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SATURDAY MASSES:

Angel Fire 8:00 am
Eagle Nest 4:00 pm Angel Fire 5:30 pm (Sunday Obligation)

SUNDAY MASSES:

Springer 8:00 am Angel Fire 8:00 am Cimarron 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Springer: Monday—Friday 8:00 am 1st Saturday 8:00 am
Cimarron: Tuesday – 11:30 am
Angel Fire: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat — 8:00 am; Tue & Thurs—noon

ROSARY

St. Joseph's: Sunday & Weekdays at 7:30 am
ICC: Sunday at 9:30 am; 11:00 am on Tuesday
Missions: 30 minutes before Mass

CONFESSIONS:

St. Joseph's: Sunday 7:30 am or by appt
ICC: Before Mass or by appt. Missions: Before Mass or by appt

CCD:

Springer: Sundays after Mass during schoolyear beginning on Sept. 8
ICC Missions: To Be Announced
Cimarron: Sundays after Mass at Parish Hall

ADORATION:

St. Joseph: Adoration with Divine Mercy-Fridays after Mass
Holy Angels: M, W, F: after mass; Tue/Thur: 1 hour before Mass

St. Joseph's Parish Office

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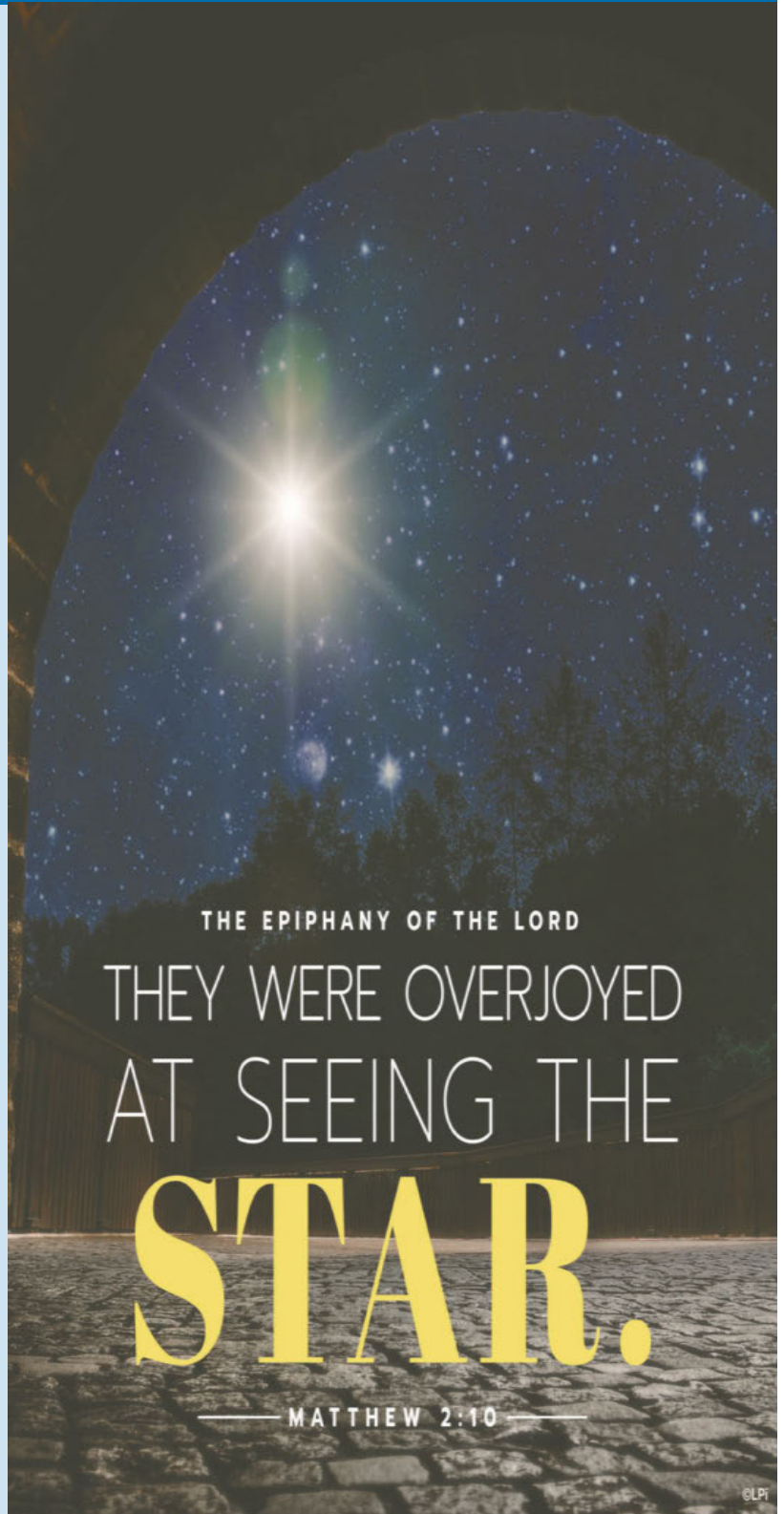
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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
THEY WERE OVERJOYED
AT SEEING THE
STAR.

— MATTHEW 2:10 —



Sacraments

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: If you would like your child to be baptized, please call the Parish Office and have an appointment schedule with the Pastor. During this meeting, the Pastor will provide you with information on how to choose sponsors and name and schedule a date for the Baptism. Please endeavor to bring your child's Birth Certificate to the meeting. Baptism can occur on any weekend of the month.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: This sacrament takes place in the Spring of each year following two years of preparation.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: This Sacrament takes place in the Spring of each year, and is open to all high school students. Contact the RE & Youth Coordinator for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please call the parish office six months in advance and schedule a meeting with the pastor. At that meeting, the wedding date can be fixed.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please notify the parish office or rectory if someone is ill at home and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Anointing or Communion.

FUNERALS: Please contact the pastor to make arrangements.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Cimarron, to be announced
Tom Quinn, Louise Johnson, Sam Minor, Paul Atzberger, Genevieve Velasquez, Eliseo Espinosa {ex-officio}.

K of C SANGRE DE CRISTO COUNCIL #10666

The Knights meet the 1st Tuesday of each month in the Sr. Hildegarde Parish Hall at 7pm; Corporate Communion is held the 1st Sunday of each month. All brother Knights and their families are invited to attend.

K of C Moreno Valley Council #17068

Meetings are held on the last Monday of each month in the Holy Angels meeting room at 6:00 pm. Corporate Communion is the 2nd week-end of the month. Meeting 1/2 hour before mass for the rosary followed by mass and a pot-luck. Location and times will vary. Knights and their families are encouraged to attend.



HOLY ANGELS ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society meets the First Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Angel Room. Would you like to join, contact Meg Quinn.



2023-24 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ICC Missions:

Holy Angels — TBA
St. Mel's—TBA

ICC: Sundays after Mass at Parish Hall

Contact the **Parish Office Secretary** for more information or to register.



ICC OFFICE HOURS WITH FR. TRIEU on TUESDAYS

Fr. Trieu will be in the office at ICC on Tuesdays from 10am to 12:30pm. Avail yourself of this opportunity to visit with him for confession, consultations etc. He is not just there for sake of being there but for sake of seeing and meeting with his parishioners. Make available to him through the staff in ICC names of sick people that needs attention and visit of the pastor.



SAT, JAN 4, 2025 - HA 8:00 AM St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Does not count for Sunday obligation

SAT, JAN 4, 2025 -ST. MEL'S-4:00 pm St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
✦ Sue Atzberger by Gregory Nesbit

SAT, JAN 4, 2025 —HA—5:30 pm St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
✦ Cindy Germscheid by Cindy Allasia

SUNDAY, JAN 5, 2025—HA—8:00 am St. John Neumann
✦ Cindy Germscheid by Cindy Allasia

SUNDAY, JAN 5, 2025 -ICC -10:00 am St. John Neumann
✦ Gilbert LeDoux by Ernie & Judy LeDoux and family
✦ Joe & Lupe Vigil by Josephine Vigil
✦ Angie Martinez by Tim & Timothy Martinez

MON, JAN 6, 2025 — HA— 8:00 AM St. Andre Bessette

TUES, JAN 7, 2025 -ICC -11:30 AM St. Raymond Pennafort

TUES, JAN 7, 2025-HA -8:00 AM St. Raymond Pennafort

WED, JAN 8, 2025-ICC-10:00 AM St. Thorfinn

THUR, JAN 9, 2025-HA -8:00 AM St. Adrian, Abbot

FRI, JAN 10, 2025—HA—8:00 AM St. William Bourges

SATURDAY—JAN 11, 2025—ST. MEL'S 4:00 PM

SATURDAY—JAN 11, 2025—HOLY ANGELS- 5:30 PM

SUNDAY- JAN 12, 2025—HOLY ANGELS- 8:00 AM

SUNDAY—JAN 12, 2025—ICC - 10:00 AM

* Next weekends intentions not available at press time.

PARISH SUPPORT Dec 15, 21 & 22, 2025

NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME



COLLECTION COUNTERS

Jan 5, 2025: Joyce Friedt & Louise Johnson
Jan 12: Carol Gurule & Isabel Lloyd



MONTH of JANUARY 2025 CLEANING

ICC: Marie & Sofia Salas
St. Mel's: Jim & Alice Baca
HOLY ANGELS: Holy Angels Church Cleaning Team
MAYORDOMOS: ICC: Gloria Martinez

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Lectors:	Date:	Minister:
St. Mel's:	01/11	Volunteer Needed
Holy Angels:	01/11	Paul Nolan
Holy Angels:	01/12	Paul Nolan
ICC:	01/12	Jo Duran
Ushers:		
St. Mel's:	01/11	Paul Atzberger & Jim Baca
Holy Angels:	01/11	Denise & Kelly Caraway
Holy Angels:	01/12	Tom Quinn
ICC:	01/12	Knights of Columbus
Altar Servers:		
St. Mel's	01/11	Adult volunteer
Holy Angels	01/11	Adult volunteer
Holy Angels	01/12	Ricky Tafoya or Adult Volunteer
ICC	01/12	Orion & Dori



Readings Week Week of January 5, 2025

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

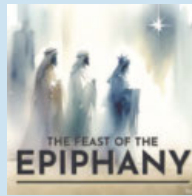
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**GOSPEL MEDITATION -
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING
OF SCRIPTURE**

**January 5, 2025
Epiphany of the Lord**



Have you ever wondered why the magi had gold, frankincense, and myrrh? Matthew's Gospel tells us, "Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh" (Matt. 2:11). Why are these things their "treasures"? One possible answer is they were magicians and astrologers, and these three items were the tools of their questionable trade. In offering them to Christ, they demonstrate that they will cease using such items to predict or control life. They place this baby-king, the God of Israel, at the center of their lives, and not their own devices of control, manipulation and prediction.

Isn't that what we need to do, too? Consider, for example, the magical power of money, symbolized by the magi's gold. Seemingly whatever we ask of money, it does. It wields a god-like power over the world. It can predict the future by guaranteeing better outcomes for us — which is why it is such a tempting alternative to trusting in God. The problem is such absolute trust in money enslaves us to the economic forces that make money so powerful. In paying homage to Jesus with "gold" (i.e., tithing), we participate in his authority over (and therefore freedom from) the magical sway of money.

What things in your life do you use to predict or control your future? What in your life seems to give you power over the world? Those are your treasures. Are you tired of feeling enslaved to them? Find a way to open them and give them to Christ, and you will be freer.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



NEW HOLY ANGELS WEBSITE

Holy Angels Mission has a new website. You can now find it at angelfirecatholic.com. You can find Mass times, announcements and directions to the church. Bookmark this new address on your computer.

COMMUNION FOR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

Please notify the office when someone is ill or homebound for any significant length of time so we can offer communion at home. Hospital Visitation: Please notify the office when someone from the parish is in the hospital so Fr. Trieu can visit or anoint them. We need volunteers to help with the Homebound Communion Ministry. If you are interested, please call the parish office.



BULLETIN ON LINE

Want to find a copy of any recent bulletin on-line? Go to Parishes online and search for St. Joseph's in Springer, NM. The Springer, Cimarron & Missions Issues are posted on that page. ICC issue is usually the first bulletin listed.



COMMUNITY PRAYER LIST Alice Baca, Betty LeDoux, Paul Donnisthorpe, Joel Rivera, Steven Gurule, Alice Vigil, Leroy Chavez, Daniel Pavletich, Frances Griego, Chris Sandoval, Edith Rought, Andy & John Martinez, Laurie Sheridan, John Sanchez, Chavez Family Members, Leo R. Martinez, Larry Layden, Pat Zamora, Stephen Johnson, Orlando Sandoval, Amy Muchleisen, Yvonne Rael, George "Tooty" Madrid, Helen Rivera, Margaret VanAntwerp, Luis Torres, Tom Griego, Pauline Garcia Al Maestas and parishioners at the Nursing Home.

MILITARY DEPLOYED: Diego Ortiz, Isaac Sanchez, Brian Wang, Austin Rees, Nicholas Howe *Please call the Office to add or remove a name. Thank you!*



2025 CHURCH CLEANING

Sign up sheet for cleaning the Church at St. Mel's and ICC for 2025. St. Mel's has the following months open, January, March, April, May and December and for ICC March, July, August and September. Thank you for volunteering to keep our churches clean!

**BESIDES THE WISE MEN,
WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT ABOUT THE EPIPHANY?**

Epiphany means "manifestation," or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



This part of Matthew's infancy narrative differs from Luke's account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph's long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text. Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact? © LPi

EPIPHANY BLESSING, EXPLAINED

The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home. All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk. The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house." ©LPi



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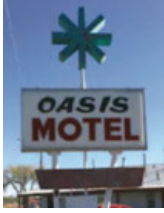
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