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TO LOVE AND TO SERVE OTHERS

JANUARY 3, 2021

THE EPIPHANY
OF THE
LORD



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

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MASS INTENTIONS - JANUARY 3 - 10

Sun. 10:00 am † Doug Patton

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday Parish Community of St. Theresa

Thursday

Friday

Sun. 10:00 am † Doug Patton

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SUNDAY OFFERING**ONLINE GIVING :**

(December 14 - 20) 71 DONORS **\$ 3,700.60**

DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:

(December 14-20) 18 DONORS **\$ 1,355.00**

DUE TO AN EARLY BULLETIN PUBLISHING DATE THE SUNDAY OFFERING FOR DECEMBER 21 - 28 WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE JANUARY 10TH BULLETIN.

You can help us
 during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During this challenging time, we depend on online donations to continue our ministry. Use eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Use the link on the parish website to donate.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020**Bishop's Appeal 2020**

St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800

Percentage Achieved **99.73%**

\$35,704.00 as of October 31, 2020

DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Donna Van Beek, the mother of David Van Beek.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL ESPECIALLY:


Matt Mercier, Irene Clark, Daniel Sullivan, Dave DeMonte, Sven Cooper Little, Nadine McMillan, Heidi Parmelee, Denise Bridges, Kristine Berman, Helen Buty, Aiden Farinella, Liza Mitra, Guido M., Jim Testa, Kevin Stallone, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Patricia Green, Hazel Villata, Juanita Estrella, Diane Longfield, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Pat Tynan, Olga Lamberti, Matt White, Mark Dreier, Tom Sanford, Fr. Alex Snyder, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Tom Jones, Sigrid Castaldo, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Barbara Krummer, John Bouey, Mirella Baldo, Karis Chodzko, Diana Martinez, Susan Springer, Rachel Cecchetti, Br. Michael Gillette, Takako Smith, Jeanne Cuttitta, Melinda Parker, Margie Sullivan Maddie Heitkemper, Chris Cuttitta, Daryl Shields, Lennox Peerson, Joan Simmons, Pasquale Fusillo, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

What are you doing to bring Christ to others beyond your family and parish? Are you young or an active retiree? Consider becoming a volunteer missionary yourself! Contact Catholic Volunteer Network (catholicvolunteernetwork.org) for opportunities to serve here or overseas. Alternatively, support Catholic Home Missions, which helps to bring the gospel to the poorest and most remote areas of our country.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

January 3 bulletin, was due by December 21 (Monday)

January 10 bulletin, was due by January 1 (Friday)

January 17 bulletin, is due by January 8 (Friday)

January 24 bulletin, is due by January 15 (Friday)

Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.

Email to cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org.



12/4/2020

Dear St. Theresa's Community -
thank you, thank you,
thank you for continued
support of our emergency
food program. It means
the world to us! Especially
at this difficult time,
your caring makes an
enormous difference -
Sharon

WINGS ~ WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

WINGS resumes on January 6, 2021, with the Winter season devoted to the study and sharing of Scripture. This faith enhancement group for women encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, life sharing and community. We will meet on Wednesdays on the Zoom platform from 9:15 -11:15am until further notice. Our engaging speakers will uplift you and keep you informed. You'll experience a welcoming community as we support each other in our spiritual growth. Invite a friend! Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome! If you're new to WINGS or wish to sample a meeting, send your email address to Nancy Midlin midlin.nancy@gmail.com. She will send you the link to Zoom. The theme for the year is:



"Strength for the Journey"

JANUARY 6TH

**SHABANA SHAHBAZ
PRESCHOOL AFTERCARE WALDORF TEACHER**

My Faith, My Love, My Journey

WALK-UP HOLY COMMUNION

FOLLOWING SUNDAY 10:00 AM LIVE-STREAM MASS

Communion will be distributed in the church vestibule following the live-stream Mass. We ask that you line up using the social distancing markers on the steps and blacktop. **You will be ushered one person at a time into the vestibule for communion.** Volunteers will be there to assist you.

Masks **MUST** be worn at all times. Please use a hand sanitizer before receiving communion. If you are wearing gloves, you must remove them before receiving Eucharist. It is preferred that you receive the Host in your hands for the time being.

After receiving Holy Communion, there will be a table where you may pick up a bulletin and a basket for your Sunday offering, and then please return to your car and depart. The church will not be open for individual prayer during this time.

PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

**EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING**

Materials: a piece of chalk and a small container of holy water. Gather with family members, friends, and perhaps some neighbors at the front door.

Leader: In the (+) name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We sign this doorway with four crosses and the numerals of the new year.

[20 + C + M + B + 21]

Let us pray: May Christ bless this house!

ALL: Amen!

Each room of the house is sprinkled with holy water.

Living room:

Where two or three are gathered in your name, Lord, you are present. Bless this room, O Lord.

ALL: Amen!

Kitchen:

Give us this day our daily bread.

Bless this room, O Lord.

ALL: Amen!

Dining room:

Prepare us for the heavenly banquet.

Bless this room, O Lord.

ALL: Amen!

Bedrooms:

Stay with us Lord, when night has come.

Bless this room, O Lord.

ALL: Amen!

Bathroom:

Cleanse us from all sin. Bless this room, O Lord.

ALL: Amen!

All return to the front door to pray together.

Leader: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father . . .

The leader sprinkles all present with holy water.

Bless this household through all days to come, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever and ever.

ALL: Amen!

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

Let's celebrate hope by keeping it simple. Let's live gently on the earth.

To support refugees and immigrants consider donating to:
 Our own St. Vincent de Paul
 Catholic Relief Services (international work)
 Doctors without Borders (international work)

Read the "Refuge" by Anne Booth and Sam Usher

Faith and Action project December 13th through January 6th:

Remember during this time of COVID we need clothes that are new or washed/gently used.

Please drop off on Sundays only after mass between 10:45am and 11:30am. We will have volunteer there to pick up.

We can also do "no contact" pick up from your home. Get in touch with Lydia Deck for details & to arrange for pick up. ltdeck@me.com

Oakland Catholic Worker:

Hospitality house for Latin American immigrants and refugees.

WISH LIST:

- ◆ Gas cards
- ◆ toilet paper
- ◆ Paper towels
- ◆ earphones
- ◆ baseball hats for men
- ◆ sweatshirts for men and boys
- ◆ Women's & girls' sweaters and skirts and blouses
- ◆ Sweaters and sweatshirts for kids (1-18 years old)
- ◆ Women's sandals
- ◆ shampoo especially for dandruff
- ◆ tote bags
- ◆ Sewing machines
- ◆ A washing machine

ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FOR THE SICK OR DECEASED

You can now submit names for the Prayers of the Faithful (*Prayers for the Sick or Recently Deceased*) online.

Please complete the form on the parish website page Prayer/Mass & Confession Time, their name will be included in the weekly bulletin and our Sunday live-stream Mass.

This form is not for Mass Intentions.

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at melody@sttheresaokland.org or 510.547.2777, ext. 120 (Tuesday - Thursday).

WEEKLY READINGS

January 4 - 10

Monday:

1 Jn 3:22-4:6
 Ps 2
 Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday

1 Jn 4:7-10
 Ps 72
 Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday

1 Jn 4:11-18
 Ps 72
 Mk 6:45-52

Thursday:

1 Jn 4:19-5:4
 Ps 72
 Lk 4:14-22a

Friday

1 Jn 5:5-13
 Ps 147
 Lk 5:12-16

Saturday


1 Jn 5:14-21
 Ps 149
 Jn 3:22-30

Sunday:

Is 55:1-11
 Ps Is 12
 1 Jn 5:1-9
 Mk 1:7-11



Magi from the east arrived

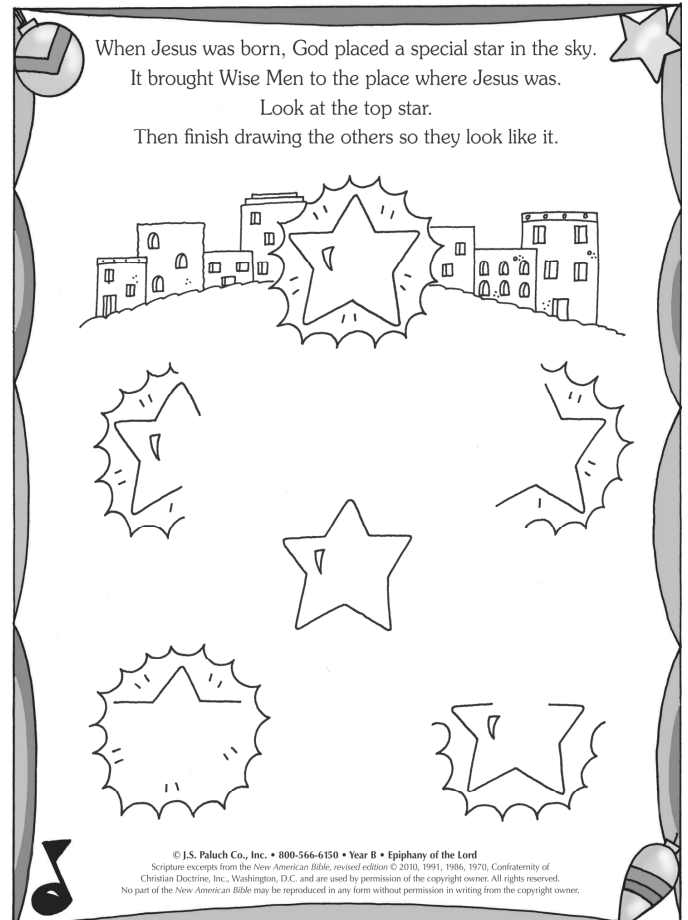


Epiphany of the Lord

Before Jesus was born, the prophet Micah wrote that Bethlehem would be an important place (Micah 5:1). Draw a line through the first word and then every other word after that. The words that are left will tell you part of what was written about this famous town.

When	From	until	you
sent	shall	search	come
decide	a	star	ruler

When Jesus was born, God placed a special star in the sky. It brought Wise Men to the place where Jesus was. Look at the top star. Then finish drawing the others so they look like it.



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CATHOLIC CORNER

ALL SHALL COME BEARING GIFTS

The prophet Isaiah foresaw that knowledge of the Messiah would spread to foreign lands.

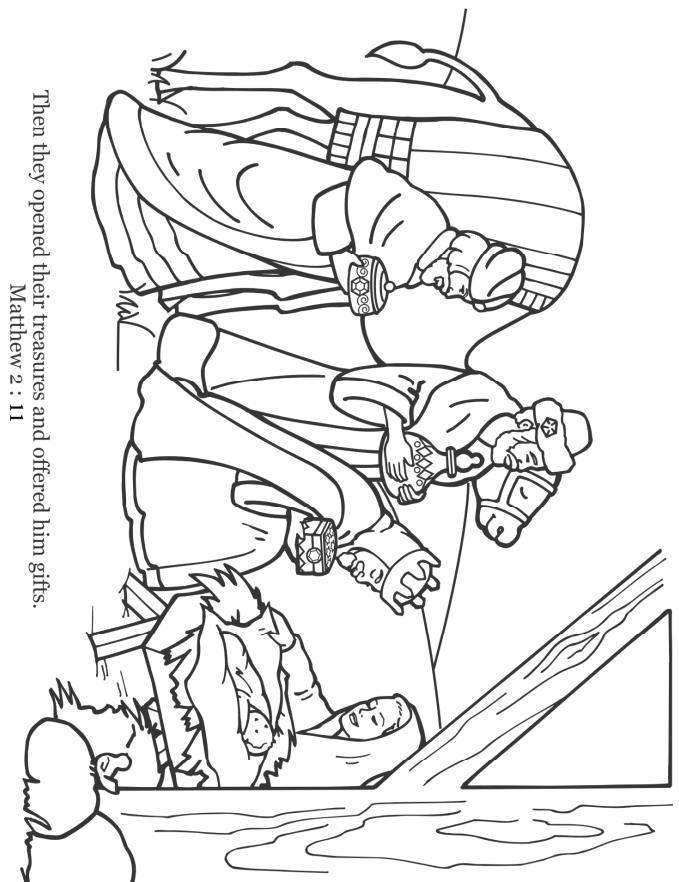
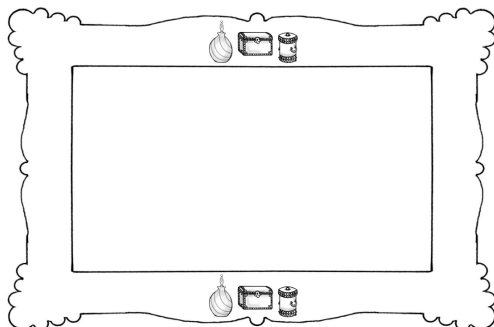
*Caravans of camels shall fill you,
 dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;
 All from Sheba shall come
 bearing gold and frankincense,
 and proclaiming the praises of the LORD. (Isaiah 60:6)*

Many different people heard the news about the Messiah. Some called him a new king. Wise men from the East went searching for him. They stopped in Jerusalem to ask where they could find the newborn king. They brought gifts, just like the ones Isaiah mentioned. Isaiah knew that when the Messiah came he would be for all people. Jesus came to give his life for everyone for all times.

If you had a chance to travel with the wise men, what gift would you bring? Think about the many gifts you have. Your gift might not be something you can carry or see. It might be something inside you that you can share with Jesus and with others, like your sense of humor. Draw a picture of your gift. Remember, you do share your gift with Jesus each time you share it with another person. Add the picture to your booklet.

The Christmas season ends today.

Keep your booklet with your Christmas decorations so you can look at it again next Advent.



PARISH INFORMATION



Mass Schedules:

Weekday: 8:30 am (*suspended*)

Sunday: 10:00 am (*public Mass suspended*)

Live-Stream on Facebook

Walk-Up Holy Communion
following Sunday Mass

Reconciliation: (*call for an appointment*)

Parish Center Office Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday:
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**THE PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
THE PARISH STAFF IS AVAILABLE BY PHONE AND EMAIL
DURING OFFICE HOURS.**

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