



Weekly Bulletin

January 5 through January 12, 2008

Epiphany: A time for Joyful Wonder

These past few weeks, we have seen plenty of activity at little St. Vincent's. Gratitude is extended to all – to those who participated in our Christmas cleaning, to those who assisted at our beautiful holiday liturgies, to all those who helped make our Hmong New Year celebration a grand success – thank you! These past few weeks have been a reminder to me of how grateful I am to God for the opportunity to serve here.

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SCHEDULES

Masses:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Confession:

Sunday 8:00AM-8:45AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday 7:00PM-8:00PM

Religious Education:

Sunday 10:30AM-12:00PM

1st Sat. of Month:

- Mass at 8:30AM
- Altar & Rosary Society Meeting

This weekend we celebrate the solemnity of Epiphany, a word that means “a manifestation.” On this day we commemorate three important events in the life of Christ – the visitation of the magi, the turning of water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana, and the revelation of The Father’s love at our Lord’s baptism. All three of these events manifest the Divinity of Christ. Jesus is not just one teacher among many. He is God’s own beloved Son.

The fact of the Incarnation is cause for wonder and joy. God loves us! And because of this love, he has come among us as a man. We can now look upon His face, a face that radiates the love of the Father. When we lose touch with this fundamental core of our faith – the love of God made manifest in Jesus – our spiritual lives will rapidly dissolve. We must remain united to Jesus through the sacraments, private prayer, penance, and works of mercy. Without Jesus we are nothing. In fact, without Jesus our lives as believers are ridiculous. But if He truly is who we believe Him to be, then all the sacrifices and demands of the Christian way of life are worthwhile and can indeed be embraced with joy.

May this holy season of Christmas, a season of joy and wonder, be a time of recommitment to Jesus and union with Him.

St. Vincent de Paul – pray for us!

In Christ,

Father Erickson

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 1/5

*8:30 AM Ralph Mikel Family
5:00 PM Altar & Rosary Society*

Sunday 1/6

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday 1/12

5:00 PM Fr. John Paul Erickson

Sunday 1/13

9:00 AM People of the Parish

GOSPEL READING AT

MASS

Saturday 1/5(Vigil)

Matthew 2: 1-12

Sunday 1/6

Matthew 2: 1-12

Monday 1/7

Matthew 6: 34-44

Tuesday 1/8

Mark 6: 34-44

Wednesday 1/9

Mark 6: 45-52

Thursday 1/10

Luke 4: 14-22

Friday 1/11

Luke 5: 12-16

Saturday 1/12 (AM)

John 3: 22-30

Saturday Confession

Saturday Confession will be at the **Cathedral of Saint Paul** from 3:30PM-5:00PM

Lus ceeb toom

Vim tsis muaj tus teb xov tooj hauv peb lub Tsev teev Ntuj lawm, mas yog nej hu tuaj, tus yuav teb xov tooj yog tus khiav hauj lwm nyob pem lub niam Tsev teev Ntuj (Cathedral). Tso nej npe thiab xov tooj, Txiv Plig mam li hu rov rau nej.

**St. Vincent de Paul,
pray for us!**

Council Meetings

The Men’s Leadership Council, Women’s Leadership Council and Finance Council will meet Sunday, January 20th after religious education classes.

Church Envelopes

If you have not picked up your new Sunday envelopes, they are available after Mass this weekend. Please use this new set of envelopes for your weekly donation.

Open Gym

Arrangements have been made for the Youth Group, their family and friends to use New Spirit's gym on Sundays from 1pm - 5pm. This will be an open gym activity and is not mandatory, but is open for anyone who wants to come and just get some physical activities going. Please feel free to bring both your school homework and Sunday school homework to work on as well. There will be a space available for you to work on those while the gym is in use.

- Peter Ly

Second Saturday Potluck Next Weekend

Remember....every second Saturday of the month all are invited to gather in Wellisch Hall for a simple potluck following the 5 PM Mass. Bring food to share!

Thursday Morning Meeting

The monthly meeting to discuss parish business and any concerns of members of the parish will be held next Thursday, January 10 at 7 AM in Wellisch Hall. The parish office will be open from 8:30 AM to Noon every Thursday. Please call with your questions, suggestions, mass intentions and address updates for the parish roster.