

Epiphany Worship

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JANUARY 7 TH EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

PROMISE FULFILLED

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Liturgy of Emmanuel

The assembly has gathered from near and far, on foot, by bus, by car, by subway, singly and by twos and threes: single people, couples, families. Now that movement is ritualized and made visible in the liturgy's entrance procession.

We are not alone on this journey; Christ is with us. The procession is led by the cross, with the image of Christ upon it. Candles, signs of a living presence, are carried around the cross. Candles also accompany the Book of the Gospels, another sign of Emmanuel, God-with-us. The priest presider is likewise a sign of Christ's presence in our assembly; he will act in persona Christi, in the person of Christ, who presides at every Eucharist.

As the procession begins, we stand and sing together in our first act as a community. The joining of our voices begins to turn many into one. The songs we sing range from ancient chants tocontemporary hymns, but they have the same purpose, to foster our unity and turn our thoughts to the mysteries we gather to celebrate. We may feel that we can't sing well, but "Christ always invites us to enter into song, to rise above our own preoccupations, and to give our entire selves to the hymn of his Paschal Sacrifice" (USCCB, Sing to the Lord, 14).

> No Wednesday Mass in January Father will be out of town

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and th glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 6

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheir copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, looki for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 11	Reading 1: Isaiah 55:1-11; Gospel: Mark 1:7-
Tuesday: 1:21-28	Reading 1: 1 Samuel 1:9-20 Gospel: Mark
Wednesday: Mark	Reading 1: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Gospel: 1:29-39
Thursday: 1;40-45	Reading 1: 1 Samuel 4:1-11 Gospel: Mark
Friday: -12	Reading 1: 1 Samuel 8:4-7; Gospel: Mark 2:1
Saturday: Mark 3:	Reading 1: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; Gospel: 13-17

THE HOLY STAR

O Father, may that holy star Grow every year more bright And send its glorious beams afar





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	JAN 7th	
ne	LECTOR	MARK
50:1-	SERVERS	LESLIE & MARINA
	COUNTER	TOM & BEVERLY
	JAN 14th LECTOR SERVER	PEGGY CARLOS & MAX
irs,	COUNTER	MARY & ANN F
	JAN 21 st	
	LECTOR	BEVERLY
ing	SERVERS	JESUS & LESLIE
2:1	COUNTER	TOM & BEVERLY
	JAN 28TH	
	LECTOR	JEFF
	SERVER	CARLOS & MAX
	COUNTER	MARY & ANN F

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peac Where there is hatred, let me sow where there is injury,pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen

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