

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Bill Fisher, Pastor

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 3, 2021



Our Parish Family

Food Kitchen

Looking at a bulletin from September 2019, the Food Kitchen prepared and served lunch for 291 people.

Fast forward to December 2020 - and the count grew to 750. What a difference.

We appreciate your continued donations - and look forward to your help again in 2021.

The next food kitchen is Jan. 11.

Wanted: Photos from St. John's Grade School

We begin the new year looking back. Resurrection Catholic School, now our parish grade school, is seeking old pictures of St. John's students: kindergarten plays, First Holy Communion, your class or graduation.

The staff is building an online library so we can all take a trip down memory lane.

Have photos to share? Let them know at fholcomb@rckck.com. Or call Joanne Lally at (913) 218-4448.

What a great gift for our children and grandchildren.

Taste of KCK

The annual fundraiser for Resurrection Catholic School will be a virtual one.

For three days, the school will share recipes and videos with a focus on the communities it serves.

On Jan. 26, the Croatian legacy will be featured. Buy your favorite foods at Krizman's Sausage, 424 N. 6th St., KCK, and the business will donate a portion of the sales to the school.

The Mexican community will be the focus on Jan. 27 and the Burmese will be highlighted on Jan. 28.

For information and donations: rckck.org/taste-of-kck

A New Year's Prayer
Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits to be born again
Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time, many will see the
wonders of God
And live forever to praise
Your glorious name.

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Weekly Collections

Christmas and Dec. 27, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 1,788
Maintenance:	\$ 225
Candles:	\$ 215
Christmas flowers	\$ 60
Christmas offering	\$ 1,660
Baby Jesus' Crib	\$ 82

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the lowly and the poor;
the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation.

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

First Reading

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory.

Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you.

Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage."

After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.