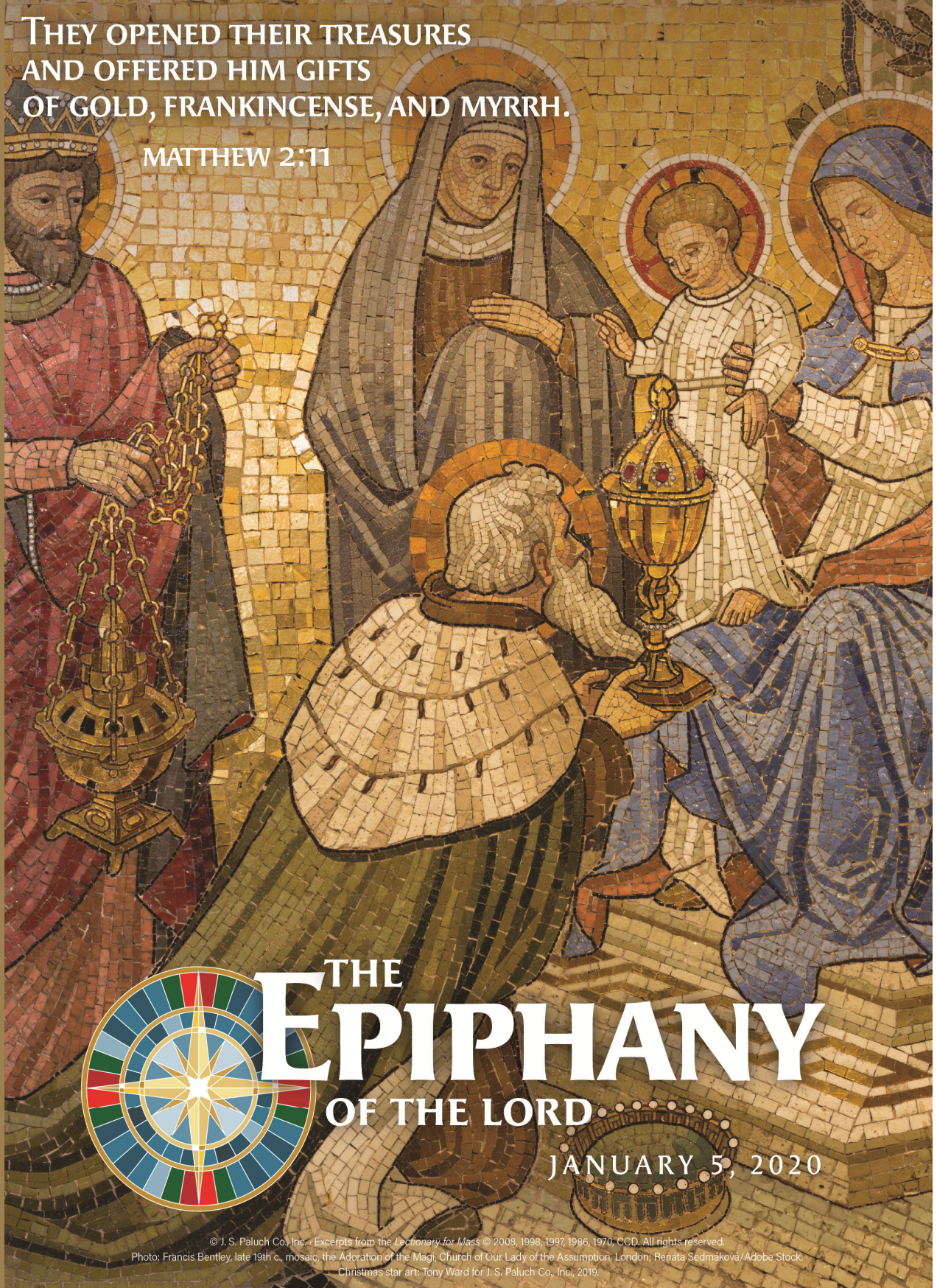


The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

Norridge, IL

THEY OPENED THEIR TREASURES
AND OFFERED HIM GIFTS
OF GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, AND MYRRH.

MATTHEW 2:11



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 5, 2020

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Epiphany Blessing for the Home

All: Make the Sign of the Cross.

Head of Household: *Peace be to this house and to all who dwell here, in the name of the Lord.*



All: *Blessed be God forever.*

Using chalk, write over a doorpost at an entrance to your house:

20 + C + M + B + 20

(to symbolize the Magi Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar,
and the year 2020)

All: *God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of the Light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Zumba is exercise in disguise!



ZUMBA

Our long-time parishioner, Jen Adams, is a Zumba Instructor and is offering a class to our community starting Wednesday, January 8th. Give Zumba a try for a total

workout, combining all elements of fitness – dance cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome! Come for the workout --stay for the fun and community!

Come and dance every Wednesday evening starting on January 8th from 6:45 PM - 7:45 PM in the parish hall! Classes are free for all of January! Contact Jen with any questions, jennifer.adams17@yahoo.com.



**FCFF Liturgy &
Formation Session
Sunday
January 12th**

Silent Retreat

All men are invited to our annual retreat at the Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington, IL February 21st-23rd. Based on the Jesuit tradition of St. Ignatius Loyola, this retreat offers an opportunity to find a more profound and personal relationship with God in a peaceful and quiet countryside setting.



This year's retreat master is Fr. David Shields, SJ. who in the past spent 20 years in ministry to the Ojala Sioux on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and currently is the Director of Spiritual Programs at Casa Romero in Milwaukee. Father's theme for the weekend is "Table Talk: Listening to Jesus' Message as we share Meals with Him" Meals, snacks, and overnight accommodations are provided as the Jesuits endeavor to make your brief stay comfortable and restful. Arrive 3:00-6:00 PM Friday and depart 12:00-1:00 PM Sunday. For more information, suggested donation, car-pooling, contact Ralph Cantal at 708.362.0631.

Save the Date:

Friday, January 10, 2020

All women are invited to our post-holiday luncheon at Cucina Biagio's on Lawrence Ave. We will be ordering from the menu and getting individual checks. We will

need to get a head count so please call Marge Flesch at 708.456.3689 or Dorothy Ellsworth at 708.456.6579 if you plan to attend.

This is a great opportunity after a busy holiday to relax and socialize with friends.

*Women's
Club* 

thank you

For visiting our Homebound

Thank you to all the parishioners who visited and delivered plants, cards, and good wishes to our parishioners who are homebound or in health care facilities.

You took time out of your busy schedules to bring our prayers to these faith-filled parishioners.

May God continue to bless you for living his gospel.



Pivotal Players Video Series Resumes

Divine Savior Church will continue presenting Bishop Robert Barron's video series "Pivotal Players" on January 15. These videos explore the lives of people who had a pivotal role in shaping the life of the Church and in changing the course of Western Civilization.

The hour-long videos and short discussions will be presented in the Divine Savior Parish Hall at 10:00 AM and again at 7:00 PM on the following schedule:

January 15	St. Catherine of Siena
February 19	St. John Henry Newman
April 1	GK Chesterton (author of the Father Brown stories)
May 13	Michaelangelo (artist)

Join us as we explore the lives of these fascinating people. Admission is free. We're looking forward to seeing you!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please remember Anita Aiello, Lillian Baureis, Maria Bordignon, Jerry Bruss, Peggy A. Carolan, Marilee Cass, Greg Cazolas, Tom Chernich, Biagio Cirrincione, Marge Clemens, Al Corrado, Dawn Crimmins, Josephine Davi, Rosemary DiBiase, MaryAnn Entrup, Geraldine Fergus, Amalia Gaglianese, John Gaydos, MaryAnn Gaydos, Lucille Gibula, Lola Golonka, Rosemary Hauck, Gina Hess, Renee Holm, Sylvia Johnnic, Ed Kelly, Virgil Kolb, Jackie Kukielka, Gloria Lesniak, Erica Lursky, Maria Makos, Mary Ann Maro, Berniece Michna, Ernest Morris, William Murray, Edward Pasdiora, James Pastorino, Mary Ann Romito, Lillian Ross, Caterina Savarino, Alicia Schmitz, Matt Schoenbach, Maria Scimeca, Dominic Senese, Mickey Stefanski, Steve Strzelecki, Martha Wrobel, and all parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers.

Please pray as well for all who have died. May they now rest in eternal peace.

When a Family Member is Hospitalized

Please notify the parish office, 708.456.9000, when a family member is hospitalized. Because of HIPPA (privacy) laws, AMITA Health Resurrection Medical Center and other hospitals are no longer permitted to notify us when parishioners are admitted to the hospital.

Communion for the homebound

If you know of any member of Divine Savior Church who is homebound or temporarily homebound and would like a Minister of Care to bring them the Eucharist please let us know. Just call the Parish Office, 708.456.9000, and ask for Frank.



Remember Divine Savior in your will!

Giving a legacy to your church is an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God for all that you have been given and enjoyed during your life. It is also a means of ensuring that your past can become part of the future of your church's life, through mission and ministry to all God's people.

Next weekend, January 11/12 the targeted items for our weekly collection for the needy will be: CANNED VEGETABLES, PASTA & TOMATO PRODUCTS, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY. Your donations may be left in the vestibule of the church.

Weekly Offering

December 21/22	Envelopes used: 216
Cash/Checks in Envelopes	= \$ 3,822.00
Loose cash	= \$ 815.00
Give Central	= \$ 672.00
Collection Total	= \$ 5,309.00

As members of this faith community, we are invited to become good stewards of what God has entrusted to us. God Bless all those whose support has enabled Divine Savior Church to continue its mission.

Please remember to mark the amount of your contribution on your envelope each week. This will ensure that your contributions are recorded accurately.

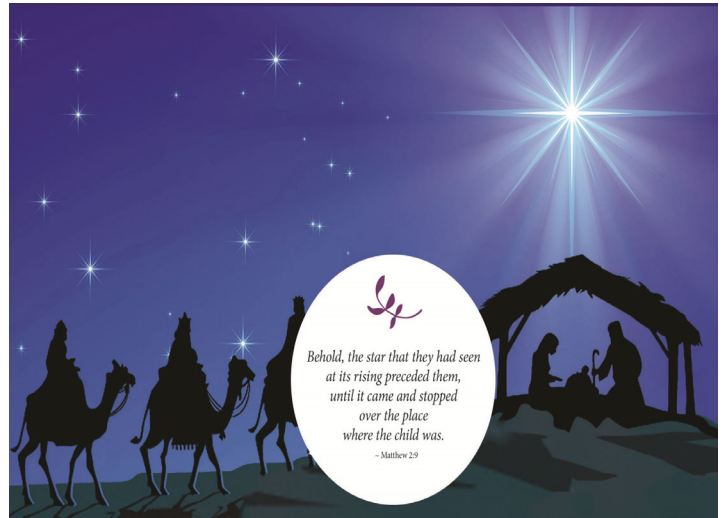
Due to an early publishing deadline, the collection for the weekend of December 28/29 will be reported in next week's bulletin.

Light of the World

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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The Star of Bethlehem

Almost every year at Christmastime, you can find a newspaper article or TV documentary about the star of Bethlehem. Astronomers give various theories about whether the magi saw a supernova, or a comet, or a conjunction of two or more planets. But for us, the star has a deeper meaning.

In Matthew's Gospel, light is used as a symbol of the good news of Jesus coming into the world. That's why verse 9 of the Gospel has the image of the star preceding the wise men and stopping over the house where Jesus was. By following the star, they become followers of Christ. So what do the magi show us about following Jesus? First, they take the initiative. They saw the star, figured out what it meant, and made their journey. As followers of Jesus, we can look for what needs to be done (in our family, parish, or community) and do it.

Second, they expressed their faith in Jesus by the gifts they brought: gold—a gift for a king, who is worthy to be followed; frankincense—Jesus is worthy to be worshiped as Son of God; and myrrh—Jesus becomes king by dying for us all. We can express our faith in many ways. We can volunteer to help the poor, the elderly, or the disabled. We can teach our children how to pray and tell them about all that God has done for us.

Third, they were not afraid to take risks for Jesus. How often do we take risks for the Lord, by openly speaking about our faith, or giving God credit for the good that we do? Let the star of Bethlehem remind us that Jesus is the star of our lives.

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Bearing Gifts

The magi brought gifts to the baby Jesus. What gifts do you bring to the Lord? You might have the gift of patience or understanding and bring this gift in your interactions with others. You might have a talent for bringing new ideas and creative insights into situations at home, work, parish, or your city. You might have a gift for helping people to work together for a great cause or purpose. All of these gifts have been given to you by God, to be used for God's purposes, for God's greater glory. All of these are glimpses of God's grace, and like Saint Paul, you are called to be a good steward of them, as a sign of Christ's life within you. You bring your gifts to the Lord by using them well, sharing them generously and responsibly in caring for others and for all of creation.

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DRAWING 8PM EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT AT

BIJE'S Pizza, Bar, & Grill

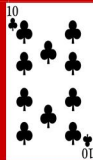
7455 W. IRVING PARK RD., CHICAGO

\$5 Tickets (cash only)

Tickets can be purchased at Bijé's
or Divine Savior

54 Card Deck including 2 Jokers

Additional Raffle Prize
if you pick a Joker.If your ticket is drawn and you are
present at Bijé's and the Queen of
Hearts is not revealed you will receive a
consolation prize.If the Queen of Hearts is revealed the
ticket holder receives 50% of the potNumbers not available
17, 22, 23, 28, 33, 51Pot as of
12/23/2019
\$4,285.00**Queen of Hearts
50/50 Raffle**Board status as
of 12/19/2019

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	29	30	31	32		34	35	36
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46	47	48	49	50		52	53	54



Prayers matter!
Come and join the
Intercessory Prayer
Group on the first
and third Tuesdays of
every month in the

Rectory basement from 6:30—8:00 PM. There, we give
praise and thanks, share the scripture, recite the
rosary, and share teachings and songs, giving witness
to the goodness of our Lord. People of any age are
welcome. If you have any questions, please contact
Tessie at 708.452.1187.

For those who cannot join us in person, we would like
to pray for you. Please place your intentions in the box
near the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe in the back
of the church.

*"For where two or three are gathered
together in my name, there am I in
the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20)*

Scholarship Opportunity

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW), offers a \$1000 scholarship renewable for 4 years to the deserving young Catholic woman who can successfully articulate what it means to be a Catholic woman in the world today. The applicant should currently be a high school senior. She does not have to attend a Catholic High School, nor does she have to select a Catholic college or university. The rules/criteria and application for scholarship are available for download on the ACCW website: accw.archchicago.org. You may also access our website via the Archdiocesan website, www.archchicago.org. If you use this website then select Office and Ministries and click on Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, then the tab for Scholarship.

The deadline for submission of completed application and all required letters of recommendation is March 20, 2020. You may call the ACCW office for any additional questions or information 312-534-8330/25.

Mass intentions

Monday, January 6, 2020

7:30 AM— Divine Savior Parishioners

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

7:30 AM— Lawrence Porada

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

7:30 AM— Harriet Pavis
Joseph Porada
Lawrence Porada

Thursday, January 9, 2020

7:30 AM— Fr. Fred Tomzik

Friday, January 10, 2020

7:30 AM— Divine Savior Parishioners

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Vigil: Baptism of the Lord

4:00 PM— Juanita Chiu
Antonio DiBrita
Domenico Rossi

Sunday, January 12, 2020

Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM— Rose Ryan
10:30 AM— Harry & Rose Arquilla
Betty Glomski
Frances Nimietz

Readings for the week

Monday: 1 John 3:22—4:6
Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10
Mark 6:34-44

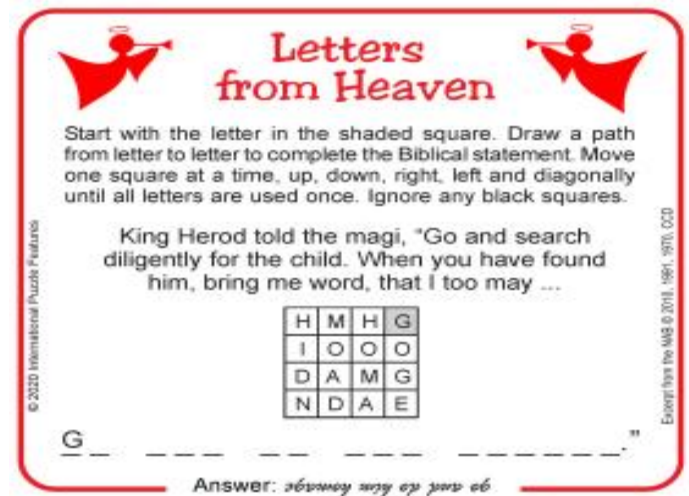
Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18
Mark 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4
Luke 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 John 5:5-13
Luke 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 John 5:14-21
John 3:22-30

Sunday: Baptism of the Lord
Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
Matthew 3:13-17



Liturgical Ministers Schedule for January 11/12

	<i>Presider</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>		<i>Servers</i>
4:00 PM	Fr. Beath	J. Klasta	M. Alto J. Brown R. Cantal	M. Maro D. Sulimowski	M. Maro
8:00 AM	Fr. Beath	TBD	D. Duszynski C. Mikucki H. Moore	I. Petryszak K. Petryszak	I. Depakakibo F. Malo M. Petryszak
10:30 AM	TBD	C. Giacalone	P. Draniczarek O. Giacalone L. Juridico	M. Stancy M. Walsh	

Mission Statement of The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

We are a faith community that seeks the fullest relationship with Jesus, by our communion with each other, through the Eucharist, Sacraments, Prayer, and Service.

Pastoral Staff

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 Ms. Mary E. Coban
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This Week

Monday — FCFF Catechist Meeting
 7:00 PM — Parish Hall
 Tuesday — Morris Drop-In
 8:00 AM — Parish Hall
 — Bible Discussion
 11:00 AM — Rectory
 — Intercessory Prayer Group
 6:30 PM — Rectory
 Wednesday — Zumba
 6:45-7:45PM—Parish Hall
 Friday — Women's Club Post Holiday Luncheon
 11:30 AM—Cuciana Biagio's
 Sunday — FCFF Mass & Formation Session
 8:00 AM—10:30 AM

WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 7:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM. Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

One Sunday a Month. Please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the rectory.

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