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MASS SCHEDULE:

SUN. JAN. 6, 2012 - FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY (THREE KINGS) - SOLEMNITY HOLY MASS/BENEDICTION - 9:00AM

MON. JAN. 7, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 9:00AM

TUE. JAN. 8, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 9:00AM

WED. JAN. 9, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 7:00PM

THU. JAN. 10, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 9:00AM

FRI. JAN. 11, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 9:00AM

SAT. JAN. 12, 2012 - MASS WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE EPIPHANY - 9:00AM

SUN. JAN. 13, 2012 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD - SOLEMNITY - HOLY MASS - 9:00AM

TODAY'S ENTRANCE RITES:

BLESSING OF CHALK AND INCENSE

MARKING AND BLESSING OF THE CHURCH DOORS

HIGH MASS IN THE CONTEMPORARY RITE - pg 63 in the Mass Booklets

TODAY'S READINGS:

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.

READER: THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD! PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD!

PSALM RESPONSE - LORD, EVERY NATION ON EARTH WILL ADORE YOU!

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.

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ALLELUIA!, ALLELUIA! WE SAW HIS STAR AT ITS RISING AND HAVE COME TO DO HIM HOMAGE. ALLELUIA!, ALLELUIA!, ALLELUIA!

+A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW+

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "go search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage.? After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary His Mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way. PRIEST - THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD!

PEOPLE - PRAISE BE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today's second collection, (as always on the first Sunday of the month), is for the missions.

Many thanks for your generous donations to the Christmas food drive. Quite a bit was collected and donated to the local food bank for distribution to the needy. Bóg zapłać!

We continue to rejoice in the message of Christmas - God begin born as man in all things but sin, in order that Man might return to his rightful place as sons of the most High God. May God continue to bless you throughout the Christmas season.

Kolędy visits will begin this week. As last year it would help for people in PA and NJ to group together. I would like to cover most homes this way on Jan. 12th & 19th which are Saturdays. I was accompanied by parishioner-guides last year which made the visits most enjoyable. If you are not able to receive a visit on these Saturdays please call the rectory to schedule your visit.