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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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." - Mt 2:1-2

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PRAY & WORSHIP WITH US

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass (Saturday) | 4:30pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am
& 12:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday thru Saturday | 8:30am

CONFESSION

Saturday | 3:00pm - 4:00pm
Other | By Appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday | 9:00am - 12:00pm
Saturday | 3:00 pm- 4:00pm

DAILY DEVOTIONS

9:00am after Mass

Mon - Sat | Holy Rosary
Mon | Holy Spirit
Tues | Saint Joseph
Wed | Mother of Perpetual Help
Thur | St. Therese of Lisieux
Fri | Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat | Our Lady of Assumption

SACRAMENTS

Call the office for Baptism, Marriage
and Faith Formation Classes

EPIPHANY OF THE
LORD
JANUARY 7. 2024

The Magi set out at the rising of the star. They teach us that we need to set out anew each day, in life as in faith, for faith is not a suit of armour that encases us; but a fascinating journey, constant and restless movement, ever in search of God. -Pope Francis

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Epiphany of the Lord

Year B - Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

Today we experience the infant Jesus being visited by Magi, who carried news of God’s presence in Jesus back to their foreign lands.

The Magi from the East came to find pleasure, not in the city of Jerusalem, but in a small cave where they found God humanized in the Child lying in a manger. Like the Magi, let us come close to the divine crib and listen to our Savior as he speaks to us. Let us follow the many inspirations and affections that arouse us to God’s love.


Some people think that a certain art is needed to grow in holy love. There is no art to loving God. We need only to practice pleasing God in the simplicity of our heart, without trouble or anxiety. Holy simplicity leaves the result of its actions to Divine Providence. The single and only aim of simplicity is the pure love of God. Simplicity, contrary to deceit, requires that our interior self and our exterior actions be in conformity with one another.

We are called to labor faithfully in the exercise of divine love, without shame, sadness or anxiety. Embarked then, in the exercise of our daily tasks, carried along by the wind of our simple and loving confidence in God, we shall make the greatest progress. Without stirring from our place then, we shall draw nearer and nearer to home, as do those who sail the high seas with favorable winds. Every event and variety of accident that may happen will be received calmly and peacefully. Even though our journey through life is full of dangers, let us be confident in following the Star of Bethlehem, who desires to fill us with His love. In this way, we’ll be like the Magi who confidently followed the Star of Bethlehem, Who leads us to eternal glory.

-Adapted from the Writings of St. Francis de Sale (<https://www.oblates.org/salesian-sunday-reflection-feed/january-7-2024-epiphany-of-the-lord>)

THANK YOU

December 24, 2023	\$5,363.50
EFT from Diocese for November	\$605.00
Christmas	\$14,017.00
Simbang Gabi	\$6,078.00
Collection Sunday, December 31, 2023	\$6,645.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$3,114.00



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

8:30am Fr. Charles Zeyen+
Melchoir Mendoza+

4:30pm Fernanda Eiras+

SUNDAY JANUARY 7

8:00am Joseph Zeyen+
10:00am Marcela B. Piamonte+
12:00pm Confirmation Students
Lee Wardle, Jr.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8

8:30am Lita Flinders+

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

8:30am Joe P Riccio+
Manuel Uribe+

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

8:30 am John Gomes Jr.+
Carmen Ayon+

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

8:30am Lilia Velasco+

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

8:30am Patty Gilmore +

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

8:30am Charles F. Zeyen+
4:30pm People of Assumption

Please Pray for Healing
Juan Rodriques Franisca
Solano, Mike Tedschi

In Loving Memory
Oscar Borin
Norma Jean Hickman

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS REQUESTS

Let your Assumption Community offer prayers for your special intentions for a family member, a friend, a deceased love one or a special occasion.
info@assumptionsanleandro.org
or visit the Rectory Office. Forms are available at the back of the Church.

UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS

Anointing of the Sick January 6/7

Every first Saturday and Sunday of the month after all Masses Fr. John and Fr. Julius administer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. The Anointing of the Sick is not just a sacrament for those who are at the point of death but also for those suffering from physical, mental, or spiritual sickness. If you are homebound or scheduled to go to the hospital for surgery or extended care, please contact the Parish Office.

Confirmation Preparation January 7

at 11:00am in the small hall While teens in our community attend various high school, Assumption's Confirmation program provides a place for them to come together and to learn, to share, and to build a faith community.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults January 9

RCIA session in the Rectory in Saint John Paul II Room. At 7:

Assumption University for Seniors January 10

Classes begin at 11:30am in the rectory. Join the Assumption University Fun, Fellowship Lunch, and Learn Series. Enjoy the delightful company of fellow parishioners who are 55 & Older. No need to RSVP.

CYO Sponsored 10am Mass January 14

The Catholic Youth Organization, through the vehicle of sports, provides youth with an opportunity to practice Christian attitudes and responsibilities and to become friends with other children throughout the diocese. CYO activities should be examples of the meaning of Christian sportsmanship. We encourage coaches and players to come to mass in their uniforms.

Elementary - Fifth Grade January 14

at 11:15am in the Ministry Center Our programs combine religious education, participation in weekly liturgies, faith families, & preparation for sacraments.

Parent Sessions January 14

11:15am in the small hall These classes are for parents whose children will be receiving their sacraments this spring.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - January 14

On Sundays at the 10am Family Mass, (except for holidays) before the Scripture readings begin, children ages 4-12 are called forward, and sent with a blessing to the rectory for a Gospel lesson. They hear the same Scriptures that are proclaimed at Mass, but explained on a level that younger children can understand. The children return to their family in church after the Creed, as the Offertory and Liturgy of the Eucharist begins.

Assumption Youth Social Action Team January 14

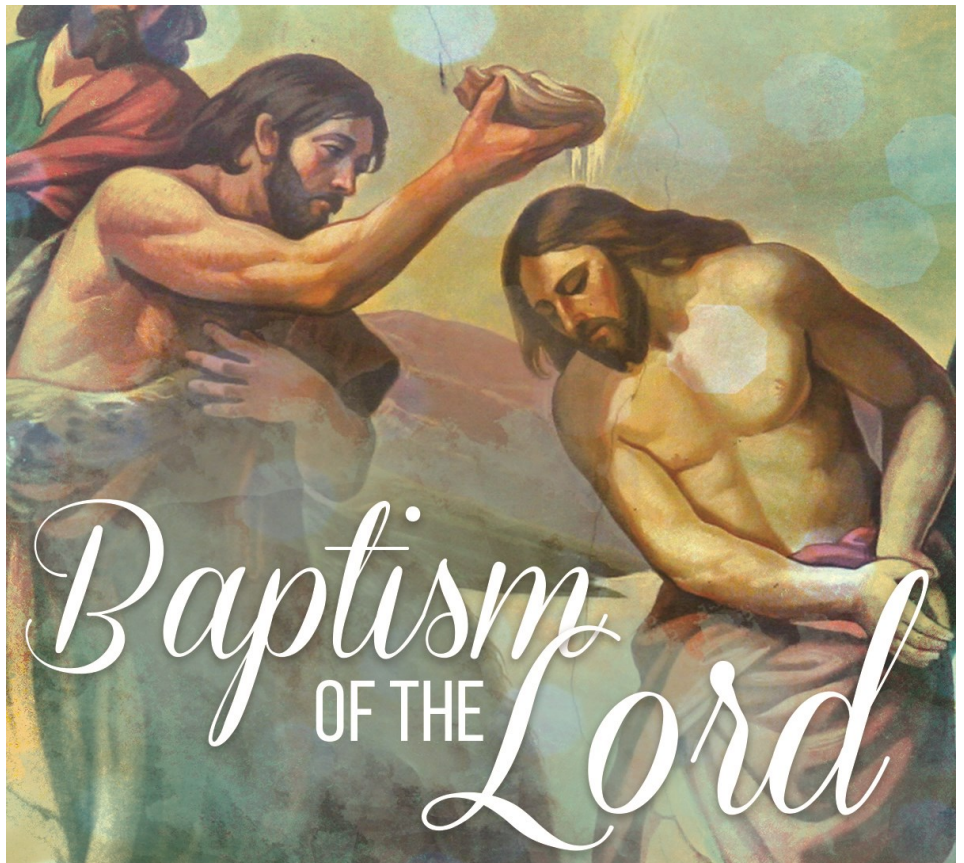
at 11:15 following 10:00am Family Mass

Brown Bag Outreach for the Month of January

This month our brown bag outreach (works of mercy) is for new socks and gently worn coats which will be donated to our local shelters and encampments.

CYO Spring Sport Registration Begins

Registration is now open for Girls Basketball, Boys Sand Volleyball and Co-Ed Track & Field <http://www.assumptionsanleandro.org/>



WELCOME DEACON RICO CABEZAS

Father John is happy to inform you that Bishop Michael Barber and Deacon Tim More, diocesan director of Permanent Deacons, assigned Deacon Rigo Cabezas in Assumption as our parish permanent deacon. Deacon Rigo resides in San Leandro with his wife Reina. At his previous assignments, he worked as the Evangelization and Faith Formation Director of Holy Spirit in Fremont and parochial administrator of St. Patrick Church in Oakland. His ministerial duties at Assumption will include helping with liturgical and sacramental celebrations, and the evangelization and faith formation programs in the parish.

This is such a wonderful Christmas gift and an answered prayer. So please extend your warm welcome to Deacon Rigo and Reina.

Deacon Rico shares with us that he was Born in Nicaragua in 1953, Class of '72 Nicaragua Military Academy, married Reina in 1973, came to the USA in 1980, worked for PacBell from 1980-2000, listened to the call of the Lord in 1993 and ended up with a MA in Theology from USF in 2000, same year Bishop Cummins ordained me to the Permanent Diaconate... My family includes Reina my wife, 2 daughters, Reina Sofia and Reina Alexandra and 1 son, Peter; they have given Reina and I, 7 grandchildren... Reina and I come to you after serving at St Joachim from 2000-2009, St Michael the Archangel from 2010-2011, St John the Baptist from 2012-2014, Holy Spirit from 2014-2023, St Patrick from 2021-2023 and now Our Lady of Assumption, asking you to receive us in your midst, to pray for us and to support us in our desire to be holy and lead a saintly life... We thank you for your prayers...



Golden Gate Boys Choir and Bell Ringers Sing for Pope Francis in Rome

We are so proud of Aidan Galvan and Isidore Gutierrez, our younger parishioners, who are part of these talented young men.

"Singing and music can touch hearts, give beauty, and restore zest and hope". Pope Francis offered that reflection on Saturday as he met with members of the International Federation of Pueri Cantors.

Congratulations to Golden Gate Boys Choir. They have been singing for the Pope at the 44th International Congress of the Pueri Cantores in Rome, Italy. On January 1 they also sang at the 10am Vatican Mass. We are so proud of Aidan Galvan and Isidore Gutierrez.

The Golden Gate Choir graced our worship with their beautiful music and voices at our Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in August. Thank you to our community for supporting GGBC at our Family Fun Day to raise funds for their trip: Help (B)ring their Bells to Rome

TOGETHER, WE
CAN DO GREAT
THINGS.

Open House

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL

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Together, we will give your child a safe, welcoming environment to grow into a life-long learner, and provide tools for long-term academic success.

10 AM PARISH MASS

We welcome you to attend our 10am School Liturgy at the Church of Assumption

11:45 AM

Principal's Welcome

Prospective families meet with our Principal for a 15-minute greeting before tours and classrooms open.

12 -2 PM

School Tours led by 6-8th graders

Tour starts every 30 minutes by office. TK-8th grade classrooms will be open. Come Meet our teachers!



[Register online to reserve your spot today for school tour!](http://www.assumptionschool-sl.org/openhouse) All are welcome!
Come meet our staff & community.

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