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# The Epiphany of the Lord



*Mass Times:*

**Saturday: 5:00pm\*, Sunday: 9:00am\*, 11:00am & 7:00pm**

*\*) with The Liturgy of the Word for Children*



### Confessions:

**Monday to Friday**  
7:55 am to 8:10 am

### **Saturday**

9:30 am to 10:00 am  
4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

### **By Appointment**

Please call the Parish Office.  
604-434-1328

### Holy Hour:

Thursday mornings after Mass  
First Friday's at 6:00 pm

### Prayer Group:

Every Wednesday in the Parish Hall  
7 pm to 8:30 pm

### Men's Bible Study

Every Tuesday 9 am to 11 am  
In the Parish Hall



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## Sunday, January 7 The Epiphany of the Lord Matthew 2:1-12



*They promised themselves and did him homage. (Matthew 2:11)*

In your high school English class, you might have learned that an “epiphany” is the moment when a character is struck with a life changing realization that changes the rest of the story. Every good novel has one. That’s one way to think about the feast we are celebrating today. God revealed himself to the Gentiles, and that moment changed everything.

There had been hints of God welcoming the Gentiles throughout the Old Testament. But Matthew’s Gospel shows us this pivotal moment, pagan astrologers from the East came to worship Jesus, the new born king of the Jews (2:11). They are the first of the “nations” whom Isaiah prophesied would walk by the Lord’s light (Isaiah 60:3). They are the first of those Paul says will be “coheirs...in Christ Jesus through the gospel” (Ephesians 3:6).

Why is this event so important? Because it reveals to us that God’s love is far more expansive than anyone had ever thought. We begin to see that in Christ, a loving relationship with God is open to everyone who comes to him, Jew or Gentile.

That includes you! And your annoying cousin. And the notorious criminal on death row. And the atheist on that YouTube channel. The invitation to come to Jesus extends to everyone. Because God’s loving desire to draw all people to himself cannot be contained, no one is excluded from it. And that’s a life changing realization!

Today, as you celebrate this great feast, give thanks to God who loves so extravagantly that he opens his arms wide to welcome everyone who believes. Pray, too, that all people will come to the Lord.



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**New Year  
New You**  
with  
**Alpha**  
Begins Jan 11, 2024

**Stay curious #tryalpha**



### New Address

If you have moved please contact the parish office to update your address. This will ensure that your 2023 tax receipt is mailed to the correct address. Thank you. 604-434-1328



### COBS BREAD

Volunteers needed to pick up Cobs Bread on Sunday evenings on a rotation basis. Must have a large trunk space or an SUV to transport the bread containers.



If you can help please call the parish office. 604-434-1328.

IN LOVING  
*Memory*



<i>Jon Lim</i>	<i>January 1, 1996</i>
<i>William H Cahill</i>	<i>January 1, 1950</i>
<i>Antonio Reyes</i>	<i>January 1, 2021</i>
<i>Concepcion Lagmay</i>	<i>January 2, 2019</i>
<i>Jacqueline Kennelly</i>	<i>January 2, 2020</i>
<i>Salvador Pabalan</i>	<i>January 3, 2013</i>
<i>Paul Schimmelmann</i>	<i>January 3, 2014</i>
<i>Isidor Eisner</i>	<i>January 4, 2018</i>
<i>Mavel Fedosa</i>	<i>January 4, 2005</i>
<i>Frances Whyte</i>	<i>January 4, 2020</i>
<i>Leonor Tanada</i>	<i>January 4, 2021</i>
<i>John Fedosa</i>	<i>January 5, 1997</i>
<i>Paul Li</i>	<i>January 5, 2018</i>
<i>J.F. McCarron</i>	<i>January 5, 1956</i>
<i>Fulvio Eugenio Franchini</i>	<i>January 5, 2008</i>
<i>Emanuel Vieira dos Santos</i>	<i>January 5, 2005</i>
<i>Stella Lee</i>	<i>January 5, 2017</i>
<i>Eduardo Pintassilgo</i>	<i>January 5, 1993</i>
<i>James H. Cahill</i>	<i>January 6, 1985</i>
<i>Domencio Celio</i>	<i>January 6, 2020</i>
<i>Mark Tessmer</i>	<i>January 7, 2006</i>
<i>Hermogena T. Sumakot</i>	<i>January 7, 2009</i>
<i>Lawrence Frame</i>	<i>January 7, 2016</i>
<i>Victor Gellerttheyyi</i>	<i>January 7, 2017</i>
<i>Foo Liu</i>	<i>January 9, 2016</i>
<i>Michael D MacInnes</i>	<i>January 9, 1965</i>
<i>Ambrose Cahill</i>	<i>January 9, 1958</i>
<i>Giovanni Campeotto</i>	<i>January 10, 2020</i>

IN LOVING  
*Memory*



<i>Adele Mattiello</i>	<i>January 10, 1985</i>
<i>Jose T. Timbang Sr.</i>	<i>January 11, 2014</i>
<i>Valerie Lee Sun</i>	<i>January 11, 2009</i>
<i>Anastacio Amore</i>	<i>January 12, 2015</i>
<i>Rosa Geronimo</i>	<i>January 12, 2009</i>
<i>Patelo Esperanza</i>	<i>January 13, 1964</i>
<i>Anita Rabar</i>	<i>January 14, 2008</i>
<i>Yolanda Bayan</i>	<i>January 14, 2009</i>
<i>Juanito F. Carteciano</i>	<i>January 15, 2002</i>
<i>Jose Talilies Timbang Sr.</i>	<i>January 11, 2014</i>
<i>Lisa Sinclair</i>	<i>January 16, 2017</i>
<i>Florinda V Empainado</i>	<i>January 18, 2015</i>
<i>Aquilena Tomei</i>	<i>January 19, 1993</i>
<i>Ziggy Malimowski</i>	<i>January 19, 2012</i>
<i>Narcisco M. Sumakot</i>	<i>January 19, 2014</i>
<i>Alicia Tanada Afable</i>	<i>January 19, 2012</i>
<i>Renante Dizan Dalupan</i>	<i>January 20, 2017</i>
<i>Jose M. Rosales</i>	<i>January 21, 2013</i>
<i>Frank Dwan</i>	<i>January 21, 1987</i>
<i>Joseph Lim</i>	<i>January 22, 1978</i>
<i>Anna Maria Del Monte</i>	<i>January 24, 2017</i>
<i>Stephen Farrer</i>	<i>January 25, 1996</i>
<i>José Bezerra de Luna</i>	<i>January 25, 2007</i>
<i>Eileen Malon</i>	<i>January 26, 2008</i>
<i>John Da Silva</i>	<i>January 28, 2014</i>
<i>Renante D Dalupan</i>	<i>January 29, 2019</i>
<i>Alexander N Timbang</i>	<i>January 31, 2021</i>
<i>Apollonia Furch</i>	<i>January 31, 1982</i>

**New Year's Workshop on Building Habits** If you are struggling to see how it might be possible to grow in your spiritual life, if you feel stuck in your walk with God, if you want to go deeper but you don't know how, you will discover much in this free workshop. Fr. John O' Brien's simple recommendations will not overwhelm you or require you to give up every spare moment in an already busy life. These habits will give you a framework on which to grow if your spiritual life has become a place of exhaustion and not rest. Set up for long-term spiritual resiliency on Thursday, January 11, at 12 p.m. via Zoom. Learn more and register at: [beholdvancouver.org/events](https://beholdvancouver.org/events).

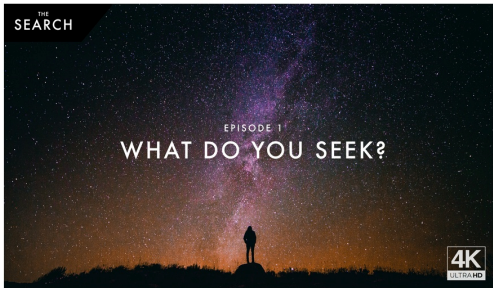
*If we approach with faith, we too will see Jesus....for the Eucharistic table takes the place of the crib. Here the Body of the Lord is present, wrapped, not in swaddling clothes but in the rays of the Holy Spirit.*

*St. John Chrysostom*



# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of January 07, 2024



## What Do You Seek? | The Search | Episode 1

What is that deep longing in our hearts all about? We're all living for something, and we all strive for that something out there that is ultimately going to make us happy. But what is it? Watch Episode 1 of The Search to begin to answer this question.



## Arianism & Apollinarianism

## Arianism

Is Jesus truly God? Learn about the fourth-century heresy, Arianism, and the derivative heresy of Apollinarianism.



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In this FORMED Now! special episode, Dr. Michael Barber sits down to reflect on the Magi from the Gospel accounts and what spiritual lessons can be learned from this historical event recorded in Scripture.

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