

Dear Students and Families,

Happy Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Feast of the Epiphany! I hope that you are well and having a great weekend. I have copied the link below to the Sunday, January 2, Feast of the Epiphany Mass Link with Father James O'Driscoll and homily address from Father Hickey. **Please remember** – We have canceled all classes Sunday, Monday and Tuesday this week out of an abundance of caution for our students and families' health.

Please share with your children: The 12 days of Christmas end with the Epiphany of the Lord, which is traditionally celebrated on January 6. In the United States, the Epiphany is celebrated on the closest Sunday to January 6th, so this year that is Sunday, January 2.

- The word Epiphany means “manifestation” or “showing forth.”
- An Epiphany is an event or action that makes something clear or evident.
- Today we celebrate The Three Kings (Wiseman or Magi) following the Star to Bethlehem, to the stable where Jesus was born.
- The names of the three kings are: Balthasar, Melchior, and Caspar
- They brought gifts to Baby Jesus of Gold because Jesus is king; Frankincense because Jesus is God; and Myrrh because Jesus would one day die upon the cross to save us from our sins.

The Epiphany should remind us of how special Jesus is and that we should spend our lives seeking Him. Jesus is the light for everyone and if we follow Him, we will never go astray.

Grade 9/10 Confirmation students, make sure to turn in your Mass Tickets to Father Hickey or Father O'Driscoll this weekend when you attend Mass.

Grade 2 and any of our older students preparing for First Communion, make sure that you have RSVP'd to us to let us know how many of you will be attending the required Teachable Moments Mass with Father Hickey on Sunday, January 9 at 10:00 AM so that we can reserve enough space in church.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Liz Davis

Mass Link for Sunday, 1/2:

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