

**MASSES THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY**

(†) (DENOTES DECEASED)

**Sunday, January 4 Feast of the Epiphany**

8:00 a.m. John Heinz † *Sandra H. Foody*

10:00 a.m. Luigi & Pasqua Pacini † *by MA.P*

12:00 p.m. Willis McCook Miller, Sr. †  
*Willis McCook Miller, Jr.*

5:00 p.m. Mass for the People

**Monday, January 5 St. John Newman**

7:00 a.m. *David Daw* † *Josephine Daw*

12:05 p.m. Janet Luvara † (B/Day) *Janet Miller*

5:15 p.m. Ann Zaiden Sassin, Lila & Joe Constantin,  
Maime Zaiden & Joe by *Hilda Zaiden*

**Tuesday, January 6 Blessed Andrew Bessette**

7:00 a.m. Charles & Helen Schaefer † *Sandra Foody*

12:05 p.m. William & Margaret Garvey †  
*Fr. Jim Garvey*

5:15 p.m. Frances D. Walker † *Joyce Murphy*

**Wednesday, January 7 St. Raymond**

7:00 a.m. Robert Renko † *Caroline Bubic*

12:05 p.m. Joseph P. Kramer † (B/Day)  
*Myrna K. Dlacich*

5:15 p.m. Michael Joseph (Spl Int) *by Family*

**Thursday, January 8 Weekday after Epiphany**

7:00 a.m. Louis J. O'Neil † *Mrs. Virginia O'Neil*

12:05 p.m. Elizabeth Vitti † *Louis P. Vitti*

5:15 p.m. Craig & Sue Luhanik (Spl Int) *by Family*

**Friday, January 9 Weekday after Epiphany**

7:00 a.m. Intentions of the Sorrowful Mother  
*Dario Lorenzi*

12:05 p.m. Mike & Jane Luhanik † *by Family*

5:15 p.m. Albert Larkin † *Helene Larkin*

**Saturday, January 10 Weekday after Epiphany**

6:00 p.m. Lawrence Vallango † (Anniv) *by G.D.*

**Sunday, January 11 The Baptism of Jesus**

8:00 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory  
*Willis McCook Miller, Jr.*

10:00 a.m. Gaita & Abraham Families † *M/M Pat Gaito*

12:00 p.m. Henry & Cecilia Bolster † *Myrtle M. Bolster*

5:00 p.m. Charles D. Yothers † *by Family*  
*(Cynthia Yothers)*

*Welcome Bishop McDowell!*

On this Feast of the Epiphany

we are pleased to welcome

Bishop McDowell

who will celebrate and preach at the

10:00 a.m. Mass this weekend.

Thank you Bishop McDowell,

for your presence with us on this Feast!

**"Epiphany" Catholic Calendars 2009 on sale**

We are selling 2009 Catholic Calendars this year. The calendar includes holydays, holidays, saints days, scriptural reflections and reflections on "stewardship". The calendars are \$2.00 and are available now by calling the parish office, 412-471-0257x10. You may also purchase one at the Fish Fry on January 9th.

**Questions of Contributions**

You may have a question concerning your parish offertory contribution if you attend one of our other two churches. We ask that you place your Epiphany envelope in the collection basket. Please be sure to have your name noted, so that both you, and Epiphany receive credit. The envelopes with your contribution will be forwarded to Epiphany Church. Thank you for your support.

**Sanctuary Lamp**

A 14-day candle burns at the Blessed Sacrament altar daily to signify the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the church. During the weeks of **December 28 and January 4**, this candle will burn in honor of, and in loving memory of those whose names appear on the **Christmas Flower Memorial**.

**Monthly Remembrance**

The altar wine and hosts to be consecrated during the Masses for the month of **January**, will be offered for **John C. Gaita** requested by the **Gaita Family**. If you are interested in donating this memorial in honor of a loved one or for other intentions, please call the office or make it known through the offertory basket. The donation for a month is \$100.

**Pray for the sick, homebound and hospitalized**

Mary Barry, Margaret Hagan, Vince Lusardi, Nancy Meinert, K. Prosser, Joe Schramm, Mary Beth Starosielec, Diane Stebler, Jodi Stebler, Dan Simsick.

**Mass Schedule**

We are still working through the process of "change", to arrive at a schedule that will meet the needs of the parishioners, as well as the working community in the Uptown neighborhood. For those who schedule yearly Masses, please know that you will receive a letter with your scheduled Masses after the Mass schedule is decided upon and approved. Thank you for your patience.

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**STRANGERS**

The baby stirred and both Mary and Joseph were suddenly alert to the shouting and noise outside. It seemed as if all the townspeople were running in the streets and all shouting at once. What was happening? The sound of advancing camels, (a caravan) began to swell until soon the crowd was in the forecourt of the stable. Mary clutched the baby to her breast as Joseph hesitantly moved to the stable entrance. What in the world?

The camels knelt and three men in splendid robes, crowned with royal headdresses dismounted. The crowd opened wide to form a path for the three to approach the stable. Servants hurried to hand each of the magnificent riders jewel encrusted gift caskets. Joseph glanced back quizzically at Mary and the infant in her arms. Suddenly the trio fell to their knees, arms outstretched and bowed down in reverence.

Mother and child stared at them in wonder. Joseph stood aside and one by one they arose and entered, opening their gift boxes to reveal priceless spices, incense and gold. They laid these on the ground in front of Mary and the infant. They began to speak in an unusual tongue. A scribe tiptoed forward and began to translate: "They say they have studied the heavens all their lives. Then they saw the sign. The star, greater than any other, that the ancients had predicted. The star led them here. Here to welcome the King of Kings."

Mary looked first at the kneeling strangers then lovingly at her Son. How much had happened since that day in Nazareth? Coming here to Bethlehem, sharing a stable with the animals, being visited by shepherds and now these incredible strangers bearing priceless gifts.

In her heart Mary spoke a prayer: "Oh my beloved Son what strange journey have I embarked on? Be it done unto me according to Thy word." Looking up, she motioned the visitors closer so that they might truly see her Beloved Baby.

C. Clifford

**Votive Lights**

From time to time parishioners buy votive lights to use in the home. For those of you who do, we are asking that you return the empty vigil glasses, since the church receives reimbursement for the empties. From time to time people have purchased a carton (9 candles). For the sake of inventory, this order must always come through the office. Thank you for your help!

**Enjoy Books**

It is not too late to purchase an enjoy book! Books are still being sold through the office, and after the Masses during the month of January. Please see one of the ushers. Books are also being sold at the Fish Fry. There are many discounts for theatres, recreation, favorite eating places and other events. There are more than 1,200 opportunities for use in your local community. Purchase one today as a "New Years gift" for a friend ~ or belated Christmas gift, perhaps. This purchase will be a benefit to you and also benefit the church as well.

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**Retrouaille**

Retrouaille is a program to assist and support couples who are experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. This program has helped 10s of 1000s of couples. For confidential information about or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 9, 2009, please contact Retrouaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available on the web at [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com).

If you look for me at Christmas,  
you won't need a special star ~  
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,  
I'm right there where you are.  
You may not be aware of Me  
amid the celebrations ~  
You'll have to look beyond the stores  
and all the decorations.  
But if you take a moment  
from your list of things to do  
and listen to your heart, you'll find  
I'm waiting there for you.  
You're the one I want to be with,  
you're the reason that I came,  
and you'll find Me in the stillness  
as I'm whispering your name.

*Love, Jesus*

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**CHURCH NO.: 042**

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

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