

## January 2, 2022

# Epiphany of the Lord

Collection December 26, 2021		
Collection	\$ 951.00	
Flowers	\$ 50.00	
Christmas	\$ 150.00	
Attendance	24	

### January 9, 2022

Lector: Chad Owen Commentator: Madelyn Owen Ushers: Hathaway/Stanley

### Readings for January 9, 2022

Reading 1:	Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Reading 2:	Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Gospel:	Luke: 3:15-16, 21-22

**Information about St. Edward**- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at: <u>https://stedwardpulaski.org</u>

<u>Donations-</u>, please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301, if you are not attending Mass.

<u>Prayer List</u> - Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Joan Jennings, Jody Riffey, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Megan Talbert, Bob Huttick, Rosanna Vallo, Mikey Malloy, Jerry Dalton, Gary Gibson, Wayne Trail, Scott Armentrout, Dan Hood, and Father Bernie. (Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

<u>Church Calendar</u>- Church calendars for 2022 are available on the table in the hall. Pick up one after Mass, or if you are still not attending Mass, please let us know and we will get one to you.

**<u>Reception</u>**- Mark your calendars for next Sunday January 9<sup>th,</sup> when we will be having a reception after Mass in honor of Richard Richardson. Richard is retiring after many years of service here at St. Edward's keeping everything clean and in order. To follow COVID guidelines we will be serving only cake, punch, nuts and mints, and everyone is asked to wear a mask. Plan to stay as we honor a very special individual.

### January Birthdays

Brenda Lessard	Jan. 1
Larry Riffey	Jan. 3
Jessi Williams	Jan. 8
Cora Wojciechouski	Jan. 18
Pam Choroco-Crowder	Jan 20

#### **January Anniversaries**

Alex & Fely Fernandez Jan. 4 Bill & Jean Jennings Jan. 13

**Epiphany**- For those who thought that Christmas was over, Epiphany, celebrated on January 6, marks the final celebratory day of the Christian holiday season! The epiphany feast completes the season of Christmas by inviting us to discern the identity of the Christ child. Epiphany means hope and joyful revelation.

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## **Daily Prayer This Week**

This week is a time with two special Sundays book-ending the week. Both celebrations offer an "epiphany," an understanding and insight into the essence of who Jesus really is. When the Wise Men visit the poorest of families and find the baby Jesus, they have a clearer idea of what kind of king he will be.

At the Baptism of the Lord the following Sunday, Jesus is baptized and the skies open and the voice of God proclaims, "You are my beloved Son." More than just a prophet, this special relationship with God is made manifest in that moment.

How can we make this week a special one as the Christmas season draws to a close? In some parts of the world daylight is plentiful right now, but for many of us the days are short and the dark of night surrounds us many hours each day. This could be the week to reflect on that darkness and the light that Jesus brings into our hearts.

Each morning as our feet touch the floor next to our beds, we can open our hands briefly in the darkness and ask God to show us the light in our lives. Gratitude is a wonderful way to pray and to recognize the light we sometimes don't notice in our lives. Maybe in this final week of Christmas, we can light a candle at dinner and remember a special blessing we have been given or something we are grateful for in our lives.

### Dear Lord,

You came to your disciples when they felt alone on the stormy waters and comforted them with your presence. Be with me today and let my heart be touched by the love you so lavishly give to me. Let me remember to turn to you in my fears and darkness and know that you will heal me.

### **Christmas Flower Donation List 2021**

Donna Hathaway—in memory of Ron Hathaway

Marie Hager--in memory of Charles and Wally Hager, and Charles and Linda Hager

Norma & Ken Klima-in memory of deceased relatives

Terrie Hancock—in memory of Elena Casas and Stella Footer

Linda & Jack McCann—in memory of Betty Richardson, and deceased members of the Manning and McCann families

Mickey & John Balconi-in memory of deceased relatives

Tom Phillips—in memory of Warren P. Phillips and Phyllis Hogan Phillips

Richard Richardson—in memory of Betty Richardson

Dan and Debbie Grubb—in memory of William Canty, Ralph and Mozelle Grubb, Gregory Canty and other deceased family members

Mary & Cora Wojciechouski—in memory of the Wojciechouski and Denny families

Gabriella & Stan Stanley—in memory of deceased members of the Stanley, LoMascolo, and Perrino families, and in honor of our St. Edward's family

Wesley Young—in memory of Brenda Lee

"Getting vaccinated is an act of love "- Pope Francis