



**PRESENTATION BVM**  
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil:** 5:15 PM  
**Sunday:** 8:30 and 11:30 AM  
**St. Joseph:** 10 AM  
**Daily:** 6:30 AM (Adoration Chapel) Mon. through Fri.  
 10:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Tues. and Thurs.  
 8:00 AM (Adoration Chapel) Sat.  
**St. Joseph:** 10:00 AM Mon., Wed., Fri.  
**Holyday:** No Vigil Mass at Presentation  
 Holyday: 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM  
 (Except Christmas & New Year's Day)  
**St. Joseph:** Vigil Mass, 7:30 PM  
 Holyday: 10:00 AM

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA DEVOTIONS**

Each Saturday following the Rosary at 7:30 AM

**SACRAMENTS**

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays: 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM  
**BAPTISM:** Third Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM  
**Baptismal Instructions:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at  
 7:00 PM in the rectory. Pre-registration is required;  
 please contact the Rectory.  
**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements must be made at least six  
 months before the date of the wedding.

**Deadline for Publication**

The deadline for publication in the parish bulletin is Monday  
 at 11am. You can submit your notices either by email or by  
 dropping them off at the rectory. (Previously published  
 bulletins are available on the parish website.)  
 bulletin.pbvm@gmail.com

**Rectory Office Hours**

Monday – Wednesday, 8 am - 1 pm  
 Thursday and Friday – No Office Hours  
 No evening hours

## January 2, 2022 – Epiphany of Our Lord

### First Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6

A wonderful introduction leads into a description of a procession of all the world coming to Mt. Zion to rebuild Jerusalem.

### Second Reading: Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Paul interprets the revealed mystery of Christ, namely that Gentiles are full participants in the Church.

### Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12


The wise men represent the Gentile world in all its racial diversity coming to worship Christ. “The East” in this case could be Persia, Syria, or Arabia. They acknowledge Jesus as a royal Messiah.

### Reflection:

The gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—have come to be understood as symbols of Christ’s royalty, divinity, and eventual suffering and death. They are special because in giving them, the Magi acknowledge who Jesus was to be: our Savior. We pray that we will acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all that we do and say.

### So, we ask ourselves:

- Do we acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all we do and say?
- Do we welcome all people into our lives regardless of their differences from us?



### Readings for the Week – January 2, 2022

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30  
**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:30 Cyrenian Society  
11:30

#### Monday, January 3, 2022

6:30 Thomas and Marie Magras  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Tuesday January 4, 2022, Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

6:30 Joseph Tuyen Dinh  
10:00

#### Wednesday, January 5, 2022, Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop

6:30  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Thursday, January 6, 2022

6:30  
10:00

#### Friday, January 7, 2022

6:30 Thomas and Mary Donahue  
10:00 Mass at St. Joseph

#### Saturday, January 8, 2022,

8:00

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

Please keep in your daily prayers, those who are sick and in need of God’s healing touch.

Miriam Abaladejo, Joseph Affet, Edward Anstotz, Sonny & Paul Andris, Matthew Balent, Bill Bambery, Regina Carberry, Sr. Marie Cella, Debbie Chakler, Joanna DeNofa, Stanley Grey, Bob Gottschalk, Charles and Donna Frush, Fred Henderson, Carol Jean Hertkorn, Joey Lanzi, Mary Hillenbrand, Brian Hinchey, Stanley Hrynko, Ethel Iannuzzi, Russel Kahny, Jaime Loyola, Mary McGlinn, Donna McGonigle, Bill Mahoney, Norah Mason, Eileen Myer, Mary Ellen Murphy, Mary Rowland, Theresa Noraka, Ann Schlimer, Anthony Piotrowski, Patty Rowley, Ann Ruocchio, Aiden Smith-Kirk, Eileen S. Smith, Michael R. Smith, Ethel Thomas, Josephine D. Smith, Theresa and Bill Sheviver, Rita Marie Smith, Marie Verna, Steven Specht Jr., Howard Stickley III, James White, Patricia Wilbert, Joan Unterkofler, Chris Vogel

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<https://www.facebook.com/PresParishCheltenham/>



Pres Events, 01/02 – 01/08		
	Parish	School
Sun., 01/02		
Mon., 01/03		Classes resume.
Tues., 01/04	PREP, 6:45 – 8:05 pm	School Mass, 10 am
Wed., 01/05		
Thurs., 01/06		
Fri., 01/07		
Sat., 01/08		

### Food Cupboard Sunday

"When I was hungry, you gave Me to eat"

Please bring your food donations to Mass next weekend. Items most in need at the cupboard are peanut butter, jelly, mac and cheese, juice, cereal, rice, canned beans, and evaporated milk. Thank you for your generosity.

### SUPPORT THE PARISH!

Our parish offers online giving. Sponsored by the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia, support our parish by visiting [www.thecfcp.org/parish](http://www.thecfcp.org/parish). Using your credit card or ach/direct debit from your bank account, you'll be able to make a one-time contribution or setup a recurring gift so that presentation bvm parish, Cheltenham, can receive a steady avenue of support. **Be sure to select the correct presentation bvm in the dropdown menu** - there are two presentation bvm parishes in the archdiocese - but only one presentation bvm-cheltenham.



### SCRIP NEWS and Fall Schedule



**Monday:** 8 am – 10 am; **Tuesday:** 2 pm – 3 pm  
**Wednesday:** 2 pm – 3 pm; 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
**Thursday:** 8 am – 10 am; **Friday:** 8 am - 10 am;  
**Saturday:** CLOSED; **Sunday:** 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Our scrip sellers are local and very passionate about our Scrip Program. Should you find yourself in need of Scrip, outside of normal business hours, PLEASE CONTACT:  
 Nicole Herbert (215) 939-3900;  
 Kathleen Hurst (215) 870-8251

They will do their very best to accommodate you!  
 SCRIP IS AVAILABLE 24/7 @ [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) or by using the Raise Right App on your mobile device.

Any questions? Need help? Call us, text us, email us! We will help you earn money for yourself and also for our school!  
 The Scrip program is the easiest, no cost fundraiser there is. There is no gimmick, no catch. It takes a few minutes of pre-planning and a smidge of discipline, but the payoff is great!!!!

Monies earned through Scrip can be used at ANY school (AOP, Private Schools/Academies, etc)...from Pre-School through College, student loans, and any school related fees.

And one last reminder: It is much easier to support your school while it is open than it is to save it from closing.

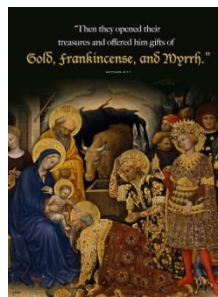
### Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for January For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

### Answers to this week's "Theology Trivia"

1. Faith 2. Love 3. Hope 4. St. Thomas More 5. Bishop

### Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



"They returned to their country by another way." What a near fairy tale ending to this lovely but significant episode in the Christmas story. Whether they were the traditional three figures (based on the number of gifts) or of an unknown head count; whether they were astrologers, or kings, they represent us, the Gentile world, coming to pay homage to the newborn Messiah. As

happened before in those days of wonder, the wise men received a warning in a dream and escaped the clutches of the malignant monarch Herod. Instead they mounted their humped "desert ships" and headed East, never to be seen again.

But here may I interject a question, "home to do what?" Adhere to studying the stars? Perhaps, but we know that no one who comes to Jesus goes away the same.

My imagination supplies one possible answer: In their newfound lives they became evangelizers, eager to tell the world about Him whom they had seen lying in the manger. The same One whom they had gifted with items not found in stables. They now had a new purpose in life.

That leads into the subject of our individual purpose in the grand scheme of things. What is it? What specifically are we called to do for God here below in order to live with Him forever above in heaven? Will we tackle it a bit better now that a brand new year has arrived?

Prayer, for believers at least, is the main component of the search. Allow me now to bring to your attention the most helpful words of St. John Henry Cardinal Newman. He presents his thought with his characteristic eloquence and that pertinent wisdom displayed every time he put pen to paper. I have carried the following with me for years.

*"God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.*

*He has not created me for naught. I shall do good. I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace; a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it, if I but keep His commandments. Therefore I shall trust Him.*

*Whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him. In perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about.*

*He may take away my friends; He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate; make my spirits sink; hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about."*

God love you and give you His peace in this New Year!



### MARRIED COUPLES

Resolve to "Live your best life in love" in 2022: Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? In-person experiences in the New Year are:

**When:** February 11-13 and April 22-24

**Where:** Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown.

**More Info:** <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>



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## Lottery Calendar Fundraiser

31 chances to win —  
\$2,700 in total prizes  
ranging from \$50 to \$500!

Winner based on the daily 7pm  
Pennsylvania Evening Pick 3  
(straight as drawn)

Your \$10 donation supports  
the students and staff at Presentation BVM School.

Calendars are available to purchase at school, at the Scrip office  
or after Mass on the weekends.

If you are interested in selling/buying calendars,  
please contact Bill Boyce at [wboyce@presbvmschool.org](mailto:wboyce@presbvmschool.org)

**Thank you for your support!**

### National March for Life in Washington, DC

The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It's the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world.

**When:** Friday, Jan. 21, 2022; **Location:** Washington, D.C.

#### More Info:

Mass begins at 10 am, and ends at 11am

Face masks are optional at this time in the Basilica

For more information, contact the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500

or email Cassandra at [cdoughty@archphila.org](mailto:cdoughty@archphila.org)

### Young Adult Retreat

Come join other young adults (ages 22-35) married or single, to take a step back from our busy lives. This will be a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family members and yourself. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!

**When:** February 11 - 13, 2022

**Where:** Marianist Family Retreat Center  
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

**Cost:** \$140 per person;  
Some financial aid is available.

**Register at:** [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org)  
or call 609-884-3829

### Ongoing Initiatives

**Revive Online Ministry Training Platform -**  
[archphila.org/revive](http://archphila.org/revive)

**Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction -**  
[archphila.org/hope](http://archphila.org/hope)

**Intercessory Teams for Priests -**  
[phillyevang.org/pray4priests](http://phillyevang.org/pray4priests)

**Nourish for Caregivers Support Groups -**  
[phillyevang.org/nourish](http://phillyevang.org/nourish)

**Archdiocesan Missionary of Mercy -**  
[archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy)

**List of Local Catholic Ministries in the Archdiocese -**  
[phillyevang.org/fire](http://phillyevang.org/fire)

## An Epiphany Prayer

Lord Jesus, may your light shine our way,  
as once it guided the steps of the magi:  
that we too may be led into your presence  
and worship you, the Child of Mary,  
the Word of the Father, the King of nations,  
the Saviour of mankind;  
to whom be glory for ever.

(Frank Colquhoun)



<https://www.scross.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Epiphany-Prayer.jpg>

### Catholic Grandparents Ministry

Grandparents, you have a great influence for evangelizing the family. Please join the Catholic Grandparents Ministry to support other Grandparents and to pray for our children and grandchildren. You can help build a vibrant Grandparents ministry and become equipped to pass on the faith.

**When:** First Tuesdays at 7 pm, January 2022 to May 2022

**Location:** Zoom meeting

**More Info:** Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 4. For more info and to request the Zoom link, please contact Lidia Manieri 610-350-7232 [lidia@mmanieri.com](mailto:lidia@mmanieri.com) or Paul and Mary Kay Dunne 610-724-6534.

### Sacraments - Do You Understand What They Do?

"The Seven Sacraments continue the saving work of Jesus until he comes again...Participation in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, is not simply an option; rather, it is foundational to sustain the faithful in union with the very life of the Trinity and to strengthen them for the rigors of living their faith as committed disciples." USCCB Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis. Join Dr. Joe Zalot to learn more about what the Sacraments do in the Adult Faith Enrichment series. From 2004 to 2015, Dr. Zalot was a tenured professor at Mount St. Joseph University in Cincinnati. He joined The National Catholic Bioethics Center as a staff ethicist in July 2017.

**When:** Sundays Jan. 9, 16, and 23 at 10:30 am

**Where:** Saints Simon and Jude Parish,

West Chester in the Meehan Center. All are welcome.

**More Info:** [www.simonandjude.org](http://www.simonandjude.org) or contact Sister Mary Agnes at [smaryan@simonandjude.org](mailto:smaryan@simonandjude.org) / 610 696-3624

### LOOKING AHEAD...

**April 30, 2022 - Archdiocesan Family Festival,**  
Cardinal O'Hara High School

**May 4, 2022 - Making Missionary Disciples Training Conference** with Dr. Edward Sri

**June 21-25, 2022 - GIVEN Catholic Young Women's Leadership Forum,** Aston, PA

**October 6-14, 2022 - Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Eric Banecker**

### Theology Trivia

1. Name the virtue that helps us believe all that God has revealed.
2. Name the greatest virtue.
3. Name the virtue that helps us trust in God's promises.
4. Who was the lawyer martyr of England?
5. Who is the ordinary minister of Confirmation?

(Answers on p. 3)

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