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The Epiphany of the Lord

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: To be gifted means that we accept enrichment from unexpected sources

Reading 2: St Paul said that God's reign is widespread, even universal

Gospel: The visit of the Magi to the new born Messiah

Theme: All people of good will find their way to the Lord

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat.	7	5:00 p.m.	SH	Raymond Schmidt	The Epiphany of the Lord
Sun	8	8:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners	The Epiphany of the Lord
Sun	8	10:30 a.m.	ML	David Rausch ☩	The Epiphany of the Lord
Tue	10	9:00 a.m.	ML	Art & Omaha Tatera ☩	
Wed	11	8:30 a.m.	SH	Agnes Eck ☩	
Thur.	12	8:30 a.m.	KW	Ernie & Connie Hoch ☩	
Fri,	13	9:00 a.m.	ML	Albert Blahut ☩	
Sat.	14	5:00 p.m.	SH	John Dohm	Second Sun. in Ordinary Time
Sun	15	8:30 a.m.	KW	Virgil & Allen Dean Unrein ☩	Second Sun. in Ordinary Time
Sun	15	10:30 a.m.	ML	Parishioners	Second Sun. in Ordinary Time

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 14/15 – 3rd Sunday

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SHARON 5:00 p.m.	KIOWA 8:30 a.m.	Medicine Lodge 10:30 a.m.
Marilyn Traffas	Lou Leone	Judd Dohrman
Choir	Choir	Mike Rogers
Sandy Ricke	Danny Archuleta	John Hagood
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Scott Dohm Heather Rankin Sandy Ricke Doug Schmidt Eileen Schmidt	Marlene K Rich Hitchcock Cindy Summers	Julie Thompson Barbara Hagood Susan Ricke Jerome Ricke Kathleen Pennok
Rachel Fischer Jacob Eck Brandon Fischer	Takira Blick	Karlyle Alojacin Jhayla Alojacin
Ruth/Kathy	Donita Ragan	Ruth Schmidt Kathy Dohm
	Archuleta Family	Roger/Twila Angell
John Dohm	Bev Miller	
Shirley Ditgen		Jerome Ricke
	Jim Pulliam/Carl Helfrich	

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 21/22 – 4th Sunday

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

	SHARON 5:00 p.m.	KIOWA 8:30 a.m.	Medicine Lodge 10:30 a.m.
Lector	Carol Ricke	Londa Fischer	Kay Koger
CANTOR	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector	Daryl Eck	Steve Roberts	Daryl Honas
GEN INT	Rachel Fischer	Steve Roberts	Loretta Boor
OEM	Daryl Eck Margie Eck Anne Schreiner Todd Fischer Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Charlotte Ringer Cheri Dohrman Chad Boyce
SERVERS	Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Jace Cox	Baily Roberts	Derrek Randels Emma Randels
MUSIC	Ruth/Kathy	Donita Ragan	Ruth Schmidt Kathy Dohm
GREETER		Roberts Family	Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
ROSARY			Charlotte Ringer
Collection		Bill Bogner/Jim Pulliam	

Reflection: The Feast of the **Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ** is one of the oldest Christian feasts. *Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal." This is our feast -- the celebration of Jesus made manifest **to the Gentiles** as represented by the three magi, showing that the Gentiles (**we who are not Jews**) are coheirs with the Jews in God's promises. The "epiphany" of Jesus, his revelation to the world, was accompanied by the offering of three gifts, each symbolizing a different aspect of the divine/human savior:

Frankincense-- offered to **Jesus, Son of God, the eternal Word of the Father** who is worshiped with the Father and the Spirit.

Gold -- offered to **Jesus the King of the human race**, the summit of creation.

Myrrh-- offered to the **divine/human savior of the world** who suffered and died for the salvation of all.

Jesus is revealed in our own day:

a) Revealed as the **Word of God** speaking to us in the marvelous workings of nature, in the achievements of the human spirit, & in the dialogue between Church & world.
b) Revealed to us as **King** in every victory over ignorance, alienation and powerlessness.

c) Revealed to us as **Suffering Messiah** in the heart and face of every poor person, every stranger, every wanderer living in a back alley or under a bridge, every person victimized by others.

"His glory has shone among us." We have only to recognize him and to do what the magi did in his presence: "They prostrated themselves and did him homage."

Prayer Intentions for the Sick and Shut-Ins: Alice Burenheide, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Elizabeth Terry, Lori (Hughes) Wilcox, Gary Noland, Raymond Schmidt, Pete Swingle, Daniel Traffas, Danny and Cindy Archuleta
Prayer Intentions: for the members of our parish family who are serving our country in the armed forces.

For the Faithful Departed: Dennis Hammersmith, Dwayne Kruckenberg, Luke Hendricks, Agnes Paulie, Fern Beckerman, Omaha Tatera, Agnes Eck, Larry Traffas, William (Bill) Hitchcock, John Ditgen, Dave Rausch, Albert Blahut, Richard Jaso, Gene Garrett, Max Rynerson, Floyd Spade, Elizabeth Schreiner and the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace, Amen

Parish News:

Website Sponsorships Available!

- In the weeks ahead, our parish representative from Solutio, Inc., will be setting up the advertising for our website for the year.
- Please consider participating in this effort since the revenue from the ads is what makes the website possible at **no cost** to the parish.
- It's a great way to get your name in front of the families in the parish. Advertisements may be purchased for a business, family memorial, or you can sponsor an ad supporting Catholic Charities, Knights of Columbus, Vocations, etc.

- Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help! If you are interested or just curious as to prices and want more information: 620.765.4361 or Sponsorship@SolutioSoftware.com.

ST. BONIFACE ALTAR SOCIETY meeting, Monday, Jan. 9 @ 6:30 p.m. Roll call: New Year's resolution. Hostesses are Marilyn Traffas and Karin Traffas.

St Boniface Council: Meeting, Tues., Jan. 10, 7:00 p.m.

VOCATION VIEWS: Look about you! Can you see the glory of God? Open your heart to receive the gifts God is offering you. (*Isaiah 60:1-6*). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org

PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION: THEO 2023 Theology of the Church 3 hour course Jan 21, 28, Feb 4, 11, 18, 25 Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 Instructor: Trish Keller.

THEO 4881 Music and Liturgy 1 hour course Jan 25, Feb 1, 8, 15 Instructors: Gerard Chiusano, Fr Frank Cody, Fr Bob Schremmer. **Register:** Contact cstein@dcdiocese.org

Parish School of Religion:

Holy Rosary: Class: January 11

St John the Apostle: Class- January 8

St Boniface: (Teachers meet Jan 11) Students on January 18

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION at St John the Apostle: Bishop Brungardt will confer this sacrament on Takira Blick, Allie Hoch, and Nick Malone, Saturday, January 21, 10:00 a.m. These students will make a retreat in preparation next Sunday, January 15. We continue to remember them in prayer.

Why Communion from Hosts Consecrated at Mass:

The Mass is made up of the Liturgy of the Word in which we hear the Scriptures and respond to them through the homily and intercessions, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This second section is not simply when we share Communion. We must first bring to the altar the bread and wine to be consecrated and our offering for the poor. In this simple presentation of gifts, we see one way the Eucharist is a sacrifice. We imitate Jesus, who gave his very life for others, by giving ourselves through the sacrifice of the earth and the work of our hands, that formed wheat into bread, grape into wine, and labor into care for those in need. We unite with the priest who speaks the Eucharistic Prayer in the name of the community. (*The entire congregation should join itself with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and the offering of Sacrifice.*)

The culmination of Christ's sacrifice of praise is our sharing in his Body and Blood. In the same way that Christ's sacrifice of his very body is preceded by a life lived as an offering of praise to the Father, so too do we precede Communion with the sacrifice of our lives and our offering of praise to God. Through the Eucharistic Prayer, the bread and wine we place on the altar is intimately connected to the Body and Blood of Christ we received from the same altar. Thus, it is most desirable that the faithful, just as the priest himself is bound to do, receive the Lord's Body from the hosts consecrated at the same Mass...so that even by means of the signs Communion will stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated.