

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: JANUARY 7, 2018

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Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English)
7:00PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12 Noon
4PM (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8AM

First Friday: 7:30PM

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays from 5PM-7:30PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena-Wednesdays
after morning mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy- Mondays & Fridays
after morning mass

Confessions

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment

RCIA

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church, contact Rene Asuncion at 925-458-4574.

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office. Spanish Classes, contact Hilda Avelar at 925-458-3656. Vietnamese baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung at the parish office.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Religious Education

Contact Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.
Tel:(925) 458-4574 *Website: olqwr.olqw.org
Email: director@olqwr.olqw.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Mondays 9:30AM -11AM in the Parish hall

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 8

7:30 am Ricky Belza

Tuesday, January 9

7:30 am Fe Maxwell

Wednesday, January 10

7:30am Lita Gatmaitan

Thursday, January 11

7:30am Teodora Mendoza

Friday, January 12

7:30am Edward Diokno

Saturday, January 13

8:00 am Frank Jimenez

5:00pm Amor de Guzman

7:00pm (SP) Estella Reynozo

Sunday, January 14

8:00 am Jean Serna

10:00 am Melania Posadas

12:00 pm Donna McLean & Mary

"Babe" McLean Zampa

4:00pm (VIET)

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, 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."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage."

After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association

Lourdes Servigon 925-334-9111

Hispanic Association

Rosie Estrada, Coordinator 925-639-7946

Gladys Giron, Secretary 925-334-9873

Columbiettes

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Patsy Welty, President 925-458-6787

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Esther Tilton, President

SVDPOLQW@gmail.com

Lina Ramon, Treasurer

Katt Embody, Secretary

Legion of Mary

Rick Belza 925-261-0283

Vietnamese Association

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fr. Culver, Carol Hampton, Ed Plaza, German Duarte, Mai Dinh, Doug Parker, Kathy Nebel, Michelle McLaughlin, Liliana Baltar, Jovita Domingo, all those in the Parish who are sick, and all those listed in the Book of Intention. If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

December 24: \$5,009

Parish Assessment: \$2,086

Christmas – December 25: \$20,073

December 31: \$6,665

St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,395

New Year – January 1: \$1,131

Tax statements will be available after January 31. On your contribution envelopes, please indicate that you need a statement or call the rectory.

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or "Our Lady Queen of the World." This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted.

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL



The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – JANUARY 8



Today, we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. When Epiphany falls on either January 7 or 8, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany. In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners. The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus. The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to his ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

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"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

FOOD DRIVE

We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church foyer; please be generous. Our groups of volunteers are here every Monday, and they always need groceries to help the needy in our community. The demand has been much greater!



Feeding the Community

PARISH EVENTS

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.



MANDATORY WORKSHOP FOR ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS



Liturgical ministers of all Masses are invited to attend a workshop on Wednesday, January 24 at 7pm in the church. Come to refresh ways of serving at liturgies and making them prayerful.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

YOUTH CONCERT



Please reserve the date for a fun night on January 14, 2018.

The OLQW Parish Youth Group will present a concert in the Palis Hall.

Tickets are only \$10.00 and includes snack provided by the Filipino Association of OLQW. Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry is looking for an organist for the 8 a.m. Sunday Mass. Please contact Shawnie Graham at 925-389-1874 or e-mail her at ladycion@comcast.net.



WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Mon. 01/08	7:00pm	H: Religious Ed.
Tues. 01/09	7:00pm	CH: Pre-Baptism class
	7:00pm	H: K of C Meeting
	7:00pm	H: Hispanic Meeting
Wed. 01/10	9:15am	CH: Legion of Mary
	2:00pm	RMG Pittsburg Care Center
	7:00pm	H: Parish Council Meeting
Thurs. 01/11	7:00pm	P#2: Divine Mercy
	7:00pm	H: Finance Meeting
	7:00pm	H: RCIA
Fri. 01/12	5:00pm	CH: Adoration
	7:00pm	P#1: Hispanic Choir
Sat. 01/13	9:00am	H: Religious Ed.
	6:00pm	H: Sto. Nino Celebration Potluck

RELIGION QUIZ

The Wise Men bring to Jesus ____ gifts.

Last week's answer: Jesus was 8 days old when he was circumcised and given his name.



Saturday, January 27, 11:00 am
Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco
415-658-1793 Info@WalkforLifeWC.com
WalkForLifeWC.com

Join us for the 14th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco! Rally starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street (2 miles). Ends at Justin Herman Plaza/Ferry Building. BART stations at both locations. Ample parking.

ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 28
from 10:00 A.M until Noon.

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for 3 yr.-old Preschool, 4 yr.-old PreKindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals, and values. Extended Care and extra-curricular programs are also available. Applications are available at the school and on our website www.stpetermartyrschool.org. St. Peter Martyr School is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg. We are fully accredited and invite you to become part of our Catholic school family. Our Open House is Sunday, January 28, from 10:00 A.M. until noon. Bring the family, meet the teachers, and visit the classrooms. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit www.stpetermartyrschool.org.

Warm A Soul

Saint Vincent De Paul



Our Lady Queen of the World

Coat drive



Have an extra coat

in your CLOSET?



Help us help others .

The days are getting colder

**Check your closets for an extra sweater,
sweatshirt, coat or jacket**

Drop off in the bin at church .

Collecting thru till January 28th

SANTO NINO CELEBRATION

Our Lady Queen of the World invites you to attend the Nine Day Novena to the Santo Nino beginning January 4 to January 12, 2018, after the morning mass. Join us and celebrate the Santo Niño Festival on January 13, 2018, 5:00 p.m. Mass to be followed by a potluck reception at Palis Hall



Father in heaven, may we recognize your Son as God even in the lowliness of His human nature and adore Him as our mighty Lord even in the frailty of His childhood. May we follow Him with sincere hearts. Help us to welcome His kingdom among us with the eagerness of a child and to received the reward promised to the humble.



10th Annual
Parish Crab Feed

Sponsored by
The Knights of Columbus #7164



Bread, salad, pasta and all you can eat
Crab or Tri-Tip

Beer, Wine and soft drinks will also be available

Saturday January 27th

Doors open at 6:00 PM Dinner service begins at 7:00 PM

Tickets must be purchased by January 21st



Adult ticket \$45.00

Youth (10 and younger) \$10.00

Table of 8 for 325.00

Cash, checks made payable to the Knights of Columbus
MC, Visa and Debt cards accepted

Call 925-234-3975

Online purchase: <https://tinyurl.com/7164OLQW>

