



St. Anthony of Padua

January 3, 2010

Epiphany of Our Lord

Dear Parishioners:

I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year and I hope that your Christmas was as wonderful and enjoyable as ours at St. Anthony's.

We are proud of the accomplishments we achieved together in 2009 and throughout our short three year history. As a parish, we have succeeded in accruing over half a million dollars toward our building fund. However, the outreach activities and your generosity in food and cash donations for the needy far outshine our monetary accomplishments.

Thanks to the intercession of St. Anthony and our patient endurance, the diocese has finally received a contract for our new office location. We will be working on renovations for the next three or four weeks. When these are completed you will be informed of the moving date and new address. Our staff has withstood the struggle during this long wait and they were able to operate and keep St. Anthony's business end of the parish up and going. Both you and I should be proud and thankful for their wonderful support during these difficult times.

We look forward to making progress with our building fund activities. The plans we had is to contact each of you via phone has been stymied by our being "homeless". As soon as we are settled in a more desirable environment we will trek forward in trying to increase our financial base for our future buildings.

I have a unique perspective on the accomplishment of the year ahead (despite any unforeseeable circumstances). You are a huge part of what is being accomplished. It is only by your untiring support that makes all of our efforts worthwhile. We truly thank you for your commitment. In appreciation, know that we, your clergy and staff, are committed too.

So as we look forward to 2010 and all that is to come, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy New Year, filled with plenty of blessings and love!

Yours in Christ,



Fr. Sam

Gospel Reflection

By Fr. Sam Falbo

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
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Celebrating the birth of Jesus gives us an opportunity to begin again – be born again – to be afforded with a new year to transform ourselves and the world we inhabit. Our scripture readings today mark the feast of the Epiphany, a word meaning “to show forth, manifest” and “the revealing of Jesus as Christ to the Gentiles in the persons of the Magi” and also “for a time of reflection. We are invited through the feast and its meaning to understand what it means to be a Catholic and what God seeks to reveal to us and through us.

The Eastern Church celebrated the feast of the Epiphany honoring the baptism of Jesus. Together, the feasts of Epiphany, Easter, and Pentecost brought together water and light as imagery representing new life. The Western church disassociated the baptism from the feast of the Epiphany, emphasizing instead the manifestation of the Good News to the Gentiles through the figure of the Magi.

Only weeks ago we experienced the shortest day of the year, and now the days begin to get longer giving us more light, more day comes with each new dawn. This season invites us towards the light so that we might see what it reveals. But it also inspires us to bring all our gifts, no matter how humble, to honor Jesus and all that Jesus stands for in our lives and the world.

A star both announces and guides the wise men as they travel to witness the birth of Jesus. They bring to him gifts that represent the best of what they can give; yet humbly are diminished in comparison to the great gift Jesus promises to be for the world.

Their encounter with Herod illuminates how fear can prevent us from seeing what might bring us closer to God and living out our call to be followers of our Savior. Of course we want to know what might prevent us from our call, but our other readings, and especially the Psalms, guide our path for understanding.

Jesus as a light to the world put the spotlight on injustices suffered by the poor and needy. Jesus gave us the hope for peace in abundance and a life free of violence, oppression, poverty and injustice. The writer of the Psalm described it as “rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.” Light is a symbol commonly used in ceremonies and liturgies to signify a light in God's world. But it can only shine brightly through us and our actions. Light makes things more visible, and our scripture reading demands that we acknowledge the needs of the poor and come out from the dark places that represent complacency and false peace.

The following prayer is attributed to St. Francis of Assisi: *"Most high, glorious God, enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me, Lord, a right faith, a certain hope, a perfect charity. Give me, Lord, wisdom and discernment, so that I may carry out your true and holy will. Amen."*

Rather than allowing fear to dampen our spirit or darken the day, we have an opportunity to see the light that is directing our path toward the promised kingdom, revealed to us when we see the face of Christ in each other. This new season in the church, along with the season of the year on God's earth, is an invitation to be a light in the world.

As we live into these seasons and recall our baptismal promise, may we arise and shine to see the glory of God and do what is needed. May they know us, as Christians, by our works.

St. Anthony of Padua Church



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday Masses are held at Centennial High School, 10200 Centennial Parkway, just west of Hualapai Way.

Mon-Fri: 8:30 a.m. Mass at the Parish Office, 5081 N. Rainbow Blvd., Suite 107.

Parish Office Info...

PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE PHONE

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8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Sacraments and Other Information...

SACRAMENTS

You must be a registered member of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in order for Fr. Sam or Fr. Gerry to administer the Sacraments of Matrimony, Baptism, and in unusual cases, Confirmation.

In addition, Fr. Sam is required to supply an affidavit of Catholicity for those seeking to be a witness or sponsor for the sacrament of Baptism or Confirmation at a parish other than St. Anthony's.

If you are a registered member of St. Anthony of Padua Fr. Sam may also give you permission to be baptized or married at another parish.

The traditional method of keeping the pastor informed that you are a practicing Catholic, a member of the parish, and of the proper age requirement is through records that are on file in the Parish Office. Registration and the consistent use of envelopes verifies that you are an active parishioner who frequently attends Mass and other services.

While your contributions are important and help support our parish, the amount of your

contribution does not influence the affidavit.

MASS INTENTIONS

Dates are available for mass intentions. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated, kindly complete one of the forms available in the Parish Office or in the lobby of Centennial High School. The customary mass offering is \$10.00. Sympathy and Mass Intentions cards are available in the Parish Office. **NOTE:** Policy change re. Mass Intentions. From now on, we will schedule up to three intentions per Mass.

BAPTISM

1st. Sunday of the Month:

Baptism between Masses at Centennial H.S.

2nd. Sunday of the Month:

Baptism Class at 9:00 a.m. at Centennial H.S.

3rd. Sunday of the Month:

Baptism between or during Masses at Centennial H.S. (until further notice) Please call (702) 399-6897 for more info.



CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard up until 5 minutes before the start of every weekend Mass.

AVAILABLE SERVICES

The sick or homebound who desire to receive the Sacraments can reserve a time with one of the priests by contacting the Parish Office. Names of the sick can be placed in the Bulletin Prayer List. Special intentions can be written in the Prayer Request Book. House Blessings, Anniversary Blessings, or similar celebrated occasions can be scheduled for registered parishioners. Please feel free to make use of these services by calling the Parish Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to become a registered parishioner, please call the Parish Office at 399-6897, complete the Registration Form located in the High School Lobby, or download it from the *Diocese Web Page*: saplv.org. The completed form can be given to an usher or placed in the collection basket.



4) **Saint Anthony of Padua Mailing Address: P.O. Box 750517, Las Vegas, NV 89136**



We pray for God's blessings upon the following new families:

John Davis & Family
Tony and Medy De Guia



Coming February 6th - St Anthony's Night at the Las Vegas Wranglers Hockey Game: The St. Anthony Pro-Life Committee is planning a benefit night at the Orleans Arena for Saturday, February 6, 2010.

Save the date to join your fellow parishioners in a night of fun and fundraising for our building fund. We will be selling tickets on the weekends of January 23 & 24, and January 30 & 31. Tickets will be \$15.00 (cash only) with a portion donated to the church. Wear brown or tan to pay tribute to St. Anthony's Franciscan heritage.

The Human Concerns Committee would sincerely like to thank our parishioners for their tremendous out pouring of generosity donating to our parish's Angel Tree this year. Because of your kindness, we were able to, not only help some of our own parish families in need, but were also able to supply Catholic Charities with many toys that will be given to the children in our area that are in need. Thank you and God Bless!



Human Trafficking Awareness Day at St. Viator Church
Monday 11 January 2010

Sr. Diane Maguire of the Holy Family Sisters, and part of the Human Trafficking Group, along with the Social Justice Committee at St. Viator's, are promoting a rosary campaign for the weekend of 9/10 January 2010. They've developed small rosary/prayer packets for distribution after Masses on that weekend. Please call St. Viator at (702)733-8323 for more information.

NEAREST OUTREACH LOCATION: St. John Neumann Catholic Church: 2575 El Campo Grande Ave., N. Las Vegas, NV 89031; Phone: (702) 657-0200
Outreach Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.
Catholic Charities Lunch: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 19 — 20, 2009

Total: \$ 9,826.00 — Attendance: 1359
May God Bless you for your generosity!

2010 Annual Scout Emblems Mass
"BSA 100 Years in the USA"
1910-2010

"SAVE THE DATE"

Saturday, February 27, 2010
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church



2010 Emblems Application should be turned in on or before December 15, 2009 for the Mass recipients. Please call (702) 735-3500 or 750-19 83 for more info.

A Seminar on Current Moral Issues

Presented by: Dr. John Haas

January 16th from 9AM-3PM

St. John Neumann Parish Center
2575 W. El Campo Grande Ave.

1 block north of Ann Rd. and Simmons in North Las Vegas

Moral Issues

Call for a reservation: 702-657-0200
(sack lunch provided-free will donation)

Dr. John Haas is the president of the National Catholic Bioethics Center in Philadelphia., PA. He has testified before the US Senate Committee on Health and Public Safety and the President's National Bioethics Advisory Commission. In 2006, Pope Benedict XVI appointed him to the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life.

Topics for Discussion will include:

Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide, Ordinary and Extraordinary Means, Killing and Allowing to Die, Dignity of Life and Integrity of Person, Pain and Pain Management, Decision for Incompetent Patients, End of Life Issues, Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide, Nutrition and Hydration, Abortion, Stem Cell Research (Embryonic) and the Church, Fertility and Infertility Methods and Issues, Genetic Engineering & Cloning, Health Issues, Organ Donations, Natural Family Planning and Contraceptives, Marriage and Same Sex Unions, Homosexuality, Principle of Double Effect, Capital Punishment/Death Penalty.

St. Anthony of Padua Youth Ensemble at the Sunday 5:00 p.m. Mass is looking for singers. If you are in high school or older, and like to sing, come see Kate Pia after the 4:00 p.m. Mass, leave a message at the office, or e-mail her at kapia@interact.ccsd.net



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>January</h1>  <h2>HAPPY 2010!</h2> 					1	2
					Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God 8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Parish Office Closed 	4:00 p.m. Mass @ CHS
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Mass at 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m. at CHS Religious Ed. Classes Resume Today 	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO 	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Human Concern 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Youth Group 6:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Confirmation Classes 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO	4:00 p.m. Mass @ CHS
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mass at 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m. at CHS Religious Ed. Classes RCIA	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Worship Committee 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Parish Council 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Confirmation Classes 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO	4:00 p.m. Mass @ CHS Food Drive
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Mass at 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m. at CHS Religious Ed. Classes RCIA Food Drive	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Knights of Columbus 6:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Womens' Society 11:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Youth Group 6:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO Confirmation Classes 7:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. Mass @ CPO	4:00 p.m. Mass @ CHS
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Mass at 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m. at CHS Religious Ed. Classes Resume Today RCIA						
31	NOTE: Meeting times and dates after the middle of the month are subject to change due to the Parish Office relocation.					
Mass at 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 p.m. at CHS Religious Ed. Classes Resume Today RCIA						



We want to thank the local businesses and individuals from our Parish who sponsored ads for our Bulletin. Sponsoring ads defrays the cost associated with printing our Church Bulletin each week and we really appreciate your support.

If you would like to be an advertiser or would like information about advertising, please call John Geittmann at St. George Publishing at (800) 447-0030 x121 or (262) 522-1122.

As you do business with our Bulletin advertisers, please take time to mention that you saw their ad in our bulletin. Thank you very much and May God Bless you for all your help and support.



RCIA NEWS: We are in need for volunteers to join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Team on Sunday mornings. The commitment is between 8:00 am and 10:00 am. If you do not have experience that is OK. You could observe this year or until you feel more comfortable taking a more active role. We invite interested adults to consider acting as sponsors to the candidates. For more information please call Patti Shovlin at 617-4900.

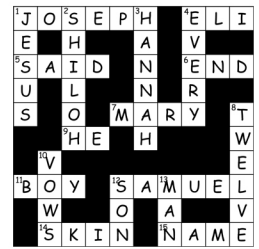


WORDSEARCH

Can you find and circle the words listed below?

SPLENDOR LIGHT HOLY
 DARKNESS GLORY MARY
 MYSTERY EARTH GOLD
 APOSTLES MAGI HEROD
 PEACE STAR GRACE

Solution to last week's crossword



B	S	P	L	E	N	D	O	R	A	A	H
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END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT FOR TAX PURPOSES

If you wish to receive a statement of your contributions for tax purposes, please fill out the this form and return it to the Parish Office. You may drop it in the collection basket, bring it to the office or mail it in. **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE YOUR REQUESTS BY PHONE-AS WE NEED TO HAVE CORRECT INFORMATION.** If you make a request for a statement, it *will be available by January 31, 2010.* (PLEASE NOTE: TAX STATEMENTS ARE NOT PRODUCED WITHOUT THIS REQUEST FORM!)

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 (St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Parish)**

7) Administrator: Rev. Samuel J. Falbo / Parochial Vicar: Rev. Gerald Grupczynski, S.Ch.



The Epiphany of The Lord

Saturday, January 2nd:

4:00 p.m. † John & Fances Mangina
 † Louis Oliva
 † Buford Greer

Sunday, January 3rd:

8:00 a.m. † Donald Van Such
 10:00 a.m. † Constancio Cadorna
 12:00 noon † Romeo Z. Rupisan
 † Elvira Pareja
 5:00 p.m. Our Parishioners

Mon. Jan. 4th; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00 a.m. † Guillerma and Marciano Pineda

Tue. Jan. 5th; St. John Neuman

8:30 a.m. † Paul Fritsch

Wed. Jan. 6th; Blessed Andre Bessette

8:30 a.m. † Victor Falcone

Th. Jan. 7th; St Raymond of Penaforte

8:30 a.m. † Victoria (Tory) Denison

Fri. Jan. 8th; Weekday

8:30 a.m. Roy & Verna Burrows (Intentions)

The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, January 9th:

4:00 p.m. Robert Ginez (Birthday)
 † Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Koval

Sunday, January 10th:

8:00 a.m. Our Parishioners
 10:00 a.m. Mary Louise Navarro (Thanksgiving to St. Anthony)
 12:00 noon † Ronnie Danic
 5:00 p.m. Albert Rupisan (Thanksgiving)



January 3 – 10 2010

SUN. Jan. 3rd: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Mon. Jan. 4th: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tue. Jan. 5th: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44
Wed. Jan. 6th: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52
Thu. Jan. 7th: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a
Fri. Jan. 8th: 1 Jn 5:51 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52 -13/Lk 5:12-16
Sat. Jan. 9th: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30
SUN. January 10th: The Baptism of the Lord
 Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

of Prayer List

The following parishioners or family members are in need your prayers. Please pray for them.



Sandy Bouett	Margaret Corta	Cheryl Flickinger
Joseph Moran	Josie Manglona	Cecilia McIlvenny
Jerry Keeton	Robert Stiehl	Theodore Klingler
Stephanie Range	Dennis Arnoldy	Doris Sullivan
Eileen Slattery	Benedicta Kane	Marietta Pena Flor
Ralph Passante	Jessica G. Lintag	Jim Benac
Matthew Blanchard	Connie Puertollano	Sarita Berlin
James Benac	Ray Konvick	Jodi Van Fleet
Helen Patrick	Louise Cerami	Joe Gadden
Theresa Castaldo	Richard Yusko	Rosalinda Soriano
Virginia Boltz	Cheryl Kallal	Lottie Devenuto

E t e r n a l L i f e

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Erin Marie Stiehl	Thomas R. Moro	Mary Cantara
Blassie Renteria	Lawrence Keeton	Constancio Cadorna
Silvano Carlotti	Dolores Parsons	Ilio Barontini
Pedro Suarez	Margaret Soriano	Isabelle Arreola
Roland Lemoine	Grace Ewing	Donald VanSuch
Adorno Biasci	Frank Fertitta	Anna Cutter
Florenio T. Alcanterra	Helen Vaughan	Richard Davis

Emily McKinley

Active Military Men and Women

Please keep the following service men/women in your daily prayers while they serve our country. Please pray for them, their families, and for their safe return.



Greg Rives	Lindsay High	Ryan Speed
Erik Cadena-Garcia	Cornel Danciu	Jeffrey Delfin
Cameron High	Nicholas Hughes	Matthew James
Timothy Licano	Craig Lanahan	Kristopher McKethen
Paul Mazzotti	Vincent S. Mendes	Jon Minnich
Jason Pavlik	C. O. Powell, Jr.	Bryan Ridenour
Eric Tryan	Patrick Vlaming	Alvin R. Alvarez
Keenan Burns	Gilberto Carrera	Jill Wagoner
Richard Doyen	Robert Feenan	Ken Martin
Andrew Jett	Bryan Kitchin	Corey Sierra
Russell McKethen	Robert C. Mazza	Katie Parke