



The Epiphany Of The Lord

January 4, 2026

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Life hands us many epiphanies or “wake up calls.” A few years ago, a young couple adopted a two-year-old child in a morass of red tape, complications, and court hearings. At the baby’s baptism, the priest suggested appending an “adoption blessing,” wherein the new relationship was expressed and affirmed. There is a place in that rite for the child to speak, and instead the priest said, “Can you give Daddy a kiss?” Standing in the midst of his church, the young adoptive father suddenly welled up with tears as he embraced the child. Afterward, he explained that through all the hassles and legal struggles he never until that moment in church understood that he was the parent of this child. The ritual claimed them for each other, gave expression to their relationship that the legal documents never could, and firmly cemented this child into the heart of a community as everyone erupted into heartfelt applause. This assembly witnessed in a powerful way what happens in every baptism: the mystery of adoption, the free flow of grace, the overwhelming sense of God’s presence at the heart of our life’s journey.

Please welcome Father Brian Timby, who will be celebrating Mass throughout the month of January while Father Anthony is on vacation.

Knights of Columbus meeting, Wednesday, January 21, dinner at 6:00 followed by the rosary at 6:45 and meeting at 7:00.

SUNDAY
COLLECTION

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If you have an emergency while Father is on vacation. Please contact St Mary's Catholic Church in Jackson TN, telephone # 731-668-2596.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — All the nations will worship you, Lord (Psalm 72).

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

Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8,10-12a; G Matthew 4: 12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2,3-4,7-8; G Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2,10,12-13; G Mark 6: 45-52

Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2,14 & 15bc,17; G Luke:14-22a

Friday: 1 John 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20; G Luke 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 John 3:22-30; Ps 149:1-2,3-4,5-6a &9b; G John 3:22-30

Sunday: Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7(21ABC); Ps 29:1-2,3-4,3,9-10; Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38; G Matthew 3:13 -17(21A)

ALL SHARE IN THE PROMISE

Picture a nativity scene in your mind’s eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. “Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance.” The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God’s mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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EUCARISTIC JIM

JANUARY 4TH

LECTOR Mark

SERVER Carlos

EUCARISTIC Jim, Beverly, Ann F

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JANUARY 11TH

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ANN C ANITA

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SERVER Max

EUCARISTIC. JOY, Florencia, Jim

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