

## **Saint John the Baptist Parish** **Parroquia San Juan Bautista**

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### **Office Hours**

#### **Horario de la Oficina**

Monday – Thursday / Lunes a Jueves  
9:00am - 2:00pm 401- 722-9054

### **Weekend Masses**

#### **Misas de fin de semana**

Saturday: 4:30pm English/Ingles

Sabado 6:00pm Español/Spanish

Sunday: 9:30am English/Ingles

Domingo 11:30am Español/Spanish

### **Daily Masses**

#### **Misas durante la semana**

Monday & Wednesday 8:00am English/Ingles

Martes y Viernes 7:00pm Español/Spanish

Bilingual Mass Saturday/Sabado at 8:00am

### **Confessions**

Saturday / Sabado 3:30pm & 5:30pm

### **Baptism / Bautizo**

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of every Month after the 11:30am Mass. Please call the rectory a month in advance to schedule.

Los Bautismos se celebran el segundo Domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de las 11:30am. Llame a la rectoría con un mes de anticipación.

### **Matrimony / Matrimonio**

Call one year in advance to begin preparation  
Llamar un año con anticipación

### **Anointing of the Sick**

#### **Unción de los enfermos**

Please call the parish

Por favor llamar a la parroquia

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

#### **Adoración Eucarística**

Every Friday / Todos los Viernes  
9:00am to 6:45pm in the Church/Iglesia

### **Youth Group/Grupo Juvenil**

Sunday/Domingo next meeting TBD  
(Grades 7th to 12)

### **Comunidad Evangelizadora (Cers)**

Viernes a las 7:30pm en el sótano

### **Food Bank / Banco de Comida**

January/Enero

Mondays/Lunes 17 & 24

9:30am to 11:00am - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday/Miercoles 19 & 26

9:30am to 11:00am

9:30am to 11:00am - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

### **Hospitality House/Casa de Hospitalidad**

Open every Tuesday/Martes at 10:30am

Hot lunch served/Almuerzo at 11:30am

Almuerzo Caliente para los necesitados

### **New Parishioners/Nuevos Miembros**

Please call the rectory to register

Llamar a la Rectoría para registrarse

# **Epiphany of the Lord, January 2, 2022**

Dear Parishioners,

The Magi have finally arrived at the Creche! As you may have noticed over the past week in the church, the three kings have been inching closer and closer to the Manger. Today, as we celebrate **the Feast of the Epiphany** (meaning "manifestation"), their journey ended as they were led by the star to where Joseph and Mary were with their newborn Child. The Magi from the East had an "epiphany" as Jesus was "manifested" to them. They came to the Creche with their three gifts of frankincense, gold, and myrrh for the Child Jesus. The gold represented the Divinity of Jesus, the frankincense represented the Kingship of Jesus, and the myrrh represented Jesus' humanity. **There is so much to contemplate on this Feast of the Epiphany**, as we continue to celebrate our Lord's Birth. *First and foremost, we contemplate the fact that we are all still on a journey back to our Father in Heaven.* Even the Magi were still on a journey after the initial meeting with Baby Jesus. Daily, they had to renew their relationship with Him, just like we must do everyday, until we finally arrive Home. *Secondly, on this Feast of the Epiphany, we contemplate the fact that Jesus is the Savior for all.* When He was manifested to the Magi, who were Gentiles, the Lord showed that salvation is a gift for anyone who truly accepts Jesus into their lives, which happens through the Sacraments of our Catholic Church. *Finally, on this Feast of the Epiphany, we contemplate those three gifts that the Magi brought before the Lord.* We bring the Lord our three gifts of "time, talent, and treasure", as we worship Him as a parish community. Spiritually, physically, and financially, we can show our love for God and one another. May we continue to draw closer to Jesus our Newborn King as we begin this new year of 2022. God bless!

Fr. Sistare

**PS: I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who gave me Christmas cards, gifts, delicious baked goods, and other well wishes. A special thank to those that helped set-up the church so beautifully for the Christmas season.**

## **Epiphany Blessing of the Home**

It has been a tradition in the Catholic Church to bless chalk at the Masses for Epiphany, and then use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home in the New Year. The home blessing can be done as follows: Use the blessed chalk to write 20+C+M+B+22 above the doorways. 2022 for the year; C, M, B for the Magi—Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar—and for "Christus Mansionem Benedicat", Latin for "May Christ Bless this House." As you are writing, pray the following prayer: "May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen."

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday January 1</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
+Francis McGrath by friends	
<b>Sunday January 2</b>	<b>9:30am</b>
<b>Monday January 3</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Wednesday January 5</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Saturday January 8 Bilingual</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
<b>Sunday January 9</b>	<b>9:30am</b>

## **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

For all who are homebound or in nursing homes, and especially for the following parishioners:

**Jeanne Jugan Residence:** Florence Corneau,  
Jeannine Rondeau, Annette Tetreault,  
Lillianne Depot **At Home:** Jovina de Barros  
**St. Antoine:** Georgette Smith **Elmhurst Nursing**  
**Home:** Cesar Zuleta Sr.

12/26 Weekly Collection	\$2415.00
12/25 Christmas Collection	\$2385.00
<b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</u></b>	
January 2	Fuel & Maintenance
January 16	Catholic University
January 30	Church in Latin America

## Faith Formation Schedule

No class January 2

Class January 9, 16, 23, 30

Please see below for information on the upcoming January 2022 events for LIFE

January 7 through February 6

**The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe** will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from Friday, January 7 through Sunday, February 6, 2022. The full schedule will be available beginning January 3 by contacting 401-278-2518 or [LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org), and by visiting the diocesan website at [www.dioceseofprovidence.org](http://www.dioceseofprovidence.org).

January 15

**The Annual Respect for Life Mass** will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 15, 2022 in the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence. Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, Bishop of Providence, will be the main celebrant. The Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be on the altar for veneration during Mass.

January 19-27

**9 Days for Life**

This annual novena for the protection of human life is January 19 - 27, 2022. Sign up here - [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com).

Annual Respect for Life Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC

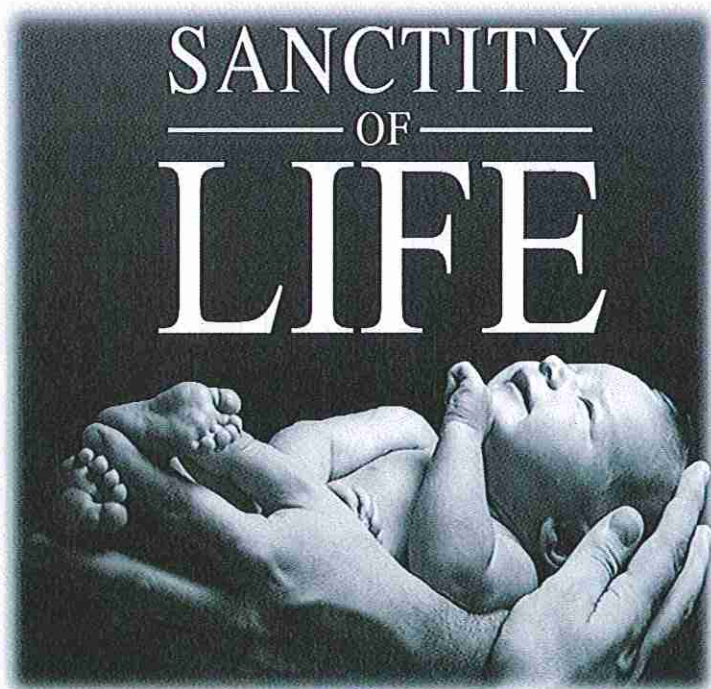
January 20- 22

Advance registration required, space is limited, first come, first served. Basic Itinerary: Thurs. evening, Jan. 20 - bus leaves RI to DC Fri., Jan. 21 - Mass, Rally and March in DC Early morning, Sat., Jan. 22

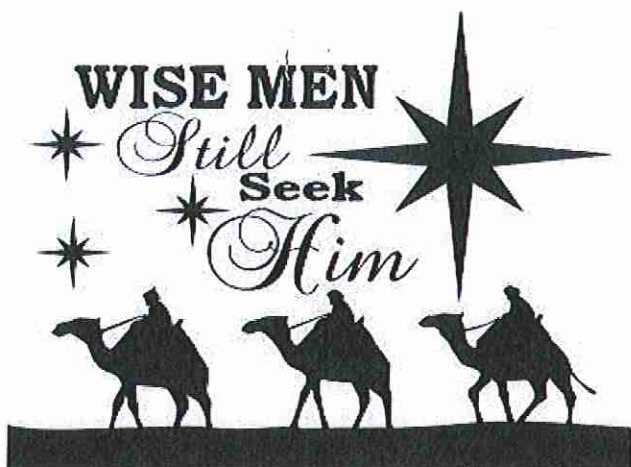
return to RI. Contact 401-278-2518, [LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org) to register and for all details. Groups are encouraged to register ASAP.

## March for Life Bus Trip

Join Servants of Christ on a charter bus to D.C. for the annual March for Life. We will leave **Thursday morning, Jan 20th**, and stay overnight in a Knights of Columbus hall in Maryland. We will join the March on Friday morning, Jan 21st, and return home Friday night. Trip includes: Bus ride, dinner and breakfast provided by the Knights, overnight lodging, pro-life speaker, evening and morning Mass, and of course the historic March for Life. Cost: \$125/pp. Contact: Tyler Rowley at 401-290-7201 or [t3rowley@gmail.com](mailto:t3rowley@gmail.com). Servants of Christ for Life was formed in 1973 to save unborn children from the human rights violation of abortion. We pray for, defend, save, and die with unborn children by joining them in their sufferings on the sidewalk. In 1984 we formed two partner organizations: 1) Mother of Life Center and 2) Little Flower Home. MLC is a crisis pregnancy center that offers free ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, parenting classes, and baby products to mothers in crisis pregnancies. LFH offers free housing to mothers in crisis pregnancies.



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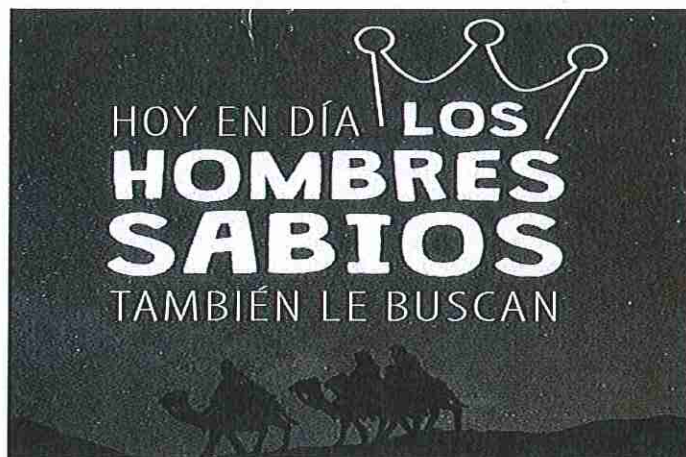
### THE GIFT OF SELF

“Then they opened their coffers and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” — Matthew 2:11 For most of the world, today’s feast of Epiphany is the most important day of the Christmas season. It’s the day when many people exchange gifts and imitate the wise men who gave gifts to Jesus. Today the Lord is calling us to give Jesus the present of ourselves, to prostrate ourselves before Him and do Him homage (Mt 2:11). Like the wise men, we should express our giving of everything to Jesus by giving Him something — a gift that would represent our all. Some of us should give Jesus gold. We should give money to God’s work to the degree that our lifestyle is significantly affected. Others should give frankincense. In the Bible, our prayer is represented by incense (Ps 141:2). We should commit ourselves to a time of prayer and fasting that will in effect be giving our lives to the Lord. Finally, we should give the Lord myrrh. Myrrh is associated with death since it is a perfume used to prepare a dead body for burial. We should give a gift that would force us to die to ourselves. On this great feast of Epiphany, let’s be wise enough to give Jesus our all.

**Prayer:** Jesus, in this season celebrating Your birthday, I give myself and my life to You forever.

**Promise:** “Rise up in splendor! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.” —Is 60:1

**Praise:** “The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and responded to the word of the Lord with praise. All who were destined for life everlasting believed in it” (Acts 13:48). Praise Jesus, King of the universe! Presentation Ministries



### PRESENTARSE COMO REGALO

“Luego, abriendo sus cofres, le ofrecieron dones, oro, incienso y mirra” (Mateo 2:11). Para la mayoría del mundo, la fiesta de Epifanía de hoy es el día más importante de la temporada navideña. Es el día en que muchas personas intercambian regalos e imitan a los sabios que le dieron regalos a Jesús. Hoy el Señor nos llama para ofrecernos nosotros mismos a Jesús como presentes, postrarnos ante Él y rendirle homenaje (Mt 2:11). Al igual que los hombres sabios, deberíamos expresar nuestra entrega total a Jesús dándole algo, un regalo que representaría todo lo nuestro. Algunos de nosotros deberíamos darle a Jesús oro. Deberíamos dar dinero a la obra de Dios, en la medida en que nuestro estilo de vida se vea significativamente afectado. Otros deberían dar incienso. En la Biblia, nuestra oración está representada por el incienso (Sal 141:2). Deberíamos comprometernos a un tiempo de oración y ayuno, que en efecto estará dando nuestras vidas al Señor. Finalmente, debemos darle al Señor mirra. La mirra está asociada con la muerte, ya que es un perfume utilizado para preparar un cuerpo muerto para su entierro. Deberíamos dar un regalo que nos obligaría a morir a nosotros mismos. En esta gran fiesta de la Epifanía, seamos lo suficientemente sabios como para darle todo a Jesús.

**Oración:** Jesús, en esta temporada cuando celebramos Tu cumpleaños, te entrego mi vida para siempre.

**Promesa:** “¡Levántate, resplandece, porque llega tu luz y la gloria del Señor brilla sobre ti!” (Is 60:1)

**Alabanza:** “Al oír esto, los paganos, llenos de alegría, alabaron la Palabra de Dios, y todos los que estaban destinados a la vida eterna abrazaron la fe” (Hch 13:48). ¡Alabado sea Jesús, rey del universo!

# **La Epifanía de Nuestro Señor**

## **Enero 2, 2022**

Queridos feligreses,

¡Los magos finalmente han llegado al pesebre! Como habrás notado en la última semana en la iglesia, los tres reyes se han acercado cada vez más al pesebre. Hoy, cuando celebramos **la Fiesta de la Epifanía** (que significa "manifestación"), su viaje terminó cuando fueron conducidos por la estrella a donde estaban José y María con su hijo recién nacido. Los magos de Oriente tuvieron una "epifanía" cuando Jesús les fue "manifestado". Llegaron al pesebre con sus tres regalos de incienso, oro y mirra para el Niño Jesús. El oro representaba la Divinidad de Jesús, el incienso representaba el reinado de Jesús, y la mirra representaba la humanidad de Jesús. **Hay mucho que contemplar en esta Fiesta de la Epifanía**, mientras continuamos celebrando el Nacimiento de nuestro Señor. *En primer lugar, contemplamos el hecho de que todavía estamos en un viaje de regreso a nuestro Padre Celestial.* Incluso los Magos todavía estaban en un viaje después de la reunión inicial con el Niño Jesús. Diariamente, tenían que renovar su relación con Él, tal como lo debemos hacer todos los días, hasta que finalmente lleguemos a casa. *En segundo lugar, en esta Fiesta de la Epifanía, contemplamos el hecho de que Jesús es el Salvador para todos.* Cuando se manifestó a los Magos, que eran Gentiles, el Señor mostró que la salvación es un regalo para cualquiera que realmente acepte a Jesús en sus vidas, lo que sucede a través de los Sacramentos de nuestra Iglesia Católica. *Finalmente, en esta Fiesta de la Epifanía, contemplamos esos tres dones que los Magos trajeron ante el Señor.* Traemos al Señor nuestros tres dones de "tiempo, talento y tesoro", mientras lo adoramos como comunidad parroquial. Espiritual, física y financieramente, podemos mostrar nuestro amor por Dios y los demás. Que sigamos acercándonos a Jesús, nuestro Rey recién nacido, a medida que comenzamos este año nuevo de 2022. ¡Dios les bendiga! Padre Sístare

**Nota: Me gustaría aprovechar esta oportunidad para agradecer a todos los que me dieron tarjetas de Navidad, regalos, postres deliciosos y otros buenos deseos. Un agradecimiento especial a aquellos que ayudaron a preparar la iglesia de manera tan hermosa para la temporada navideña.**

### **Epifanía Bendición del Hogar**

Ha sido una tradición en la Iglesia Católica bendecir la tiza en las Misas para la Epifanía, y luego usar la tiza bendita como parte de la bendición del hogar en el Año Nuevo. La bendición del hogar se puede hacer de la siguiente manera: Use la tiza bendecida para escribir 20 + C + M + B + 22 sobre las puertas. 2022 para el año; C, M, B para los Reyes Magos (Casper, Melchior y Balthasar) y para "Christus Mansionem Benedicat", en latín para "Que Cristo bendiga esta casa". Mientras escribe, ore la siguiente oración: *"Que todos los que vengan a nuestro hogar este año se regocijen al encontrar a Cristo viviendo entre nosotros; y que busquemos y sirvamos, en todos los que encontramos, ese mismo Jesús que es Señor, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén."*

### **INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS**

<b>Sábado 1 de Enero</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
+Eterno descanso de Hernán Barrios, intención de su familia	
*En acción de gracias por la vida de Kathleen Muriel en sus cumpleaños, intención de su familia	
<b>Domingo 2 de Enero</b>	<b>11:30am</b>
<b>Martes 4 de Enero</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
*En acción de gracias por la vida de Vanesa Zuleta-Golberg en sus cumpleaños, intención de su familia	
<b>Viernes 7 de Enero</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
+Almas del Purgatorio, intención de Margarita	
<b>Sábado 8 de Enero (Bilingüe)</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
<b>Vigilia</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
+Eterno descanso de María Durango, intención de su familia	
<b>Domingo 9 de Enero</b>	<b>11:30am</b>

### **Lámpara del Santuario en Enero**

En acción de gracias a Jesús Sacramentado, intención de la Familia Lopez-Monzon

12/26	Colecta Semanal	\$2415.00
12/25	Navidad	\$2385.00
<b><u>Segunda Colecta Enero</u></b>		
1/2	Calefacción/Mantenimiento	
1/16	Universidad Católica	
1/30	Iglesia de Latinoamérica	

### **PEDIMOS SUS ORACIONES**

Por todos los que están confinados en su hogar o en acilo de ancianos, especialmente por nuestros feligreses: **Jeanne Jugan Residence:** Florence Corneau, Jeannine Rondeau, Annette Tetreault, Lillianne Depot **At Home:** Jovina de Barros **St. Antoine:** Georgette Smith **Elmhurst:** Cesar Zuleta

### **Calendario Formación de Fe**

**No Clases Enero 2**

**Si hay clases**

**Enero 9, 16, 23 y 30**

**Hora: 10:15am a 11:20am**



Nuestra Parroquia San Juan Bautista nos invita a participar de este curso Introducción a la Biblia. Nuestro objetivo es empezar un proceso de conocimiento, experiencias aprendizaje y enseñanza de la palabra de Dios. Puedes inscribirte después de las Misas con la Hermana Neri.

### **Misa a la Virgen de la Altagracia en la Catedral**

El Viernes 21 de Enero 7:00 pm: se llevará a cabo una Misa a la Virgen de la Altagracia, Madre Espiritual del pueblo Dominicano a las 7:00 am en la Catedral de San Pedro y San Pablo. El celebrante será Monseñor Jose Dolores Grullón Estrella, Obispo Emérito de la Diócesis de San Juan de la Maguana en la República Dominicana. Habrán confesiones y rezo del Rosario a partir de la 5:00 pm. Organiza el Comité Señora de la Altagracia de Rhode Island. Contacto: 401-368-6955 y 401-781-448

### **Viaje anual en autobús a la Marcha por la Vida en Washington, DC 20-22 de Enero**

Es necesario registrarse con anticipación, el espacio es limitado. Itinerario básico: Jueves noche, 20 de enero - el autobús sale de RI a DC, Viernes 21 de Enero - Misa, reunión y marcha en DC Temprano en la mañana, Sábado 22 de Enero - regreso a RI. Comuníquese con 401-278-2518, LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org para registrarse y para obtener todos los detalles. Se anima a los grupos a registrarse lo antes posible.



Es un programa financiado por Caridades Católicas de la Diócesis de Providence e individuos generosos. ¿Quién es elegible para la asistencia Keep the Heat On? Los solicitantes deben haber agotado otras ayudas o no ser elegibles para cualquier otra asistencia de calefacción estatal, federal o privada. Se requiere prueba de inelegibilidad a través de documentación escrita o verificación por teléfono con la agencia local. Se pueden hacer excepciones en determinadas circunstancias. Se anima a presentar la solicitud a cualquier persona que experimente dificultades financieras en relación con su factura de servicios públicos. ¿Cómo me inscribo? Consulte la lista de verificación (que puede encontrar haciendo clic aquí) y luego llame al 401-421-7833, ext. 207 para comenzar el proceso de solicitud. Luego se programa una cita en la que los solicitantes deben mostrar prueba de no elegibilidad para otros programas de asistencia de calefacción. Se pueden hacer arreglos especiales para los que están enfermos o para los que están confinados a sus hogares. Se pueden contratar intérpretes para quienes hablan un inglés limitado. Para asistencia de emergencia, llame al 401-421-7833, ext. 207.

# The Kids' Bulletin

Mary the Mother of God: January 1st, 2022  
&  
Feast of the Epiphany: January 2 or 6, 2022

## THE EPIPHANY

At the beginning of the new year we celebrate both Mary, the Mother of God and the Epiphany, which is when the wise men came from far away to worship baby Jesus.



Imagine that you are living a long time ago in Bethlehem and your parents have invited a poor family to stay at your house: a mother, a father, and a new baby.

One day something amazing happens. Some rich men from a far away country come to see the baby and bring expensive treasures for him! Do you know who the family is now? Who is the baby?

The baby is Jesus, of course, and the mother is Mary. She holds Jesus on her lap so the wise men can bow down to Him and worship Him. Mary cooperated with God to bring Jesus into the world so that we could all see and love and worship Him.



Answers to True or False: 1. false 2. false 3. true 4. true 5. true 6. true 7. false

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The feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord is a special part of the Christmas season! What are we celebrating on this feast?

Connect the dots to find out!

## Saint John Neumann January 5

<p>JOHN NEUMANN WAS BORN IN BOHEMIA IN 1811. HE STUDIED FOR THE PRIESTHOOD BUT THE BISHOP WOULD NOT ORDAIN HIM BECAUSE THEY HAD SO MANY PRIESTS!</p> <p><i>I'm sorry! All the parishes have enough priests.</i></p>	<p>SO JOHN WAS ORDAINED IN NEW YORK WHERE ONLY 36 PRIESTS HAD TO LOOK AFTER 200,000 CATHOLICS!</p> <p><i>There will be much work for all of you.</i></p>
<p>FR. JOHN WORKED IN A COUNTRY CHURCH THAT HAD A DIRT FLOOR AND NO STEEPLE.</p> <p><i>We can't afford to build it better!</i></p>	<p>It takes us two hours to get there. Can you come to our house next?</p> <p>HE TRAVELED FROM VILLAGE TO VILLAGE, OFFERING MASS IN PEOPLE'S HOUSES.</p>
<p>AT AGE 41 JOHN WAS CHOSEN TO BE BISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA. HE STARTED 100 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.</p> <p><i>The children need an education!</i></p>	<p>ONCE WHEN VISITING ONE OF HIS PARISHES, BISHOP JOHN HAD TO TAKE A RIDE ON A MANURE WAGON!</p>
<p>Your excellency, could you hear my friend's confession in french?</p> <p><i>Sure!</i></p> <p>ST. JOHN WAS ABLE TO HELP PEOPLE WHO CAME FROM ALL OVER EUROPE BECAUSE HE COULD SPEAK MANY LANGUAGES. HE ALSO TAUGHT BY WRITING IN NEWSPAPERS.</p>	

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN WORKED TIRELESSLY TO HELP THE POOR PEOPLE WHO WERE SETTLING IN AMERICA. HE DID NOT LET HIS OWN POVERTY SLOW HIM DOWN. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIS EXAMPLE TO USE OUR TALENTS TO BRING GOD TO THE WORLD NO MATTER HOW MUCH OR HOW LITTLE WE HAVE.

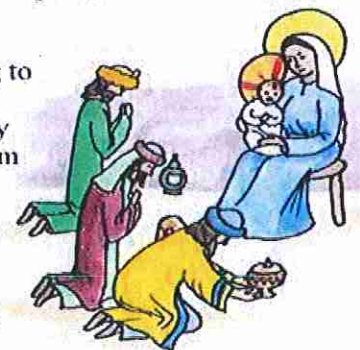
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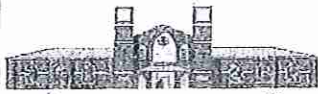
## Epiphany: True or False?

How well do you know the story of the wise men? Which of these are true and which are false?



1. Wise men came from the West to find the Baby Jesus. True or false?
2. The wise men went and asked King Caesar where the Messiah would be born. True or false?
3. The king told them to come back and tell him where the Baby was once they had found Him so that he could go and worship Him. True or false?
4. When the wise men found the Child and His mother they bowed down and gave Him gifts. True or false?
5. The gifts they gave were gold, frankincense and myrrh. True or false?
6. When they were going to go back and tell the king where the Baby was, they had a dream that told them not to. True or false?
7. The wise men went back to their land by the same road that they had come. True or false?





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