

# Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church

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### EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - 2 JANUARY 2022

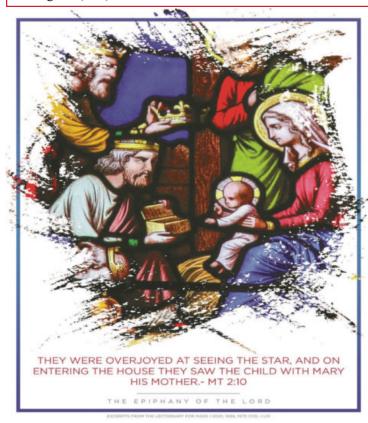
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Emergency Pastoral Care Hot Line: Please call (210) 370-7838. Emergency calls only including last rites, anointing, and imminent death. For anything else please call the number below.

**Sacraments for the Homebound:** Please call and leave message at (210) 695-2944 ext 126.



# READINGS & INTENTIONS

Sun, Jan 2, Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6 / Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 / Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Matthew 2:1-12 DWSM: Propers & Readings: p. 123, Order of the Mass: pp. 663-706

5 p.m. Amelia Essquivel, Departed 7 a.m. Sean Markey, Departed 9 a.m. Jesse Thordburg, Departed 11 a.m. Intention for the People of the Parish 5 p.m. Sean Markey, Departed

Mon, Jan 3, The Most Holy Name of Jesus 1 John 3:22-4:6 / Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 7 a.m. All Souls In Purgatory

Tue, Jan 4, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
1 John 4:7-10 / Mark 6:34-44
7 a.m. Intention for Grace Howard

Wed, Jan 5, St. John Neumann, Bishop 1 John 4:11-18 / Mark 6:45-52 7 a.m. Intention for JoAnn Lewis

Thu, Jan 6, St. Andre Bessette, Religious 1 John 4:19-5:4 / Luke 4:14-22a 7 a.m. Sean Markey, Departed

Fri, Jan 7, St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest 1 John 5:5-13 / Luke 5:12-16
7 a.m.. Intention for Ray Bennett

Sat, Jan 8, Chirstmastide Feria 1 John 5:14-21 / John 3:22-30 7 a.m. Mass for God's Children

*Vigil Mass - Baptism of the Lord* 5 p.m. Hector Hernandez, Jr., Departed





Saturday 5 p.m. Vigil Mass (Read Mass)

Sunday 7 a.m. (Read Mass) 9 a.m. (Solemn Mass) 11 a.m. (Solemn Mass) 5 p.m. (Read Mass)

Monday through Saturday 7 a.m. (Read Mass)



**Sunday** 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Wednesday 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday** 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

# PARISH DEVOTIONS

#### PLEASE JOIN US!

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Sacred Heart Chapel Friday 7:45 a.m. to Sunday 6:15 a.m.

**Parish Family Adoration Hour** 

First Wednesday of the month—7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament** 

First Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass

**Morning and Evening Prayer** 

Mon—Sun, 6:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.

**Parish Rosary** 

Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass

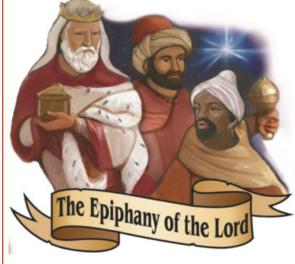
# REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Brothers & Sisters, We ask that you keep the following members in your prayers.

- > Bishop Lopes
- > The Parish Staff
- > The Academy Teachers & Staff
- > Our Priests & Deacons
- > Unborn Children
- > People of the Parish
- > First Responders

If you would like to add someone to this list, please send an email, with that person's full name, to joliveros@atonementonline.com.

#### **Epiphany of the Lord**



The song "We Three Kings" details the gifts of the Magi, but do you know what you're singing?

"Born a king on Bethlehem's plan, gold I bring to crown Him again." This one is the most straightforward - gold symbolizes the Kingship of Christ.

"Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom." Myrrh is an embalming spice. Already at Christ's birth, we have the symbolic reminder of his death.

"Frankincense to offer have I. Incense owns a deity nigh." In many religious traditions, incense symbolizes prayers rising to heaven.

In some pagan traditions, it is thought to help "call down" the deity. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.



The end of 2021 is near! If you have not completed your 2021 stewardship pledge and would like to, here are some ways you can make your year-end contribution: Online giving, or mail a check to Attn: Business Office, Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, 15415 Red Robin Rd, San Antonio, TX 78255, or stop by the parish office for credit card donations. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sandra Alejo at the Parish Business Office or send email to salejo@ourladyoftheatonement.org.

# Gospel Meditation

The Epiphany of the Lord

**January 2, 2022** 

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Join us, on **Friday, January 7, 2022,** at our Main Sanctuary, immediately after the 7 a.m. Mass, for a Holy Hour of Prayer responding to our Lord's call to set aside First Fridays as a special day of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will pray for the cleansing and purification of our Church; for our Pope, bishops, and priests. Contact Bill Vogt at (913) 061-2981.



Join us on **Sunday, January 9th, 2022, at 4 p.m.** for Solemn Evensong, the sung order of Evening Prayer. All our parish choirs, as well as the Chamber Choir from the Atonement Catholic Academy, will rotate through providing music for Evensong. The choir this day will be the Parish Adult Choir. Our next scheduled Solemn Choral Evensong will be on Sunday, February 6th, 2022.

If you would like to join one of our choirs, please send email to the Director of Music at music@ourladyoftheatonement.org.



Registrations for Baseball, Softball, and Track will open on **January 23, 2022**, with practices beginning on February 21st and first regular season games starting on March 25th. As always, if you are interested in coaching any of these sports, you must be certified by the Archdiocese of San Antonio AND the Ordinariate. Please visit our parish website for additional information or send email to cyopresident@atonementonline.com or cyoregistrar@atonementonline.com



Catholic Men's Conference is coming to San Antonio on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at St. Matthew's Athletic Center, 10703 Wurzback Rd., San Antonio, TX 78230.

Guest speakers will be The Most Reverend Gary Janak, Auxiliary Bishop, San Antonio; John Sablan, Co-founder and President of World Ablaze; and Mark Houck, Founder and President of The King's Men. You are invited to attend morning Mass at 8:15 a.m. at St. Matthew's Church before beginning your Catholic Men's Conference experience.

For more information visit pilgrimcenterofhope.org





#### The Atonement Catholic Academy

is accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year! If you would like to schedule a tour or would like more information, please contact Mrs. Yolanda Joiner, Admissions Director, via email at yjoiner@atonementonline.com.





#### The Atonement Catholic Academy

The Admission Office invites you to come tour our school!

Please contact Mrs. Yolanda Joine yjoiner@atonementonline.com to schedule a tour

Reverend Mark W. Lewis, Pastor

Mr. Matthew D. Watson, Head of School

#### The Atonement Catholic Academy

strives for excellence in the physical, the intellectual, and the spiritual virtues through a challenging course of classical and Catholic education.

It provides an accredited classical education and unparalleled Catholic culture to boys and girls in an environment that inspires development of both faith and reason.

Contact us at (210) 695-2240, stop by, or send email to yjoiner@atonementonline.com.

# Did you know?

The Atonement Catholic Academy was named the #1 Catholic High School in the San Antonio area for 2022 according to niche.com, the market leader in connecting colleges and schools with students and families.





Interested in learning more about our PreK-12th grade school? Email or call Director of Admissions Yolanda Joiner: yjoiner@atonementonline.com 210-695-2240



# Catholic Education



**The Atonement Catholic Academy** has several current and upcoming teaching positions open. Please visit our website at theatonementacademy.org for specific positions and requirements.

To apply for any of these positions, please send your resume, with a cover letter and supporting documentation, as stated in job description to Mrs. Amanda Stevens at astevens@atonementonline.com.



#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Catherine School, Email: schoolcat@att.net or call (210) 275-5104

#### **Adult Inquiry Class**

Alan Becker-Email: alanmbecker@gmail.com, (210) 273-9426

#### **American Heritage Girls**

Veronica Tovar, AHG Coordinator, or Catherine Henriquez, AHG Vice Coordinator Email: ahgtroop0814@gmail.com, (210) 695-2240 ext. 109

#### **Atonement Moms Group**

https://OurLadyofAtonement.flocknote/AtonementMoms

#### **Culture of Life Ministry**

Phil Sevilla-Email: philsevilla@att.net, (210) 784-0518

### **Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Athletics**

Send email to cyopresident@atonementonline.com

#### **Educating on Nature & Dignity of Women (ENDOW)**

Glorian Roman-Ashby-Email: EndowatAtonement@gmail.com

### Fr. Paul of Graymoor Knights of Columbus Council #16730

Grand Knight Phil Tait, (210) 382-7842

### **Fulton Sheen Catechism**

Thomas Dum, (361) 571-5541

#### God's Comfort in Loss (after miscarriage)

Marcela Elsner, Renee Keller, & Claire Jenkins Send email to Godscomfortinloss@gmail.com

#### **Nonnatus New Moms Ministry**

Rebecca Gisla – Email: nonnatus meals@gmail.com, (210) 278-4242

#### **Rosary Guild**

Catherine School-Email: schoolcat@att.net, (210) 275-5104 Grace Howard, (210) 887-8562

#### Sacraments for the Homebound

Please call & leave a message, (210) 695-2944 ext. 126

#### St. Cuthbert Home Visitation Ministry

Dr. Jesus Garcia Gallegos-Email: jgarcia.gallegos@gmail.com, (210) 993-2127

### St. Joseph the Worker Prayer Group

Bill Vogt, (913) 961-2981

### St. Stephen's Guild for Altar Servers, Ushers, & Greeters

John Weems-Email: jweems@atonementonline.com

# St. Vincent de Paul Society

(210) 695-2944 ext.160

#### The Altar Guild

Jessica Coleman, (210) 479-5863

#### The Troops of St. George

Robert Wallace—tsg815.org

#### **Women of Grace**

Diana Marie Salsman, (210) 865-5627

Volunteers needed. Contact the ministry or organization directly.

# MEET OUR STAFF

<u>Parish Office Hours are</u> <u>Monday through Friday</u> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., (210) 695-2944

#### **Parish Administrator**

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#### **Director of Music**

Alejandro Oliveros Email: music@ourladyoftheatonement.org (210) 695-2240 ext.153

#### **Pastoral Council**

Terri Garza, Ray Slush, Thomas Dum, Joseph McDonough, John Weems, Ademola Elliotte, & Clare McDonough Email: parishcouncil@atonementonline.com

# Tinancial Support

We continue to be grateful to those of you who have so generously contributed to our Parish. Your sacrifice and support have enabled us to remain financially sound during these difficult & uncertain times.

Have you considered simplifying your giving through our online giving portal? You can automatically send your tithe from your checking account or debit/credit card – just as you may do now with your bills. You can enroll by going to the offertory link on our website at ourladyoftheatonement.org. You can continue to

support us in the following ways:

<u>Online Giving</u>-Go to our website and click on the "Offertory" link, select "Offertory Collections" in the fund box, and then fill in the amount of your tithe. Please consider making your tithe recurring.

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