

# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 2, 2022

*“We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.”  
(Matthew 2: 2)*

**Fr. Thomas Khue, Parochial Administrator**  
**Deacon Loc Nguyen**  
**Sister Elizabeth Diep Huynh, Bookkeeper**  
**Maria Faye Dolor, Secretary**

### Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00 PM

### Masses

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

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon (English)  
4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8:00AM  
First Friday: 7:30 pm

### Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00PM- 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

### Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office.

\* **Spanish Classes**, contact Gladys Giron 925-334-9873.

\* **Vietnamese** baptisms, contact Fr. Thomas Khue at the parish office.

### Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

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### • Religious Education

RCIA Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church.

### • St. Vincent de Paul

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

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



## Monday, January 3

7:30 am Yolanda Yu Wright †

## Tuesday, January 4

7:30 am Mai Dinh & Ngan Vu †

## Wednesday, January 5

7:30 am Rene Lee Ing Sr. †

## Thursday, January 6

7:30 am Deceased Zapata Family Members †

## Friday, January 7

7:30 am Giuse Khang Nguyen †

7:30 pm (VN)

## Saturday, January 8

10:00 am Mai Dinh & Ngan Vu †

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Ebias-Vicente Family †

7:00 pm (SP)

## Sunday, January 9

8:00 am Olivier Morales †

10:00 am Virgilia Villarca

12 noon Liana Chayenne Osorio

4:00 pm (VN)



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## GOSPEL READING

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.

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Adele Discipulo, Virgilio Constantino, Francisco Arias, Pacita Grabek, Carmelo Cecilio, Lynn Anderson, Helena Magante, Betty Tecson, Victoria Lapid, Bert Tomas, Po Hyun Cho, Henry Rodgers, Trinidad Crockett, Luz Valenzuela, Portia Montecillo, Viet Anh Le, Patrick Kenney, Logan Kenney, Claire F. Luna, Bertha Baldauf, Ginger Lopez, Nadine Jerez, Jose Leon Zapata, Carolyn Hoppenhauer, Mario Dolor, victims of the Coronavirus, 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 458-4718.*

### STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Plate December 19: \$ 7,107

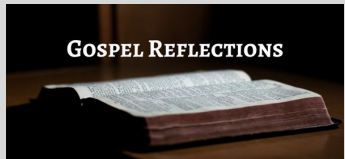
Maintenance Fund: \$ 1,780

2021 Insurance: Total: \$ 18,589 Fully Paid

2021 Assessment: Total: \$ 55, 485 Fully Paid

*Thank you for your contribution support to sustain the ministries & ongoing needs of our parish.*

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or Our Lady Queen of the World for both first and second collections. Also please put your envelope number on the Memo line.



Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. This feast is part of the Christmas season, and we should place today's Gospel in the context of what Luke's Gospel tells us about the birth of Jesus. Luke has been answering the question "Who is Jesus?" through his stories of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. Today's Gospel reading continues this theme. It has no parallel in the other Gospels and is the conclusion of Luke's Infancy Narrative.

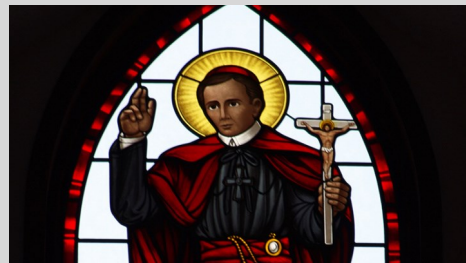
Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are presented in this Gospel as a faithful Jewish family. They are participating in the annual pilgrimage to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, an event shared each year with family and friends. When Jesus is found, Luke describes him as seated in the Temple in the midst of the Jewish teachers. Although he is young, Jesus seems not to need teaching about his Jewish tradition. In his dialogue with these learned teachers, Jesus astounds them with his insight and understanding. Jesus is a child of Israel. His Father is God.

The dialogue between Mary and Jesus contains many references to family relationships. In fact, in this Gospel reading Mary and Joseph are never identified by name. Instead they are referred to by their relationship to Jesus. Ultimately, this emphasizes Luke's point about the identity of Jesus. When Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple, they question Jesus and express their anxiety. Jesus replies in words that many have thought to be disrespectful. Jesus says that he was never lost; he was at home. Jesus is God's Son, and he is in his Father's house. Luke will continue to suggest that faith in Jesus establishes new family relationships as he describes Jesus' public ministry.

In Luke's Gospel, Mary's importance is even greater than her role as Jesus' mother. Mary is the first disciple and will be present with Jesus' disciples after his Resurrection at Pentecost.

## ST. JOHN NEUMANN

FEAST DAY: JANUARY 5



Perhaps because the United States got a later start in the history of the world, it has relatively few canonized saints, but their number is increasing.

John Neumann was born in what is now the Czech Republic. After studying in Prague, he came to New York at 25 and was ordained a priest. He did missionary work in New York until he was 29, when he joined the Redemptorists and became its first member to profess vows in the United States. He continued missionary work in Maryland, Virginia and Ohio, where he became popular with the Germans. At 41, as bishop of Philadelphia, he organized the parochial school system into a diocesan one, increasing the number of pupils almost twentyfold within a short time.

Gifted with outstanding organizing ability, he drew into the city many teaching communities of sisters and the Christian Brothers. During his brief assignment as vice provincial for the Redemptorists, he placed them in the forefront of the parochial movement.

Well-known for his holiness and learning, spiritual writing and preaching, on October 13, 1963, John Neumann became the first American bishop to be beatified. Canonized in 1977, he is buried in St. Peter the Apostle Church in Philadelphia.

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### Reflection

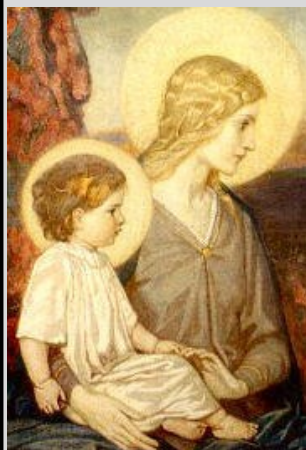
Neumann took seriously our Lord's words, "Go and teach all nations." From Christ he received his instructions and the power to carry them out. For Christ does not give a mission without supplying the means to accomplish it. The Father's gift in Christ to John Neumann was his exceptional organizing ability, which he used to spread the Good News. Today the Church is in dire need of men and women to continue in our times the teaching of the Good News. The obstacles and inconveniences are real and costly. Yet when Christians approach Christ, he supplies the necessary talents to answer today's needs. The Spirit of Christ continues his work through the instrumentality of generous Christians.

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**Saint John Neumann is a Patron Saint of:**  
Educators/Teachers

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-john-neumann>

# *The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord*



Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany. "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power." With these words, the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent. Epiphany, therefore, marks the liturgical zenith of the Advent-Christmas season.

— Pius Parsch

The Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated either on January 6 or, according to the decision of the episcopal conference, on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. The young Messiah is revealed as the light of the nations. Yet, as the antiphon for the Magnificat at Second Vespers reminds us, three mysteries are encompassed in this solemnity: the adoration of the Christ Child by the Magi, the Baptism of Christ and the wedding feast at Cana. Extra candles and/or lamps may be placed around the sanctuary and in other parts of the church to honor Christ revealed as the Light of the Gentiles (Ceremonial of Bishops). It is customary to replace the images of the shepherds at the crib with the three Magi and their gifts. — Ceremonies of the Liturgical Year, Msgr. Peter J. Elliott, Ignatius Press.

The Memorials of St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors, which is ordinarily celebrated today, is superseded by the Sunday liturgy.



The feast of the Epiphany, which was kept in the East and in certain Western Churches before being observed in Rome, seems to have been originally a feast of the nativity; January 6, for those churches where it was kept, was the equivalent of Christmas (December 25) in the Roman Church. The feast was introduced at Rome in the second half of the sixth century and became the complement and, so to say, the crown of the Christmas festival.

Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation. St. Leo brings out this point admirably in a sermon, read at Matins, in which he shows in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Saviour.

That is the meaning, too, of the wonderful prophecy from Isaias which the liturgy appoints to be read in the first nocturn at Matins and at the Epistle of the Mass. This same thought of universal redemption the Church returns to as she sings, in the antiphon to the Magnificat at 2nd Vespers, applying the words to herself, of the union with Christ typified by the wedding feast at Cana, by the baptism of her children foreshadowed by that of Christ in the waters of the Jordan. Formerly the Epiphany was an additional day for solemn baptisms.

**PARISH EVENTS**

**BAPTISM**



Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, January 11th at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.

***SANTO NINO CELEBRATION***

Our Lady Queen of the World invites you to attend the Nine Day Novena to the Santo Nino beginning January 6 to January 15, 2022, after the morning mass.



*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.*

**CCD**

Christmas break for Religious education will be from December 21 to January 3.

Classes resume on Saturday, January 8th and Monday, January 10th.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Please drop your Sunday Envelopes in the wooden box in front entrance of the Church or the rectory mail box or mail it to the Church. You can also go online at <https://oakdiocese.org/parish-support>.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**



Are you looking for ways to experience God?

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to share in their ministry of experiencing God in serving people living in poverty. We see Christ in the poor because Jesus told us "whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me."

Contact Esther Tilton, Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference President, at 925-597-0303.

**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!





**SATURDAY, JANUARY 8TH : DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM**

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

### Monday, January 3

11:15 am P#2: Legion of Mary  
7:00 pm No CCD

### Tuesday, January 4

7:30 pm Hall: Knights of Columbus

### Wednesday, January 5

### Thursday, January 6

7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy Prayer

### Friday, January 7

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

### Saturday, January 8

9:00 am CCD

### Sunday, January 9

## REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL MONTHLY MASS

Saturday, January 8, 2022, 11:00 AM

Online remembrance Mass of those in our faith community who have been laid to rest in Catholic Cemeteries over the past month.

**Tax statements will be available after February 04.**

**On your contribution envelopes, please indicate that you need a statement or call the rectory. If you have moved, please update your information using the form below.**

## *Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic*

O Mary,

you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.

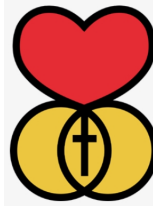
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Give the gift of time and yourself to your spouse. Join us on one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences. Both Virtual and In-Person Experiences are available. The next in-person Experience in the Oakland Diocese is March 4-6, 2022. Go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) to find the Experience that is just right for you!

## UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

If you are a registered parishioner and have moved or changed phone numbers, please update your contact information. Print all information and return to the Parish Office or email the rectory at [Rectory@olqw.org](mailto:Rectory@olqw.org).

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

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# Knights of Columbus

Bishop Begin Council 7164  
Our Lady Queen of the World Parish  
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The Knights will be selling pre-ordered breakfast on Sunday, January 9, 2022 in the church hall from 9:00 a.m. to 11 am.

**Please order by Friday, January 7 to make sure your order is ready.**

PLATE \$7.50 eggs & pancakes

Choose: bacon\_\_\_\_, sausage\_\_\_\_, or ham\_\_\_\_

Choose: milk\_\_\_\_ or orange juice\_\_\_\_

**You can take it to go or dine in.**

**PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop off this flyer in the church's rectory or any Knight or email orders to Kip Trombley at 925-285-5118 or [kat\\_services@yahoo.com](mailto:kat_services@yahoo.com) or Manuel Rosario at 925-595-4358 or [mnrosario@comcast.net](mailto:mnrosario@comcast.net).