

**JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup> 2022**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**



## MASS SCHEDULE:

### SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday **4:30** p.m.

Sunday **9:30** a.m.

### Reconciliation

3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

on Saturdays

### WEEKDAY MASS:

Mon - Fri 12:05 p.m.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**12:30** p.m. Thursday to **12**

noon on Friday

### CONTACT US:

#### Website

[www.olphak.org](http://www.olphak.org)

### PARISH OFFICE

#### Office Hours:

Tuesday – Friday

**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**262-5542**

### OLPH Phone Number:

**262-4749**

Option 1 – Mass Schedule  
Option 2 – St. Vincent dePaul  
Option 3 – Fr. Patrick Brosamer  
Option 4 – Kathryn Dunagan

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#### COORDINATOR

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For verbal prayer requests,  
please call the parish office.

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church



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## Parish Mission Statement

We, the faith community, accept the call of God to participate in the mission of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Gospel and living the reign of God among us as disciples.

### Epiphany of the Lord

After the Easter Triduum, there is no more complete religious understanding and spiritual heritage we, as Catholics should have, than our beliefs focused around the Epiphany of the Lord. Whereas, the Paschal Triduum focuses on Jesus' Passion and Resurrection of His last days, the Epiphany focuses on the promise of the Messiah, His birth, His baptism and the beginning of His Ministry in Cana. Together, the Epiphany of the Lord and the Easter Triduum are the bedrock teaching of the followers of the "Anointed One", Jesus.

As with almost every aspect of liturgy and calendar, the Epiphany provides the foundation for many Catholic, Latin and Orthodox, beliefs. The Protestant faiths, especially the Anglican, Methodist and Lutheran, also include most of the Epiphany beliefs.

Since 1955, the Roman (Latin) Catholic Church has set and celebrated the Epiphany of the Lord on January 6th using the Gregorian Calendar. The Gregorian calendar was set by Pope Gregory XIII in October of 1582 and is the calendar used by most of the world today. It modified the Julian Calendar set up by Julius Caesar. The Orthodox Church uses the Julian Calendar for setting the dates for the Nativity of the Lord and the "Theophany" or Epiphany. This is why the Epiphany is often called Little Christmas. The Julian calendar places the Epiphany on the 19th or 20th of January.

As Roman Catholics, we understand that "Epiphany" is focusing on the revelation of God incarnate as Jesus Christ. The Epiphany brings together three things; the Arrival of the Magi with the three gifts for the newborns King, the Baptism of the Lord by Saint John the Baptist 30 years after the Nativity, and the Miracle at the Wedding in Cana- the first manifestation of the Lord's Divine power.

The Magi are the fulfillment of the revealed Messiah in the Old Testament by many Prophets and Patriarchs over thousands of years. After the Fall of Man in the Garden of Eden, Jesus will be and is the Savior of all the nations of the Earth. The Magi represent the people of the East whereas the Hebrew people represent the West.

The Baptism of the Lord represents the human need to be baptized for the forgiveness of Original Sin. As John the Baptist said to Jesus, "It is I that should be baptized by You." Jesus replied that for righteousness sake, let it be done as an example for all. After being baptized, God, the Holy Spirit, appears in the form of a dove and God, the Father, states, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." In His baptism, Jesus is revealed by God as the Messiah. This is one of only two Trinitarian Events in Holy Scripture that God- Father, Son and Holy Spirit- are stated as present. (The Transfiguration of the Lord is the other instance.)

And finally, the Epiphany draws us to the Wedding in Cana where it is revealed by "The Miracle of Changing Water into Wine" that Jesus embodies the presence of the Kingdom of God here and now. This first miracle ushers Jesus in as the divine provider of the Blood of Redemption and the transformer of the Wine of the Holy Eucharist.

The Epiphany provides a life-time of prayerful contemplation as we manifest our belief and actions for the Divine Baby on whom the STAR shone at Bethlehem. That Star's reflection now shines on us the Epiphany! OREMUS PRO INVICEM!

- Deacon Dave

## Sacraments

### RECONCILIATION:

3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. on Saturdays

### BAPTISM:

Infants / children – Parents Preparation class is required. Contact the parish office to register.

Adults – Contact the office to register for RCIA

### MARRIAGE:

Please contact the parish office for preparation of marriage, allowing at least 6 months.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION:

- Anointing of the sick (TBD)

- *NOTE: Because of privacy laws, parishioners need to notify us if going to the hospital.*

- Remember to request Anointing of the Sick before surgery – please call the parish: 262-4749

- *Homebound individuals wishing to receive the Eucharist need to contact the parish office.*

FUNERALS: Contact parish office immediately after the death.



Please Note: Submissions/articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted via email by Wednesday at noon to Kathryn at [akolphsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:akolphsecretary@gmail.com)

# Parish Calendar of Events

1/3/22 Monday	1/4/22 Tuesday	1/5/22 Wednesday	1/6/22 Thursday	1/7/22 Friday	1/8/22 Saturday	1/9/22 Sunday
<b>8:15 a.m.</b> Centering Prayer  <b>12:05 p.m.</b> Daily Mass	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer  <b>12:05 p.m.</b> Daily Mass	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer  <b>12:05 p.m.</b> Daily Mass  <b>6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</b> Faith Formation classes	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer  <b>12:05 p.m.</b> Daily Mass <i>Adoration follows until Noon on Friday</i>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer <i>Adoration continues</i>  <b>12:05 p.m.</b> Eucharistic Service	  <b>3.45 – 4.15 p.m.</b> Reconciliation  <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Mass	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> Mass  Pancake Breakfast
<b>SOCIAL DISTANCING is expected, as well as masks preferred during gatherings in church.</b>						

## AL-ANON

Location has changed for Al-Anon 12 Steppers  
*Soldotna Pentecostal Church*  
 35514 Kenai Spur Hwy, Soldotna, AK 99669  
 Meetings are at 7 p.m. every Sunday begins **January 9<sup>th</sup>** 2022.  
 For more Information call Tara at 907-259-4181.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 5<sup>th</sup>** – Faith Formation Classes resume (Circle of Grace)  
**January 9<sup>th</sup>** – Pancake breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus  
**January 15<sup>th</sup>** – Filipino dinner  
**January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Second Collection for the Archdiocesan Catholic Schools  
**January 30<sup>th</sup>** – Second Collection for St. Vincent DePaul

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast at O.L.P.H. on Sunday, **January 9<sup>th</sup>** after the 9:30 mass. Parishioners are invited to come and share time, smiles and conversation with our friends in faith and community. Contributions help fund various needs of our parishes. The smiles and time with friends are free. One could even say they're priceless!  
 The next monthly K of C meeting will be at O'Neill Hall on Tuesday, **January 11<sup>th</sup>** starting at **6:30 p.m.**, with the recitation of the Rosary, followed by a one hour business meeting.



## HOMELESS CONNECT

Project Homeless Connect is a one day event, set for **January 26<sup>th</sup>**, 2022, set up to provide food, fellowship and necessities to those experiencing homelessness in our area. Agencies and groups that provide needed services will be there to connect with those in need. OLA and OLPH are working together to gather necessities such as socks, underwear, diapers, and toiletries to those attending this event. This is an excellent opportunity for our parish community to live out the Gospel message of care for others. Please donate what you can and place it in the marked tote at church by **January 23<sup>rd</sup>**. If you have any questions on this project or would like to provide other support please contact Margaret Gilman at 907-398-9860.

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## LOST AND FOUND

We have a set of keys that were found in the church pews. If you are missing keys, please see Kathryn or either of the Fathers.

## ADORATION

We are looking to fill a few time slots for Adoration. We need someone to share the time of Thursday evening 9-10 p.m. with 2 others. We are also in need of a person to come in on Friday from 2-3 a.m. If you are looking for some uninterrupted quiet time with our Lord and would be able to fill either of these times, please call Pat Murray at 907-262-7801 or Jane Gabler at 907-262-9328.

Week of the January 2 <sup>ND</sup> 2022	
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Pat and Myrna <b>January 2<sup>nd</sup></b> Raylynn and Barb <b>January 9<sup>th</sup></b>