

## The Epiphany of The Lord



**They prostrated themselves and did Him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.**

Gospel of St. Matthew 2:11-12

### Epiphany

The word epiphany is not easily defined. However, most of us understand epiphany to mean "manifestation" and/or "appearance." Theologically, epiphany means that God definitively manifests Himself in the Man Jesus. In Jesus' words and works, God appears and acts in human history. Jesus is the epiphany of God. But, as we know, not everyone recognized God in Jesus and missed the salvation that Jesus made available. Recognition is at the heart of the Gospel. In the infancy stories, there are those who do recognize Jesus: Simeon and Anna, the Shepherds, and the Magi, for instance. There are also those who do not recognize him and attempt to get rid of Him: such as the innkeeper and King Herod. During His public ministry, we see the same drama being played out: those who recognize and embrace the epiphany of God in Christ, and those who reject it.

In our lives, too, that drama is being played out. One of the things that make it difficult for us to "see" Jesus in our world and in the events of our lives is that He is often present in ways that we don't expect. We know He is present in the sacraments but we often do not look for Him in our weaknesses and sinfulness. We know His epiphany is often associated with Church and/or prayer or in loving actions; but we miss Him when we think He is not available to us in our darkness, confusion and fearfulness.

**Lord, every nation on earth will adore You.**

Psalm 72

### Christmas Gratitude from the Priests & Staff

**The Priests and Staff thank the many people who offered cards and kindnesses over the holiday season. Please know that your needs and intentions are remembered in our prayers and Masses. We want to extend our very best wishes for the New Year. We wish you an**



**Saturday, January 1, 2011**

**Mary, Mother of God**

10:00AM Mass *Celebrated in St. Bede Chapel*

4:00PM Wedding Matthew Stengel / Megan Mayer

**Sunday, January 2**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**



Catholic Forum will NOT meet today after 10:00 AM Mass.

10:00AM Mass *In Memory of Rolande Jaumard*

11:30AM Mass *Intentions of Parishioners and Benefactors*

5:00PM Mass *Intentions of the SS AJ Community*

No 10:00PM Mass

**Monday, January 3**

7:30AM & 12:05PM Mass Monday – Friday in St. Bede Chapel

1:00PM Mass celebrated at Drexel Chapel Monday - Thursday

**Tuesday, January 4**

12:05PM Mass *Deceased Members of Kanlyamkunnel and*

*Pettenaden Families*

**Friday, January 7**

7:30 AM Mass

12:05 PM Mass *Members of SS AJ Perpetual Memorial Society*

**Saturday, January 8**

9:00AM Mass *In Memory of Albert Nicoletti*



### Weekend Schedules for Epiphany and The Baptism

- Epiphany of The Lord – No Vigil Mass and no 10:00 pm Mass  
Masses on Sunday, January 2: 10 am, 11:30 am and 5 pm
- Baptism of The Lord – No Vigil Mass and no 10:00 pm Mass  
Masses on Sunday, January 9: 10 am, 11:30 am and 5 pm

### Resumption of Regular Weekend Schedule

Beginning January 15, SS AJ will resume the regular weekend schedule. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in Church, followed by the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm. On Sunday, January 16, there will be four Masses in Church: 10:00 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm.

### SS AJ 2011 Calendars

The 2011 calendars are available in the back of Church and in The Center. We are grateful to the New Deck Tavern, 3408 Sansom Street, for once again sponsoring our calendars.

### Parking Available for Weekend Masses

Parking is available for our Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses. Park in the Rectory parking lot, next to the Rectory, the little parking lot, off 38<sup>th</sup> St. near Sansom St., or the big parking lot behind The Center – enter from the 3700 block of Sansom St.

All Sunday Masses on the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord are in SS AJ Church.

## Newman Notes

**Penn Newman Center** 3720 Chestnut Street  
[www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu)

Mr. Jeff Klein, Assistant Director, Penn Newman

**Drexel Newman Ministry** 30 South 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
[www.drexelnewman.org](http://www.drexelnewman.org)

### Daily Mass

Penn Newman Center 7:30 am, 12:05pm Mon-Fri  
St. Bede Chapel – Upper Level

Drexel Chapel 1:00 pm Mass Monday-Thursday  
St. Katharine Drexel Chapel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### March for Life

If you are a student from an area university and are interested in attending a bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC, on Monday, January 24, please contact Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

### Coat Drive

Baby, it's cold outside... The Penn Newman Center is holding a coat drive to benefit students at Lea Elementary School. Please donate new or gently used coats for children grades K-8 by January 14, 2011. All donations can be brought to the Newman Center at 3720 Chestnut Street. For more information or questions, contact Louisa Jacquinto at [ljacquinto@gmail.com](mailto:ljacquinto@gmail.com).

### Tutor at the IHM Center for Literacy!

Interested in helping recent immigrants learn English? If so, then volunteering at the IHM Center for Literacy may be perfect for you. Sister Fran Small, IHM, is looking for some friends who are willing to help out in the "language lab." Your primary job will be to help the learners progress in Rosetta Stone, which the teachers use to supplement the classroom work. If you are interested in learning more – no obligation – contact Eric Banecker at [ejb@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:ejb@sas.upenn.edu).

### Circle of St. Bede

The Circle of St. Bede invites interested faculty and professionals to join us on Tuesdays 8:10-8:50 am in the upper level of Penn Newman. If interested, please contact Dr. Peter Dodson: [dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu](mailto:dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu).

### Morning Scripture Study

We gather at 8:00 am on Wednesdays in the upper level of Penn Newman. New members are warmly welcomed. Contact Charlotte Ethier at [ethiercc@aol.com](mailto:ethiercc@aol.com).

### Stand Up for Life

Every 2nd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am a pro-life group will celebrate Mass at the Penn Newman Center. Following Mass, they will pray the Rosary in procession to Penn Family Care at 39th and Chestnut.

## PENN NEWMAN: ALL STUDENTS

### Dollar Dinner!

On Thursdays at 6:00 pm at Penn Newman, gather with us for an all-you-can-eat pasta dinner for just \$1! All Penn students are welcome and no reservation necessary! **No Dollar Dinners during break, but we'll start again Jan. 13.**

### Penn Newman: Spiritual Mentoring/Direction

Spiritual mentoring/direction is an opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional minister to speak about your life. Several mentors are available to Penn undergraduate and graduate students. See [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu).

### West Philly Recess Initiative

Penn Newman undergrads and grad students will be gathering for this program at local elementary schools. 2 hours per week (M-F) on site around lunchtime. Promote a more pleasant lunchroom and environment conducive to interactive play and fitness through games and activities. Contact Natalie at [west.philly.recess@gmail.com](mailto:west.philly.recess@gmail.com).

### Service Opportunity: Tutoring

Participate in a tutoring program for children from K-4<sup>th</sup> grades at Annunciation BVM Church in South Philly on Mondays, 3:00-5:15 pm. The children are primarily Mexican immigrants who are just learning English, and consequently placed below grade level in local schools. Contact Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

### Prayer Resources

Penn Newman invites you to check out our webpage with several links to resources designed to enhance your spiritual life. Go to [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu), Click on Activities, then Prayer & Spirituality, then Prayer Resources.

### Support Group for Penn Students Coping with Illness or Death of a Loved One

Penn students facilitate a peer-led support group. For more info, see [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu) (scroll down to the bottom of the page under "Ongoing Programs"). Though this is not a Penn Newman activity, we are happy to let students know of this opportunity.

