

Readings and Mass Intentions

SUN, JAN. 3 - Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

8:00 a.m. Mass Sean and Justyna
Laska & Family

10:30 a.m. Mass Tommy and Carol
Forde & Family

MON, JAN. 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

TUE, JAN. 5 - St. John Neumann
1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

WED, JAN. 6 - St. André Bessette
1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
9:00 a.m. Mass Wanda Taylor+

THU, JAN. 7 - St. Raymond of Peñafort
1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/
Lk 4:14-22

9:00 a.m. Mass Adam Oster+

FRI, JAN. 8 - St. Angela of Foligno
1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/
Lk 5:12-11

9:00 a.m. Mass

SAT, JAN. 9 - St. Adrian of Canterbury
1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/
Jn 3:22-30

5:30 p.m. Mass Bill and Patricia
Devlin & Family

Blessed Among Us

St. Genevieve Torres Morales Founder (1870-1956)

Genevieve Torres Morales, who was born in eastern Spain, survived a quite terrible childhood: the loss of her parents when she was eight; having to quit school to work and help support her brother; at thirteen, as a result of a gangrenous tumor, enduring the amputation—without anesthetic—of her leg, with the result that she walked on crutches and suffered recurrent pain for the rest of her life. This disability thwarted her desire to enter the Carmelites.

Nevertheless, her own sufferings opened her to the needs of others. With two other women, with whom she shared a house in

Valencia, she began to take in homeless women. This work of mercy was encouraged by her spiritual director, and by 1911 it had become a full-time occupation. Other women began to arrive—some to help, others in need—and Genevieve was moved to form the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Holy Angels. The sisters, who initially took private vows, were known as Angélicas.

The growing congregation, devoted to helping poor, homeless, and abandoned women, received papal recognition in 1953. Genevieve, the first mother superior, died on January 5, 1956. She was canonized in 2003 by Pope John Paul II, who described her as “an instrument of God’s tender love for lonely people in need of love, comfort, and physical and spiritual care.”

“Self-love is horrible, for it conceals itself in the tissues of our heart under the seductive guise of well-being.”—St. Genevieve Torres Morales



HOLY REDEEMER'S PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

Please continue to remember and pray for all those listed in the prayer intention book and those listed below.

Remember in Prayer

Amy Ortega, Marc Pierel,
Mary Mathieson

Returning our Treasure in Thanksgiving

Financial Information thru the week of
December 26th and December 27th:

Weekly Need: \$11,350.00

*(Offering totals and attendance not
available at time of print)*

Church Debt Loan Balance: . \$347,458.45

Property Loan Balance: \$436,438.60
(as of 10/20/15)

Thank You.....
We appreciate
your support of
the annual Angel Wings
program.

Due to your
generosity many children
had a blessed
Christmas morning.

POINSETTIAS

Thank you to those who made a donation for the poinsettias and Christmas décor in memory of a loved one.

Marie & Angelo Parascandola+

Ethel & Joseph Stewart+

From: Barbara Anderson

*Lauren, James, Ellen, Emily
and Anna Grace*

From: Norman & Betsy Kaminsky



Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for the Year of Mercy

Universal: That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.

Evangelization: That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of faith and hope.

DIocese NEWS

30TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL MASS

Bishop Michael Olson, Homilist
 Friday, January 8, 2016
 St. Bartholomew Catholic Church
 3601 Alta Mesa Blvd, Fort Worth, TX 76133
 Time: 7:00 p.m.
 Reception will follow after Mass

MAGNIFICAT

A Ministry to Catholic Women welcomes International speaker Dr. Elizabeth Kim on SAT. JAN 9, 2016 from 9 am to 12 Noon at the Hilton Garden Inn, Lewisville. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope with check for \$20 made out to Magnificat-Grapevine Chapter. Mail to: Chris Delmolino, 4209 Brookhollow Drive, Colleyville, TX 76034 Questions: Call Chris at 817-925-4542. Cutoff date for tickets is Jan 7, 2016.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta to be made saint in September – Vatican

Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the Nobel laureate known for dedicating her life to helping the poorest of the poor, will be made a saint of the Roman Catholic Church, the Vatican said.

Pope Francis has cleared the way for sainthood by approving a decree recognizing a second miracle attributed to her intercession with God – a necessary event for such a move in the church.

Mother Teresa, who died in 1997 at the age of 87, became an international icon of charity in the 20th century but has also been criticized for trying to convert people to Christianity.

She was beatified in 2003 by the late Pope John Paul II. Beatification, which requires one miracle, is the last step before sainthood, which requires two.

The church believes saints are holy men and women who lived extraordinary lives of virtue and are believed to be in Heaven with God.

Francis, who has made concern for the poor a major plank of his papacy, was keen to make Mother Teresa a saint during the Church's current Holy Year, or Jubilee, in which Catholics are called to emphasize the need for mercy and compassion in the world.

Mother Teresa's second miracle involved the inexplicable healing of a Brazilian man who was suffering from a viral brain infection that resulted in multiple abscesses with hydrocephalus, according to the Church officials.

Relatives prayed to Mother Teresa and he recovered, leaving his doctors at a loss to explain how. A Vatican medical commission deemed the sudden recovery "inexplicable in the light of present-day medical knowledge," according to Father Brian Kolodiejchuk, the chief promoter of the sainthood cause.

"CHRISTMAS GIFT"

In Calcutta, Sunita Kumar, spokeswoman for Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity religious order said the nuns were "over the moon" when they got the news.

"We thought her whole life was a miracle. Her whole life was dedicated to the poor and there was nothing else in her mind than service. Everyone was accepted and there was no obstruction in her work," she told Reuters.

Archbishop Thomas D'Souza of Calcutta told Reuters the news from Rome was "the best Christmas gift," adding, "Her entire life and work was for the poor. Now it is in a way officially recognized. We are grateful to God".

Known as the "saint of the gutters", the diminutive nun is expected to be canonized – formally made a saint – in early September.

Mother Teresa was born Anjezë Gonxhe Bojaxhiu of Albanian parents in Macedonia in 1910.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 3: Adoration for Vocations
9:00 AM
- Jan. 2: EOM Meeting 6:35 PM
- Jan. 3: EOM Meeting
9:05 AM & 11:35 AM
- Jan. 3: No Faith Formation Classes
- Jan. 3: TEAMS Meeting 11:45 AM
- Jan. 4: Boy Scouts 7:00 PM
- Jan. 5: Men's Group Meeting 6:30 PM
- Jan. 6: No Youth Group
- Jan. 7: 33 Days to Morning Glory
6:30 PM
- Jan. 10: Children/Youth Faith
Formation 9:05 AM-10:15 AM

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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ARE CALLED TO SERVE:

SAT, JAN. 9 • 5:30 PM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS

PS — Michaela Mott

PS — Katrina Mott

READERS

Shawn Parks

Barbara Gosnell

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

USHERS

SOUND

Dave Vandercook

SUN, JAN. 10 • 8:00 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS

PS — Luke Slabbekoorn

PS — Scott Tudor

READERS

Donna Stockman

David Stockman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

USHERS

SOUND

Robert Speer

SUN, JAN. 10 • 10:30 AM MASS

ALTAR SERVERS

PS — Olivia Caggiano

PS — Clayton Crawford

READERS

Ken Mican

Chester White

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Noah Murphey