

The Epiphany of the Lord | 7 January 2024



Mass

Sunday Vigil 5:30 PM Saturday

Sunday 7 & 9 AM

11 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)

1 & 5:30 PM

Weekdays 6 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)

7 AM, 12 Noon

First Friday 7:30 PM (Dominican Rite: Latin)
Saturday 6 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)

8 AM

Confession

Weekdays 11 AM – 12 PM

First Friday 7 – 7:30 PM

Saturday 4 – 5:30 PM

Sunday half hour before each Mass

Adoration

Weekdays 12:30 – 4 PM

Devotions

Rosary 11:30 AM Weekdays,

7:30 AM Saturday, 10:30 AM Sunday

Vespers 4:30 PM First Saturdays

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THIS WEEK AT HOLY ROSARY

Sunday, 7 January

The Epiphany of the Lord

Dominican Rite: The Holy Family

Coffee and Doughnuts after morning Masses

Monday, 8 January

The Baptism of the Lord
Dominican Rite: Feria after Epiphany
Aquinas Littles – 9:30 AM

Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, 9 January

Weekday

Dominican Rite: Feria after Epiphany

Rosary Makers - 10:00 AM

Wednesday, 10 January

Weekday

Dominican Rite: Feria after Epiphany

CCD - 4:30 PM

Youth Choir - 6:30 PM

Scouts - 7:00 PM

RCIA - 7:00 PM

Thursday, 11 January

Weekday

Dominican Rite: Feria after Epiphany
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – 10:00 AM
St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting – 7:00 PM

Friday, 12 January

Weekday

Dominican Rite: Feria after Epiphany Youth Adoration & Social – 7:00 PM

Saturday, 13 January

Saturday of the Blessed Virgin Mary Dominican Rite: The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, 14 January

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dominican Rite: Second Sunday after Epiphany
Coffee and Doughnuts after morning Masses
Monthly Potluck Brunch after 9:30 AM Mass

Youth Group - 10:00 AM

Parishioner Registration



Online Giving



Dear Holy Rosary Friends and Families,

Today we celebrate the miraculous intervention of God into the lives of three men, who are called Magi or Wise men, living east of Judea. A miraculous intervention that included being led by a star—the Gospels clearly indicating not a star acting according to the usual laws of nature, but going on before the Magi and leading them to the very dwelling where the infant Jesus lay.

And yet, the deeper miracle was not simply this external activity of a heavenly object, but more importantly an internal miracle of grace, stirring the Magi with divine faith, such that they knew clearly the One they were searching for was God come down to earth. And this the Magi showed when, finally reaching the place where Jesus lay, they bowed down in worship. Everything involved in this journey and search for the King of the Jews was motivated by the supernatural vision of faith, infused through a special intervention of God.

The Church recognizes that anything we do concretely to live out the Christian life (or as for the Magi to make the arduous journey to Bethlehem) is ultimately linked to the divine mind and will through the virtue of faith. Through it we are in harmony with God, what He wishes for us in this life, and the path He shows us to the life of heaven. Whenever our actions fall away from faith, we wander about like lost travelers. This link between supernatural faith and day to day activity is crucial if we are to live in harmony with God and reach our heavenly goal. Nor do we separate our personal belief from what God has revealed in Church teaching. Through faith we unite ourselves to the truths God has revealed, and through these truths we are made one with God Himself. The virtue of faith sets up for us a flow of divine wisdom and love that descends to us from the very Intellect and Will of God, through the doctrine of the Church, and into our own thoughts and actions.

I mentioned in a homily this past weekend the troubling impressions given in the recent statement from the Dicastery of Divine Faith, *Fiducia Supplicans*. One of the underlying themes of the document that is perhaps the most troubling of all is the opening it gives for priests, in giving blessings to gay couples, to break the all-important connection between faith, doctrine, and pastoral activity.

One of the points made in FS that justifies giving impromptu blessings to gay couples is in par. 25: *The Church, moreover, must shy away from resting its pastoral praxis on the fixed nature of certain doctrinal or disciplinary schemes....* What is meant by "doctrinal or disciplinary schemes" is not made clear. It seems to imply, however, that in certain situations priests can depart from a strict adherence to Church teaching in their pastoral practice. We have certainly seen this before

in priests advising couples who wish to use artificial contraceptives to pray and make up their own minds, despite the fact that Church moral teaching holds use of artificial contraceptives to be gravely sinful.

Now, again, the same disconnect between doctrine and pastoral practice is appearing with priests giving blessings to homosexual unions—blessings that ask God to send down His favor upon a couple embracing a form of life in complete opposition to Him. Only this time the disconnect has been promoted by the Dicastery of Divine Faith, with the Pope's approval. Clearly this is a document that will have to be corrected in future papal teaching. But in the meantime, be assured that the Fathers here at Holy Rosary and good priests throughout the Church will not be making it the basis of their pastoral practice, desiring to maintain in all things the life-giving and Spirit-filled union of teaching and apostolic activity.

- Fr. Paul Raftery, OP

TOWN HALL MEETINGS will be held in 2024 to gather additional input from the parish community regarding the future of Holy Rosary. Childcare available for the Sunday session – contact the office if you are interested.

- **Saturday, February 3, 2024**, 2pm 3:30pm
 - o Virtual Town Hall
- Sunday, February 4, 2024, 12:30pm 2pm
 - o In-Person Town Hall in Siena Hall.
- Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 5pm 6:30pm
 - o In Person Town Hall in Siena Hall.

YOUTH ADORATION AND SOCIAL Join us on Friday, January 12 for 7 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a pizza social in Siena Hall.

MONTHLY POTLUCK BRUNCH Everyone is invited to a monthly community potluck brunch after the 9 am Mass on Sunday, January 14 in Siena Hall, during normal coffee and donuts time. Families are asked to bring a main dish, fruit, side dish, or dessert. Our hope is to grow in community through food and fellowship.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Join Nocturnal Adoration Society members on January 20 from all over the Portland metro area in this time of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with the Rosary at 7:00 PM, then antiphonal prayer and readings until about 8:30 PM.

SWING DANCING January 21 | 7:00 PM

Hey everyone! We are getting the Catholic young adults out on the dance floor with monthly ballroom dancing! Everyone ages 18-35 are welcome to a great opportunity to meet other Catholics from different parishes in the area. We will have basic swing and waltz sessions every month so that everyone will have the opportunity to dance. Join us every third Sunday (some exceptions), 7:00-10:00 PM in Aquinas Hall. Please dress in semi-formal attire, \$3 cover charge at the door.

BLESSING OF THE HOME ON EPIPHANY

Instructions for Blessing the Home: Using the blessed chalk (available in the back of the Church or in the north vestibule) mark the lintel of your front door (or front porch step) as follows: 20 + C + M + B + 24 while saying: "The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and twenty-four years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen."

WITH GRATITUDE

Thank you to the families and the Young Adults who helped decorate our church on Christmas Eve. Many hands made very light work! The church is so beautiful! Thank you, again.

LITERARIANS BOOK CLUB

Join us at 7pm on Wednesday, January 17 in the Fireplace Room of Aquinas Hall to discuss *The Lonely Passion of Judith Hearne* by Brian Moore. For more information, contact wendymcknight@holyrosarypdx.org.

DRINKS WITH DOMINICANS

Join Fr. Brian Mullady, OP, at 7 PM on January 24 in the Fireplace Room of Aquinas Hall for a talk on *Epiphany*.

COMMUNITY CLOTHING SWAP

Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Homeschool Ministry is sponsoring a community clothing swap on Saturday, January 20, from 10 am to 12 pm in Aquinas Hall. All are invited to bring clothing they no longer need and take home clothing you can use. Please pre-sort clothing by size and gender. Questions? Email homeschool@holyrosarypdx.org.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The liturgical schedule remains the same.

HOLY ROSARY ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All men ages 10 and older are strongly encouraged to learn how to serve at the altar, assisting the priest as he offers Mass. Where possible, fathers of altar servers being trained are encouraged to do so. The dates for training are:

- Thursday, Feb 1 (7-9pm)
- Friday, Feb 2 (7-9pm), and
- Saturday Feb 3 (9am 5pm)

All those being trained must participate in all three days of training. The new altar servers will server their first Mass on Saturday, February 3, at the 5:30pm Mass. Email brandon@holyrosarypdx.org to register.

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