

Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

Matthew 2:9

The Epiphany of the Lord

Parish Clergy

Rev. Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly, Pastor
Reverend William H. Bowles
Reverend John Callan, Sch.P.

Office Hours: Monday 12pm—4:00pm,
Tuesday—Friday 8:30am—4:00pm

Confession: Saturdays from 4-5pm

† Mass Schedule †

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00, 10:30, Noon & 5:00pm

Daily Masses:

Monday-Saturday: 8:45am

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 4

8:45am **Int.** Blessed Mother and Margaret Josie
 5:00pm ✝ Betsy Russo and Clifford Coughlin

Sunday, January 5

7:30am ✝ Jay Flynn and Bob Hanke
 9:00am ✝ Julio Sotomayor, Carmine Coletti and William & Michelina Williams
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✝ Bertha Pineros
 12:00pm ✝ Salvatore & Mauro Manfredi and Maria Divasto
 5:00pm ✝ Steve & Jody Langsenkamp and Jon P. Brockwell, Sr.

Monday, January 6

8:45am ✝ Marco Frasca, Bill Banister and Minerva Bloom

Tuesday, January 7

8:45am ✝ Dennis Healey and Thomas Piazza

Wednesday, January 8

8:45am ✝ Donald Hatch, Bob Hanke and Shannon Marie Gagnon

Thursday, January 9

8:45am ✝ Francesco Godina, Marty Mac and **Int.** Diane Anderson

Friday, January 10

8:45am ✝ Kathy Hines, Hugh Ward and **Int.** Bruce Boynton

Saturday, January 11

8:45am ✝ Maureen Carretta and Thomas Piazza
 5:00pm ✝ John Winningham Family and Dr. Robert Dublis

Sunday, January 12

7:30am ✝ Roland & Barbara Faria and **Int.** Mary Jane & Paul Helmer
 9:00am ✝ Margaret Cooney and Felipe Hernandez
 10:30am **Int.** Parishioners of St. John the Baptist and ✝ Bertha Pineros
 12:00pm ✝ Domenico Manfredi and Mary Hart
 5:00pm ✝ Karen Wiktor and Robert Ayoub

Jan. 11 & 12	Celebrant	Lector	Extra-ordinary Ministers
Sat. 5:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	Jo-Ann Tabry	Nora Purcell Claire Brown Mary Joe Clark
Sun. 7:30am	Fr. Callan	Greg Coican	Frank Finlon Leah Finlon
Sun. 9:00am	Fr. Kelly	David Crane	Susan Crane Elena Catana Maria Kamboureliis
Sun. 10:30am	Fr. Bowles	Joanne Jasin	Karen Niles Kris Ahern Stephen Johnson
Sun. 12 Noon	Msgr. Dixon	Bob Bulfin	Gail Bulfin Jody Williams
Sun. 5:00pm	Msgr. Sheahan	Bill Lank	Dave Cooney Rene Cooney

Baptism: Previously registered parishioners should contact the Parish office at least one month in advance. Baptisms are held on the 2nd Sunday after the 12pm Mass.

Marriage: Arrangements are made for previously registered and participating parishioners with six months of preparation.

Homebound: Please contact the Rectory to register for home visits for those unable to attend Mass.

Women's Guild: Monthly meetings are held Oct - May, 2nd Wed. at 9:30am. Boutique workshops are Wed. at 9:30am

Men's Club: Meetings on the 4th Tuesday, Sept - May. Breakfast is hosted after First Friday 8:45am Mass.

Divine Will Group meets Wednesday evenings from 6- 9pm in the Parish Hall. Monthly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the 3rd Sunday, 1-3pm.

Our Novena and Benediction Service and Rosary:

Please join us Monday-Saturday at 8:20am for the Rosary and on Mondays for our Novena and Benediction service immediately following the 8:45am Mass.



Saint Coleman Catholic School will have an Open House on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 from 8:30am-10:30am for grades Pre-K-3 through 8th grade.

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2020

All couples married in the Catholic Church celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th or 50 plus wedding anniversary in 2020 are invited to come to a Mass on January 25th at St. Mary Cathedral to receive a blessing from Archbishop Thomas Wenski. Couples interested in having their picture taken with Archbishop Wenski should arrive by 4pm with Mass starting at 5:30pm.

St. Mary Cathedral
 7525 NW 2nd Avenue
 Miami, FL 33150

To register:
<https://conta.cc/2HAU4t0>

“In Search of Meaning”

The “Magi” (Wise Men or Kings) are the conduits of God's message on this Feast of Epiphany. Legend names three of them, though the scriptures do not give any number. They are described as astrologers, an important science in ancient times, although mildly acknowledged in our day. They appear wealthy because of the leisure time they had for travel and the richness of the gifts they brought.

Some modern scholars have called the Magi “men in search of meaning.” What did the special light in the heavens mean? What was the meaning of the prophecies of these strange people to the west who were called Israelites?

Our generation of the twenty-first century is a generation also in search of meaning. We have looked for it in science and technology without much success. Science and technology have vastly improved many areas of living, but they have also fueled the most deadly wars in all human history. We have more leisure time than any prior generation, and we in the United States are relatively affluent. Yet, for all of that, we have not become notably happier.

Evidence of the modern need for meaning and happiness is all around us. Divorces are booming with the introduction of no-fault divorce. Abortion for the sake of convenience is safe, civilly legal, and widespread in our country, which has the highest abortion rate of any industrialized nation in the world. Addiction to drugs, alcohol and tobacco is prevalent, and crime rates soar because of drug-related incidents. Psychiatry flourishes in America like nowhere else. Among youths between ages 15 and 24, suicide and automobile accidents are the chief causes of death.

Are we a people in search of meaning in our lives? If not, all the signs show us we should be! We have to believe that the lives of the Magi were changed by their experience in Bethlehem. To them Jesus was the heavenly Father's answer to the darkness, sinfulness, miseries and searching of 2000 years ago. To us, in our day, Jesus is also the answer to our search for meaning. See everything you do in the plan of God and place yourself in the hands of Jesus who will bring you to eternal life.

Blessings,
Father Vincent T. Kelly

Women’s Guild Meeting

The Women’s Guild monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, January 8 at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall. The guest speaker will be Prashantha Challa from Morgan Stanley who will be discussing fraud and cyber security. We hope to see you there!



Classes resume next weekend, January 12th! We hope everyone had a relaxing holiday with their families.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Archbishop’s Charities & Development Drive for 2020 is about to begin!

Please be generous in your support as our parish works to reach its annual quota! Thank you for your support.



Envelopes are being mailed to your homes by the Archdiocese and will be available on the tables. Please place your envelopes in the collection basket. We will process them in the rectory and submit them to the Archdiocese for proper accounting to the parish.



Bible Study

Our *Jesus Revealed* program resumes this week, Thursday, January 9th.

Classes are Thursdays at 9:30am and 7:00pm.

Saturday, January 18, 2020
from 8am-1pm
St. Ignatius of Loyola Cathedral
9999 North Military Trail
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410



FREE ADMISSION

Please register by January 8 at catholicmenforjesusflorida.com
Featuring guest speakers Chris Stefanick and Jimmy Wahlberg
Breakfast and lunch will be provided
Questions? Call Mike Bradshaw (901) 485-7575

The donation letters for the 2019 tax year will be mailed prior to January 31, 2020. Thank you for your generous support throughout the year!

