



*W*E HAVE SEEN

HIS STAR IN THE EAST

ADORE

AND HAVE COME

WITH GIFTS TO

ADORE THE *Lord.*



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2010

8:30 a.m. † Fr. Len Van Vlaendren
10:30 a.m. Our Lady Queen of Peace Parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2010

8:15 a.m. † Joan Kranjac

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2010

7:00 a.m. † Raymond & Rose Smukowski
8:15 a.m. † Otto Rocke

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2010

7:00 a.m. † Clarence Perlachzynski
8:15 a.m. † Robert Palkowski

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2010

7:00 a.m. † Dolores Palenski
8:15 a.m. † Dorothy Pietrzak

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2010

7:00 a.m. † Ray Ignatowski
8:15 a.m. † Dorothy Maciolek

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2010

3:00-3:45 p.m. † Confessions
4:00 p.m. † Harry Pietrzak

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2010

8:30 a.m. † Helen Wisniewski (5 years)
10:30 a.m. Our Lady Queen of Peace Parishioners



A special thank you to the following families who, for four weeks, lit the Advent Wreath Candles as we awaited the coming of Christ:

Greg & Gail Buchman; Al & Christine Gaeth; Kris & Jo Ann Wegner; Steven & Angela Miller; Vern & Dorothy Bowers; Tony & Geri Biskup; Jason, Angela, Jaycee, Alexandra, Alyssia & Ashley Hass; Jesse, Kathleen, Jaime & Karley Vega; Dwain, Mary, David & Elizabeth Monteilh.

When the Advent season for 2010 approaches perhaps your family will consider bringing forth the light during this holy time.

REFLECTIONS ON TODAY'S GOSPEL GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12

**The star which they observed at its rising
went ahead of them.**

Epiphany gets its name right here, in the story of the three astrologers from the East. They saw a sign in the heavens, correctly understood it, and chose to follow it, no matter the personal cost. These three are fearless pilgrims, walking in the tiny light of a star, traveling by faith. They are called wise because they search the heavens and their dreams for direction from a source they cannot name. And in their zeal, they find the One they are looking for.

The astrologers were the first Gentile followers of Jesus. Without the benefit of Scripture or the stories of salvation, without religion and its rituals, they made their way into the presence of Christ. Many have since followed in their winding footsteps, through many places and years, searching for the light that they do not entirely understand but are willing to risk everything for. Mainstream religion tends to scorn them, banish them to the New Age, ridicule their search. But some of them will find their way to the light, with or without our encouragement.

Questions for Reflection

Have you ever been "in Jerusalem," a place or time of vivid encounter with God? Describe the encounter. How can you return there?

What sudden or gradual epiphanies have changed the way you understand your religion? Did you embrace the changes, or did you/do you fight them?

Do you know anyone who is searching for the light of truth, even though the path they choose is foreign to you? How do you respond to these searchers?

Action Response

Locate the doorway to the new Jerusalem in your life - in those who gather in worship, in a place, or a circumstance - and work to keep that door wide open. Commit yourself to being open to the sacred, and give encouragement to those who are struggling to find their way to the light.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES - All parishioners should have received their contribution envelopes for January & February 2010. If you have not received your envelopes by January 10, 2010 please call Carol at 672-0313 ext. 10. If you have had a change of address or phone number please notify us so we can up date our records. If you have called the rectory to request envelopes and have not received them please notify Carol at the above number.

TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR BELOVED PARISH:

I wish to express to all of you a very sincere THANK YOU for all your Christmas cards, prayers and remembrances. I deeply appreciate all of you and remember all of you at each Mass and in daily prayer. May each of you realize the personal love of God in this New Year.

Fr. Greg

ARCHDIOCESE ASSESSMENTS

Another new year is upon us and unfortunately so is our assessment commitment to the Archdiocese. Our 2009-2010 Parish Assessment is \$36,466.00 and the school pupil assessment is \$3,421.00. Additionally, in mid-Spring, our property insurance will be due in the amount of \$19,738.00. These are budgeted items but with the decline in contributions, it will be hard to make payment.

Remember, that God has made each of us a steward and has given us unique abilities and talents. We are called to use these gifts and talents to serve God. As Christian stewards, we serve God out of love and gratitude knowing that it is not how much we have but what we do with what we have that is important. With every dollar you share, our faith is strengthened. Please be generous with your contributions. For those who did not contribute in the past, please let this new year be one of giving. For those who contribute on a regular basis, thank you.

from MARKET DAY

As we celebrate the spirit of the season, I wanted to take an opportunity to say thank you for your support of Our Lady Queen of Peace this year.

For nearly 35 years, Market Day has remained steadfast in its mission to offer a unique opportunity for customers to feed their family while giving back to their organization.

Your participation in Market Day at your organization has helped raise important funds for many worthwhile projects and for that we are truly grateful.

In recognition of the difference you continue to make in the lives of children in your community, Market Day has made a donation to Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization that supplies food to more than 25 million Americans each year.

Best wishes to you and your family for a bright and happy New Year.

Kristine Holtz
President & Chief Executive Officer
Market Day

Anyone who would like more information or if you are interested in placing an order from Market Day please contact the rectory (672-0313).

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Be sure to take time THIS year to enrich your Sacrament of Matrimony. Come to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and recharge your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 29-31 and April 16-18 in Milwaukee. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653. For a Weekend en Espanol March 5-7 contact Hugo & Gaby at 630-690-2094.

**The Dead Sea Scrolls & The Bible:
Ancient Artifacts, Timeless Treasures**

This exhibit is coming to the Milwaukee Public Museum beginning January 22. This exhibit brings together archaeological objects and manuscripts to tell a story 2,000 years in the making. Witness actual Dead Sea Scrolls and other early biblical artifacts to learn how transmission of these early writings has shaped the beliefs of Judaism and Christianity and influenced aspects of Islam.

The largest temporary exhibit ever produced by the Milwaukee Public Museum, Dead Sea Scrolls and the Bible explores the archaeological history of the Holy Land during the period the Scrolls were written, from the third century BCE through the first century CE. The exhibit also tracks the discovery of the first Scrolls and subsequent realization of their extraordinary significance.

- WHEN:** January 22, 2010 to June 6, 2010.
- WHERE:** Milwaukee Public Museum
- HOW MUCH:** Seniors, Teens 13-17, Students with ID
\$20 weekdays; \$24 weekends.
Adults: \$22 weekdays; \$26 weekends.
Ages 3-12 \$18 at all times.

Tickets available at the museum box office and 223-4676. More information is available at <http://www.mpm.edu/>.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2010

Mass intentions are now being accepted for the year 2010.

Mass stipends will be accepted M-F at the parish rectory between the hours of 11:00 am and 4:30 pm or by calling Carol at 672-0313 ext. 10. The mass stipend is \$10.00 per Mass as determined by the Archdiocese and the Wisconsin Province of Catholic Bishops.

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