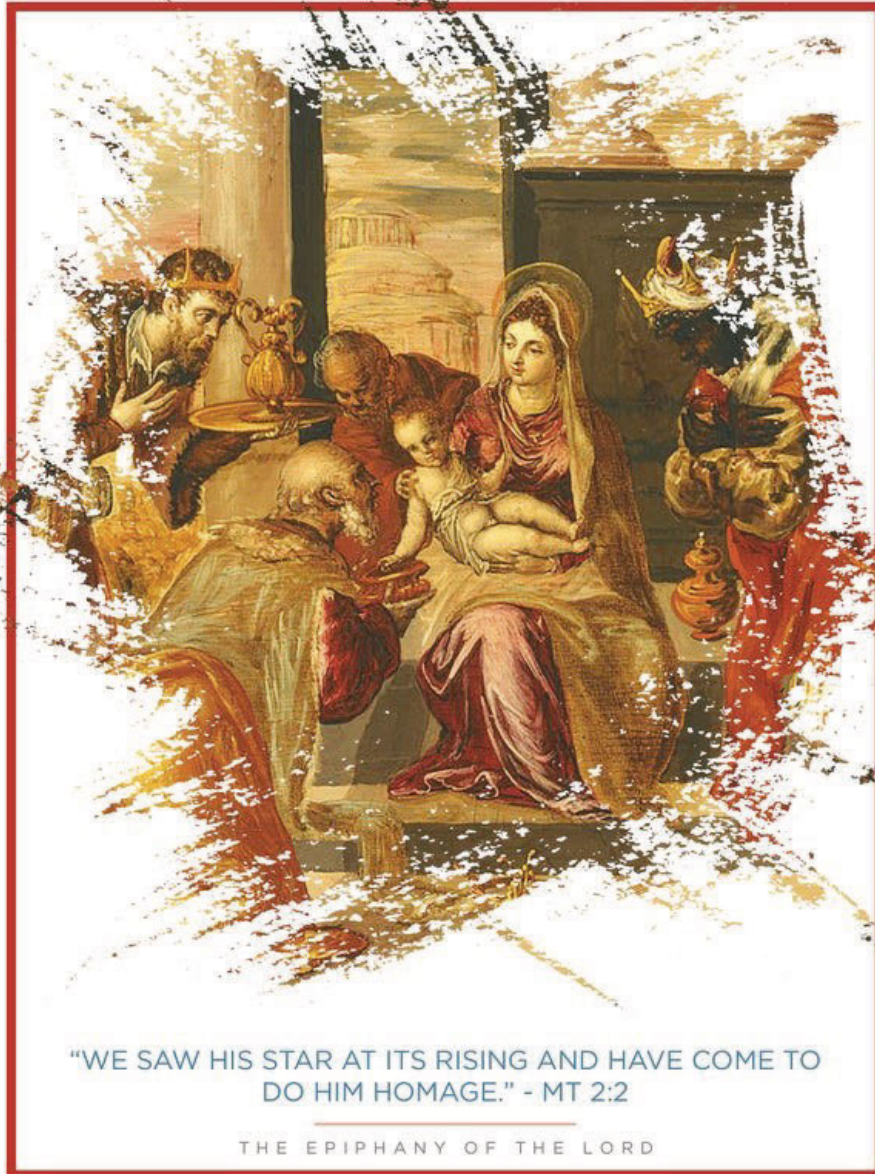


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# ST. JOSEPH'S AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Daily Mass

Monday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's  
Tuesday | 8:30 St Francis  
Wednesday | No Mass today  
Thursday | 8:30 am St Francis  
Friday | 8:30 am St Joseph's

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's  
6 pm St Francis (5/25 & 6/29 - 8/30/24)  
Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis  
10:30 am St Joseph's

#### Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's  
Sunday | 8 am St Francis

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We, the Roman Catholic community  
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**St. Joseph's Mass Intentions**

**Sat (6) 4 pm**

Our Parish family

**Sun (7) 10:30 am**

Liam Pickett

+ The Murray family

**Mon (8) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Fri (12) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Saturday (13) 4 pm**

Catherine & Vincenzo Vallone & deceased Vallone family members + Mary Pisanti

**Sun (14) 10:30 am**

Dot Milnyczuk

+ Joan Raven



**St. Francis Mass Intentions**

**Sun (7) 8:30 am**

Kimberly Snyder

+ Rick Koval

**Tuesday (9) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Thursday (11) 8:30 am**

No Mass today

**Sun (14) 8:30 am**

Kimberly Snyder + Joel & MaryAnn Bausewein

Robert Paul Henriques + Amelia Henriques

Manolita Cadiz Algenio + Amelia Henriques

**INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY** ~ Today we recall the magi, who, drawn by the star, journeyed from distant lands to find the newborn king of the Jews and present him with their finest gifts. We each make our own journey to the Lord, and when we come to celebrate the Eucharist we offer our finest gifts—our prayers, our lives, our future—to him whose birth we have just marked. Let us in turn welcome all those who are making their journeys from near and far to worship the Lord.

**WORD OF LIFE** ~ "Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world."  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE** ~ A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, "This place is boring. I want to go somewhere." So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, "Where am I *truly* at home?"

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, "**They were overjoyed at seeing the star.**" This star will bring them *home*, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you're a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that - at long last - God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, "Follow me! I will take you home!" Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

*Father John Muir*

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**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** ~ Though the magi did not know where the star of Bethlehem would lead, they trusted that God would be with them along the way. Let us all embrace that same faith as we go about the journey God has planned for us this year. ©LPi

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7, 2024** ~ Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12; Monday: Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11; Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28; Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39; Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45; Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12; Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17 ; Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

SJ Lector

1/13/24

D Walendziak

1/14/24

M Doyle

SF Lector

1/14/24

G Bubniak

# St. Joseph's

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
FEAST DAY  
January 8, 2024**



**Mass will be Online  
8:30 AM**

## Upcoming Events

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary  
 1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8am, pray the Rosary  
 1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting  
 1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 6:30 pm Rosary Society Meeting  
 Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall  
 2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Fr. Jun is away for the month of January. Please pray for a safe trip for him & his visiting family.

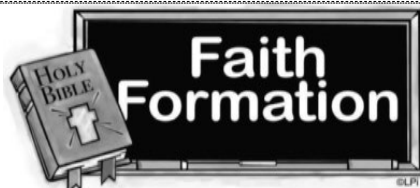
Daily Masses are cancelled while he is away. Masses resume on 2/5/24 at St. Joseph's & 2/6/24 at St. Francis'

If you would like a letter for **tax purposes**, please contact the office. Please supply your name & mailing address when you make the request. You can also pop a note in the collection making your request. Put Lisa's name on the request.

# St. Francis'

**St. Francis' prayer group** meets each Wednesday at 2pm in St. Francis' John Paul II Hall. All are welcome. We look forward to you joining us.

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by calling the office. Mass cards are available for the living, deceased & for healing; Masses provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of special occasions.



### Grades 1-5

**1/7/24** Classes resume

Mass as a Class

**1/14/24** No class

in observance of MLK day

### Grades 6-10

**1/8/24** Classes resume

6:45-7:45 pm & grades 6-10

**1/14/24** Grade 6-8 Retreat day

2:30-7pm @ Holy Trinity

The **Broadalbin Ecumenical Food Pantry** is always looking for non-perishable food for local eligible families. Non food items are also welcome - toothpaste, toothbrushes, diapers & personal hygienic items. Please drop off all donations in the vestibule or the church office.



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12/17/23	SJ 4 / 10:30	SF 8:30
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