JANUARY 8, 2023 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

READINGS *Isaiah* 60: 1-6, *Psalm* 72, *Ephesians* 3: 2-3a, 5-6, *Matthew* 2: 1-12

For *wee*kend masses at the St. Regis Mission Church

ALL COVID-19 and FLU MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS APPLY <u>ESPECIALLY MASKS</u> AND SOCIAL DISTANCING.

SATURDAY JANUARY 7, 2023 4:00 PM

<u>Offered for</u>: Mary King, Memorial Birthday by the St. Regis family <u>Sacristan:</u> Caroline Peters <u>Hospitality</u>: Nicky King <u>Eucharistic Minister:</u> Caroline Peters <u>Reader</u>: Connie Thompson

SUNDAY JANUARY 8, 2023 10:00 AM EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Offered for: Benny Roundpoint, 27-year Memorial Anniversary, by the family

Sacristan: Mildred White <u>Hospitality</u>: Eddy Lazore <u>Eucharistic Minister</u>: Lisa Tarbell, **Reader:** Delinda Comins

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2023 12:10 PM

<u>Offered for:</u> Ann Lazore from the funeral collection

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2023 6:00 PM Offered for: Betty Kelly from the funeral collection

THURSDAY JANUARY 12, 2023 10:00 AM TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE

Offered for: Marita Skidders by the St. Regis Family

THURSDAY JANUARY 12, 2023 12:10 PM Offered for: Wallace Roundpoint Memorial Anniversary. by the St. Regis family

FRIDAY JANUARY 13, 2023 12:10 PM Offered for: - Tanner Jock from the funeral collection

<u>SATURDAY JANUARY 14, 2023 4:00 PM</u> <u>Offered for</u>: Lena Day, Memorial Birthday by the St. Regis family <u>Sacristan:</u> Caroline Peters <u>Hospitality</u>: Nicky King <u>Eucharistic Minister:</u> Caroline Peters <u>Reader</u>: Lucy Papineau

SUNDAY JANUARY 15, 2023 10:00 AM

<u>Offered for</u>: Francis Cree from the funeral collection <u>Sacristan</u>: Mildred White <u>Hospitality</u>: Eddy Lazore <u>Eucharistic Minister</u>: Lisa Tarbell, Reader: Rosemary Bonaparte

COLLECTIONS UPDATE DEC 24-25, 2022 and DEC 31, 2022-JAN 1, 2023 CDN \$ 1,026.50 and USD \$ 878.70. NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!

JANUARY 8, 2023 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



EPIPHANY Is a meaningful time for many Christians. One of the very first feast days of the year, Epiphany comes on the heels of Christmas celebrations and is a time of joy and faith.

EPIPHANY, also called Theophany, is a celebration of God manifesting as the baby Jesus and revealing Himself to the world. The feast day also marks the day the Magi, or the three kings, visited the baby Jesus in Bethlehem. Jesus' baptism is also celebrated during Epiphany. The feast day is also sometimes known as Three Kings Day.

DURING EPIPHANY, people celebrate the Magi (also known as the three kings or the three wise men) following a star to visit baby Jesus. Experts believe the Magi were astronomers who paid close attention to the stars and planets above. The star is called The Star of Bethlehem. It has been visible several times since Jesus' birth, though it's rare.



DEATH OF POPE BENEDICT

XVI: We join with the church throughout the world, Pope Francis, and all in the Catholic Church, in mourning the death of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI.

Pope Benedict was one of the greatest theologians of his age – committed to the faith of

the Church and stalwart in its defence. In all things, in his writing and his preaching, he looked to Jesus Christ, the image of the invisible God. It was abundantly clear that Christ was the root of his thought and the basis of his prayer.

In his retirement in Rome he led a life of prayer and now he has gone to the eternal rest granted by the Father. In his life and ministry Pope Benedict strove to direct people to Christ. May he now rest in Christ's peace, and rise in glory with all the Saints.

Kateri Tekakwitha, Lily of the Mohawk, was among the seven saints canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican on October 21, 2012, as thousands of spectators from around the globe gathered to witness the historic event. In his homily, Benedict praised each of the seven new saints as examples for the entire church.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in Mohawk)

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE - E THO E THO NI A WEN.

MERRY CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS IS NOT ONE DAY LONG

For those who thought that Christmas was over, **EPIPHANY**, celebrated on January 6, marks the final celebratory day of the Christian holiday season!

As Catholics we recognize that December 25th was but the start of the Christmas season. Christmas continues for another 11 days and finally ends on the holy feast of Epiphany, and the Christmas season itself extends beyond that. And there are many great feasts in the meantime.

December 26th is the second day of Christmas and the feast of St Stephen protomartyr.

December 27th is the third day of Christmas and feast of St John the Evangelist.

December 28th is the feast of the Holy Innocents.

December 29th is the feast of St Thomas Becket of Canterbury. **December 31st** is the Pope St Sylvester I and New Years Eve. **January 1st** is the Octave of Christmas, the feast of Mary Mother of God and the feast of the Circumcision.

January 5th is the twelfth and final day of the Christmas feast. **January 6th** is the feast of Epiphany. Though some dioceses may celebrate this on a different date.

And there are also the feasts of the Holy Family, the Holy Name of Jesus, and the Baptism of Christ and many other saint's feasts besides.

The FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD concludes the

celebration of the Christmas season. "The origin and foundation of Christian baptism is Jesus. Before starting his public ministry, Jesus submitted himself to the baptism given by John the Baptist. The waters did not purify him; he cleansed the waters. 'He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake ... to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water' (St. Gregory Nazianzen, Liturgy of the Hours, I, 634). Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will. Jesus did not need to be baptized because he was totally faithful to the will of his Father and free from sin. However, he wanted to show his solidarity with human beings in order to reconcile them to the Father. By commanding his disciples to baptize all nations, he established the means by which people would die to sin - original and actual - and begin to live a new life with God." The significance of Jesus' baptism is his overall mission on earth. "Today is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, the event that began Jesus' public ministry. It was the start of his career as teacher and healer and redeemer ---his true calling in life. In order to respond to this calling, Jesus left his career in carpentry to pursue his true vocation in life: to announce and establish the Kingdom of God on earth, as it is in heaven.

LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING.

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE and IAHKIHIHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arguette, Dave Back, Peter Back, Hazel Bero, Marie Casey, Laurie Conners, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, Julia David, William Francis, Carol Garrow, Martha George, Dave Hall, Bennette Herne Grant, Bernadine Herne, Hilda Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Rose Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Doreen King, Matthew Lamesse, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Vanessa Lavare, Dr. Richard Loder, Viola Marshall, Jim "McDuck" McDonald, Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Phillips, Helen Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Brenna Roundpoint, Greg Snyder, Angie Sunday, Jimmy Sunday, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson, Donald Thompson, Tim Thompson, Allan White and Gary White. O Lord, Console the grieving families of Deborah J. Conners. Lewis "Porky" Garrow, Daylon Phillip Michael Francis-Vaillieres, Marion "Marita" Francis, Delores M. Swamp, Lisa Ward and Carol A. Smoke may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.



BAPTISM OF THE LORD "The first sacrament one can receive in the Church, Baptism, defines our relationship with Christ. In it, we are reborn as part of his Mystical Body and gifted with the grace of God's love. Baptism lays the foundation for every other sacrament we are to receive and inextricably links us with the Trinity."

NIAWEN:KOWA to the St. Regis Mission Religious Education Program, RJ Dolly McDonald, for the gift to everyone of the Matthew Kelly book <u>HOLY MOMENTS</u>. "Each Holy Moment is a mini-transfiguration. Holy Moments allow us to see what is possible, even if only for a fleeting moment. Each Holy Moment reveals who you are capable of being, and who you are capable of being is amazing." Some moments are holy, some moments are unholy, and we get to decide. Set off a domino effect of goodness today with your Holy Moments. Author: Matthew Kelly



NIAWAN:KOWA to the St. Regis Mission Altar Rosary Society, Hospitality Ministry and Religious Education/Faith Formation program for hosting the beautiful Christmas and Ordination Anniversary party for Fr. Jerome Pastores, lay leaders and the Altar Rosary Society membership on December 30, 2022. God Bless! **NEW YEAR'S IS THE FIRST BLANK PAGE OF A 365 PAGE BOOK, 2023**. What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God.