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## Capuchin Franciscan

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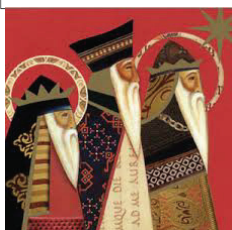
## Epiphany of the Lord



Una stella ha guidato i Magi fino a Betlemme perché là scoprissero “il re dei Giudei che è nato” e lo adorassero. Il Vangelo ci dice: “Entrati nella casa, videro il bambino con Maria sua madre, e prostratisi lo adorarono”. Il viaggio dall’Oriente, la ricerca, la stella apparsa ai Magi, la vista del Salvatore e la sua adorazione costituiscono le tappe che i popoli e gli individui dovevano percorrere nel loro andare incontro al Salvatore del mondo. La luce e il suo richiamo non sono cose passate, poiché ad esse si richiama la storia della fede di ognuno di noi. Perché potessero provare la gioia del vedere Cristo, dell’adorarlo e dell’offrirgli i loro doni, i Magi sono passati per situazioni in cui hanno dovuto sempre chiedere, sempre seguire il segno inviato loro da Dio. La fermezza, la costanza, soprattutto nella fede, è impossibile senza sacrifici, ma è proprio da qui che nasce la gioia indicibile della contemplazione di Dio che si rivela a noi, così come la gioia di dare o di darsi a Dio. “Al vedere la stella, essi provarono una grandissima gioia”.

A star guided the Wise Men to Bethlehem so that there they could discover "the king of the Jews who has been born" and worship him. The Gospel tells us: “When they entered the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and falling down they adored him”. The journey from the East, the search, the star that appeared to the Magi, the sight of the Savior and his adoration constitute the stages that peoples and individuals had to go through in their journey to meet the Savior of the world. The light and its call are not things of the past, since the history of faith of each of us refers to them. So that they could experience the joy of seeing Christ, of adoring him and of offering him their gifts, the Wise Men went through situations in which they always had to ask, always follow the sign sent to them by God. Firmness, constancy, especially in faith, is impossible without sacrifices, but it is precisely from here that the unspeakable joy of contemplating God who reveals himself to us is born, as well as the joy of giving or giving oneself to God. “When they saw the star, they felt a great joy”.

Una estrella guió a los Magos hasta Belén para que allí pudieran descubrir "al rey de los judíos que ha nacido" y adorarlo. Nos dice el Evangelio: “Cuando entraron en casa, vieron al niño con María su madre, y postrándose lo adoraron”. El viaje desde Oriente, la búsqueda, la estrella que se apareció a los Magos, la visión del Salvador y su adoración constituyen las etapas que los pueblos y las personas debieron atravesar en su camino para encontrarse con el Salvador del mundo. La luz y su llamada no son cosas del pasado, ya que a ellas se refiere la historia de fe de cada uno de nosotros. Para poder experimentar la alegría de ver a Cristo, de adorarlo y de ofrecerle sus dones, los Reyes Magos pasaron por situaciones en las que siempre debían pedir, seguir siempre la señal que Dios les enviaba: firmeza, constancia, especialmente en la fe, es imposible sin sacrificios, pero es precisamente de aquí que nace la alegría indescriptible de contemplar a Dios que se nos revela, así como la alegría de entregarse o entregarse a Dios. “Cuando vieron la estrella, sintieron una alegría muy grande”.



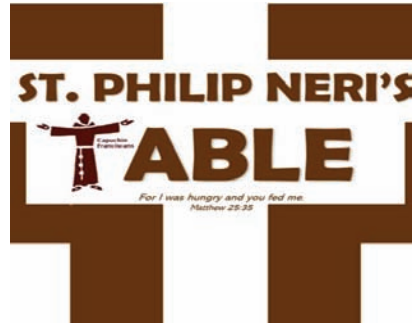
“Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus his gifts to us on this feast of Epiphany: friendship with God, friendship with others, the gift of reconciliation, and the gift of peace....Like the Magi offering their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, we offer what we have, from the heart, in response to what that Child has given to us - Himself.”

## Epiphany of the Lord, January 7, 2024

### ST. PHILIP NERI TABLE SALT and SUGAR DRIVE

'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.' Mt 25:34-35

The Table would greatly appreciate all donations of salt and sugar.  
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### Confirmation 2024 Preparation Info Package and Registration

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Grade 7 students,

From the parish website you can download the Confirmation 2024 the full Confirmation 2024 Preparation Registration package. Please be aware that any grade 7s and their families wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2024, must ensure that they enroll with the parish in time for this year's Confirmation preparation program. Students are required to attend the full eight (8)-week formation program to become ready to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

**Note: Information and Registration Meetings: (Please attend ONE ONLY):**

Wednesday, January 10 @ 7:00pm or Thursday, January 11 @ 7:00 (Hall #1)

Questions about the Confirmation 2024 Preparation Program?  
Contact the Confirmation Program Co-ordinator, Linda Maselli-Jackman at 416-241-3101 x 245



Our RCIA program needs sponsors to accompany our 14 new candidates. No experience is necessary, just a willingness to support others on their journey into the Catholic Church. Please see Deacon Damien after mass or leave your contact information at the office and he will contact you.

We pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and the religious life. As St. Francis of Assisi embraced the leper, may we embrace our vocation that God has given to us. As Capuchins, we serve the poor and humble Christ in the poor. If you or anyone you know is interested in a vocation to become a Capuchin brother, please contact the vocation director, Brother Michael Mascarenhas, OFM Cap. (226-238-4747) or michaelanthony.m@gmail.com

† Let us pray for the souls of those for whom we have recently held a funeral: Vito DeFrancesco and Bruno Cretaro.

### Mass Intentions / Intenciones de la Misa Intenzione della Messe

#### Monday, January 8

7:00am † Elena De Gasperis

8:00am † Giovanni Padovan

#### Tuesday, January 9

7:00 am †

8:00 am †

#### Wednesday, January 10

7:00 am † Nicola Martino

8:00 am

#### Thursday, January 11

7:00 am †

8:00 am †

#### Friday, January 12

7:00 am † Angela, Gregorio

8:00 am Thanksgiving for Cesar L. Meneses Jr. and Jin Kee

#### Saturday, January 13

7:00 am †

8:00 am †

5:00 pm † Maria Gerardi

7:00 pm † Intenciones de los feligreses

#### Sunday, January 14

8:00 am † Amilcare, Giuseppe

9:15 am † Nicola Critelli

10:30 am † Oreste Russo

12:00 pm † Arlindo Travelho

1:30 pm † Intenciones de los feligreses

8:00 pm All Parishioners



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