

# Epiphany of the Lord

## January 7, 2023

Is 60:1-6  
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13.  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6  
Mt 2:1-12

*“Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.”*



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### Altar Flowers for the Birthday of Harris Ingle

### Mass Intentions

Sun	01/07	7:30 a.m.	(R) Steve Maher
		9:00 a.m.	(B) Lisa Toomey
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Celedonio Hernandez
		1:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish
Mon	01/08	6:45 a.m.	(R) Victoria Montgemery
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Maria Esguerra
Tues	01/09	6:45 a.m.	(R) Francisca Parangan
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Bob Rillo
Wed	01/10	6:45 a.m.	(T) Rovirosa Family
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Bernard Basilio
Thurs	01/11	6:45 a.m.	(B) Dody Zorrilla
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Francisco Trujillo
Fri	01/12	6:45 a.m.	(R) Sr. Basilia In Myong Lee
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Socorro Basilio
Sat	01/13	8:15 a.m.	(R) Virgilio Austria
		5:00 p.m.	(B) Santiago Carbonell
Sun	01/14	7:30 a.m.	(H) Harold Bodenheimer
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Benny M. & Manuel Lira
		11:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		1:00 p.m.	(B) Consuelo Ingle

Legend:

(R) Repose of the Soul (H) Health (P) Prayerful Intention  
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

**February 2024 Intentions Open January 2**

**Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:**

John Lydon, Rolando Cortez, Paul Cruel, Joshua Oehler, Meredith Morrow, Laura Starkey, Cheena Gutierrez, Maria de Fatima Pereira, Eileen Hayes, Barbara Donley, Cecilia Tan, Sherry Thomas, Barbara Helms, Greg Gormley, Joshua Chavez-Carroll, Colin Larkin, Jerry Schilz, Pauline Soop, Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner, Barbara Flores, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo, Mel Gaoen, Sean Daly, Jackie Ho, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini, Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Aurora Basilio, Leonor Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Margaret Lobo, Albert Tan Co, Ron Pearman, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad, Monika Pangelinan, Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad, Pete & Dorothy Szabo

**Please remember the following recently deceased (and their families) in your prayers:**

Gloria de Castro, Victoria Montgomery, Harlon Moore, Elda Slaviero, Darrell Perry, Mark Meagher, Olivia Curran, Larry Whitney, Brigitte Michael, Elizabeth McWalters, Apolonia Reyes, Cecelia Siu, Ross Martino, Maria Lupe Sanchez, James Donahue, Russell Ho, Robert Coronado, Andrew Kinane, Jack Curran, Arlene Saitz, Siong Beng Tan, Gregory Quillin

~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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## Brother's Corner

Happy Feast of the Baptism of the Lord! Last Sunday was the last of December, which means it would normally have been the day on which I give my "Brother's Report" at the end of Mass, but, as you may have noticed, I was not at St. Dominic's this Sunday. That's because I spent last week at SEEK, a conference for Catholic college students hosted by FOCUS (Fellowship Of Catholic University Students), a national campus ministry organization, in St. Louis, Missouri. Please keep all the students I met in your prayers!

As we re-enter Ordinary Time this week, we are being invited to reflect on what we have received throughout the seasons of Advent and Christmas, and what those gifts mean for us as we now follow Jesus in His ministry. To do that, we can have no better guide than Jesus' own Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary.

If we see with spiritual eyes, then we know that the Blessed Virgin Mary is the highest honor of the human race, the most favored by God, made completely holy, pure, and beautiful for her unique vocation of bringing God into the world. And yet, to the worldly eyes of flesh, Mary could not be more lowly, more ordinary, more unremarkable. She was a poor peasant girl with no power, no wealth, no high education.

Perhaps this seems like a contradiction, the worldly poverty of Our Lady on the one hand, and her spiritual exaltation on the other. But this is the logic of the Cross, the divine foolishness which is wiser than human wisdom, by which power is manifested in weakness, and glory in humiliation.

In reality, it is exactly the ordinariness of the Blessed Virgin's life which God chose to bless. It was from that humility that her *fiat*, her "yes", came forth which welcomed God into herself. Throughout her life with her divine Son, she remained simple, poor, and lowly, just as Jesus did. She remained close to Him, closer than anyone else, sharing even His Passion as he offered Himself for the world.

Mary shows us the way to be close to Jesus, and it lies, for most of us, not in what is considered exceptional and admirable in the world, but rather in the simplicity and lowliness of daily life. If our lives seem unremarkable and empty, it is only the emptiness of the manger, of the womb, into which Jesus greatly desires to descend, to be present with us and invite us to follow Him. So let us look for him there, in what is lowly. That is where His Mother found Him, and where she waits to reveal Him to us in turn.

**Br. Anselm LeFave, O.P. - Resident Brother**  
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## Upcoming Events

**Votive Mass in Honor of the the Santo Niño**  
with Reception to Follow  
Saturday, January 13  
11:00 a.m.  
Church

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**  
Monday, January 15  
Office & School Closed

**Pro-Life Eucharistic Adoration**  
Monday, January 15  
9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Church

**West Coast Walk for Life**  
Saturday, January 20  
San Francisco

**Cake Sunday**  
Sunday, January 21  
After the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses

**St. Dominic School Mass & Open House**  
Sunday, January 28  
Mass - 9:00 a.m.  
Open House - 10:00—11:30 a.m.

**Catholic Schools Week**  
January 28—February 2

**St. Dominic's, Benicia**  
**January 15, 2024**  
**9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

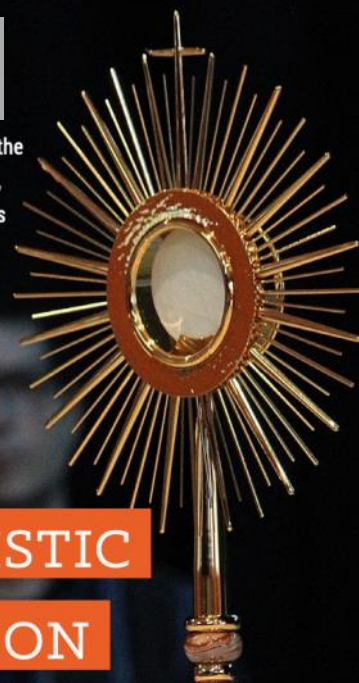
Let us take some time to pray for the  
unborn, their mothers and fathers,  
and pray for state and federal laws  
that harm those most vulnerable.

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**LIFE**

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**ADORATION**





## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Livestreamed  
 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
 1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)  
 First Sunday of month Vietnamese Mass – 3:00 p.m.

### Daily Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:45 a.m.  
 Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

## Confession Times

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday 9:00 a.m.  
 Saturday 3:30 p.m.

## Ministries at St. Dominic's

### ♦ Adoration

Euly Legro - [adoration@stdombenicia.org](mailto:adoration@stdombenicia.org)

### ♦ Choirs

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### ♦ Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

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### ♦ Gabriel Project

Sandy Scafani & Maria Padrones - [gabriel@stdombenicia.org](mailto:gabriel@stdombenicia.org)

### ♦ GIFT - Growing In Faith Together

Shannon Carter - [gift@stdombenicia.org](mailto:gift@stdombenicia.org)

### ♦ Guadalupana Association

Patricia Chavez - [guadalupana@stdombenicia.org](mailto:guadalupana@stdombenicia.org)

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### ♦ RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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### ♦ St. Dominic's Cemetery

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**Our ministries are back to their regular monthly meetings on campus. Please email and find out more about them and how you can join! They look forward to hearing from you.**

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### PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT 7/1/2023-11/30/2023

	YTD	YTD	+ / -
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Offertory	\$ 384,007	\$ 412,917	\$ (28,910)
Second Collections:			
Building Improvement	\$ 18,305	\$ 20,833	\$ (2,528)
Faith Formation	\$ 4,780	\$ 4,583	\$ 197
SDS Tuition Assistance	\$ 5,217		
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 29,790		
Total Operating Income	\$ 533,750	\$ 521,975	\$ (11,775)
Operating Expenses	\$ 616,530	\$ 561,661	\$ 54,870
Net Income/Loss	\$ (82,780)	\$ (39,686)	\$ (43,095)

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<b>SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER</b>	Jan 07: Building Improvement Jan 14: SDS Tuition Assistance Jan 21: Building Improvement	Jan 28: Faith Formation

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