

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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# SAINT GABRIEL

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Except Fridays in July & August 9-Noon

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEEKENDS

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday - Thursday 8 A.M. (No Daily Mass on Friday except on Holy Days)

#### HOLY DAYS

Vigil 6:00 P.M., The Day 8:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

BAPTISM: Sundays following 11AM Mass— Please call the Rectory to make arrangements

WEDDINGS: Arrangements to be made at least six months prior to the wedding

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Every Monday following 8:00 A.M. Mass

HOLY ROSARY: Sunday at 10:40 AM, before the 11A.M. Mass

### PASTORAL STAFF AND ORGANIZATIONS

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*The Epiphany of the Lord*

**SATURDAY Jan. 7, 2017**

**4:00 PM Paul Sheehan**  
(Maryanne, John, & Matthew Didelot)

**SUNDAY Jan. 8, 2017**

**he Epiphany of the Lord**  
**9:00 AM Joseph Imbrogno**  
(Luigi & Rose Cardillo)

**11:00AM Xavier F. Kowalewski**  
(His Daughter)

**MONDAY January 9, 2017**

The Baptism of the Lord

**8:00 AM The Sheehan Family**  
(Family)

**TUESDAY January 10, 2017**

**8:00AM Our Parish**

**WEDNESDAY January 11, 2017**

**8:00 AM The O'Connor Family**  
(Sheehan Family)

**THURSDAY January 12, 2017**

**8:00 AM Ceasar Mabanta**  
(Joe & Erlinda Viola)

**FRIDAY January 13, 2017**

**8:00 AM NO MASS**  
St. Hilary

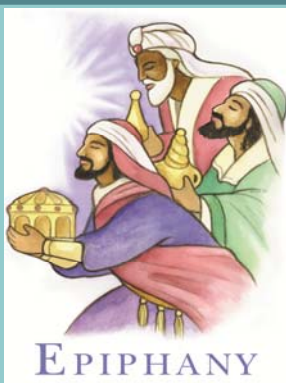
**SATURDAY January 14, 2017**

**4:00 PM Jerry McCarthy**  
(The Sheehans)

**SUNDAY January 15, 2017**

**9:00 AM Janet Gilberti**  
(Eucalia Manna)

**11:00 AM John O'Connor**  
(Srdanovic Family)



Dear Parishioners:

As we set out on this New Year and brace ourselves for the New England winter without the benefit of Christmas lights and decorations, our thoughts naturally turn to ... ?

Maybe you're tempted to say an unworthy word as you contemplate short days and snow removal? There is a way to channel that impulse—call upon the Lord! Call upon his Holy Name. But say it with Faith and hope, and as a prayer. The Lord is near to you and invites you to call upon Him for the grace and strength you need. Invite Him. Give Him permission. Call His name.

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you. Until now you have not asked anything in my name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete. I have told you this in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures but I will tell you clearly about the Father. On that day you will ask in my name, and I do not tell you that I will ask the Father for you. For the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have come to believe that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world. Now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father."*

~ *John 16:23b-28.*

It's as simple as that: pray "*Jesus*". Make his name your prayer, often and regularly. When you hear or say His Name, bow your head to honor it. Saint Clement of Alexandria explains how to pray at all times and make your life the continuation of the Sacred Liturgy we celebrate together on Sunday: *Prayer is, then, to speak more boldly, intimate converse with God. Even if we whisper softly and, not opening the lips, speak in silence, yet we cry inwardly. For God constantly hears our interior voice... Indeed, the genuinely spiritual person prays throughout his whole life, endeavoring by prayer to have fellowship with God. And he leaves behind him all that is of no service, as having now received the perfection of one who acts by love... His whole life is a sacred liturgy.*

The Holy Name is symbolized in the abbreviation IHS – the three letters which begin the name Jesus, spelt "IHESYΣ" in Greek capitals (also written JHS, IHC, or IHΣ). Shown in the accompanying illustration from the Church of the Gesu in Rome.



Give us, O Lord, as much a lasting fear as a lasting love of Your Holy Name, for You, who live and are King for ever and ever, never fail to govern those whom You have solidly established in Your love.

Love and Peace,  
Fr. Liam Quinlan

*We remember in our prayers,  
Donna Craig, who recently died.  
May she rest in the peace of Heaven.*

*Candle Memorials Week of January 7th*

*Vigil Lamp for Our Lady—Philip Annunziata  
By Dottie & Family*

**Just a Reminder!**

Whenever our schools are closed due to snowstorms  
St. Gabriel Church will also be closed.



**Religious Education**

**Classes resume on January 8, 2017.**  
**NO CLASSES on January 15th, classes**  
**resume again on January 22nd.**  
*The religious education schedule is*  
*available on our website.*  
*Questions? Please contact our*  
*DRE, Maryanne Didelot at*  
*saintgabrielccd@gmail.com*  
*or call 203-329-1978, or 203-329-2707.*

**Saint Gabriel Offering**

2016 Christmas Offering: \$17,273.  
 Thank you for supporting your parish!  
 Weekly Goal: \$5,000.  
 Weekly Offering 12/25/16: \$3,574.  
 Weekly Offering 1/1/17: \$4,559.  
 Happy New Year!!  
 Please consider On-Line Giving in 2017!!  
 To register for On-Line Giving go to our parish website at  
[www.saintgabrielchurch.org](http://www.saintgabrielchurch.org) or  
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1850>

**WE WELCOME:**

*Lillian Grace Hickey,*  
*daughter of Daniel & Ali Hickey,*  
*McKenna Ann Arnone,*  
*daughter of Gregory & Courtney Arnone,*  
*Ava Grace Frenzel,*  
*daughter of Josh & Danielle Fiori,*  
*Ryan Giarratano,*  
*son of Paul & Lindsay Giarratano.*

*They became members of the Catholic Church*  
*through the Sacrament of Baptism*  
*this past year.*  
*May God bless them and their families.*



Mary Somers, Michael Pratt,  
 Tamika Anderson and Mary Brundage

**PRAYER VINE UPDATE!**

We are updating and refreshing our Prayer Vine. Many people on the vine have thankfully, since recovered and or sadly, may have passed. If you would like us to continue to list and pray for your loved ones, please contact the St. Gabriel Rectory at 203-322-7426 or email us at [gabe914@optonline.net](mailto:gabe914@optonline.net) with the full (first and last) name of the person you would like us to pray for along with your name and phone number.

**Men's Night of Reflection at St. Gabriel**

on Wednesday, Jan 18. @ 7pm.  
 Men, please join us to hear  
 Fr. Joseph Gill present "How to Get More Out of the Mass" This Men's Night is brought to you by the Knights of Columbus Fr. Miller Council.  
 Contact Bill Nagle with any questions. M: 203-570-2593,  
 email: [billnagle@hotmail.com](mailto:billnagle@hotmail.com)

**TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**Take a Look Tuesday**

**January 31, 2017**

**8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.**

(Snow date: Thursday, February 2nd)

**Entrance Exam February 3, 2017**

**9:00 a.m.**

Contact Jon DeBenedictis, Admissions Director  
[jdebenedictis@trinitycatholic.org](mailto:jdebenedictis@trinitycatholic.org) or 203-322-3401 x302

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

The story of the Wise Men bringing gifts to Jesus, the newborn King, is a great one, isn't it? They had a great big star in the sky to lead the way. I am no Boy Scout, so I am not sure how well I would do following a star like that. But the important point here is that God led them to the manger. The manger was a place that unless God specifically showed you this was where the Christ Child was born you wouldn't have believed it. You would have passed on by.

In our lives, there are no big stars in the sky leading us where we need to go. It isn't so easy sometimes discerning where God is leading us. We may seek to use our gifts wisely, but in what manner and to what end is not always clear.

This is where prayer can make a huge difference. If we seek to cultivate a prayer life where we are mindful of the presence of God throughout our day, then the call is easier to discern. We can help the process by intentionally offering to God in the morning the entirety of the day to come: all our actions, all our time, and all our decisions. In the evening, we can examine the past hours of the day and reflect on when we responded well to Christ's call and when we fell short. Then we resolve to begin again tomorrow, inviting Christ to be with us every step of the way. God may not offer a star in the sky to lead us, but if we invite him on our journey each day, the path will be much clearer.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS