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Angel Tags 2023

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Epiphany

Home Chalk Blessing

20 + C + M + B + 24

The chalking of the doors is a simple ritual to dedicate the new year to God from its very outset, asking His blessing on your home and on all who live, work, or visit them there. The numbers represent the new year

2 Meanings for CMB: names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar) and *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for *May Christ Bless this House*

The + signs represent the cross

- Gather all in the household at the front door.
- Read an Epiphany scripture passage (Is 60:1-6, Ps 72, Mt 2:1-12, or Rev 21:22-26)
- Pray: "Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."
- Chalk the door, door frame, or plaque with 20+C+M+B+23
- Pray the Our Father
- Sing an Epiphany song

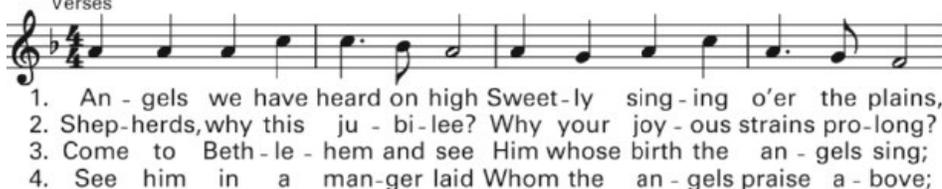


GATHERING

Angels We Have Heard On High

Gather #430

Verses



1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man - ger laid Whom the an - gels praise a - bove;



1. And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
2. Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song.
3. Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
4. Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain



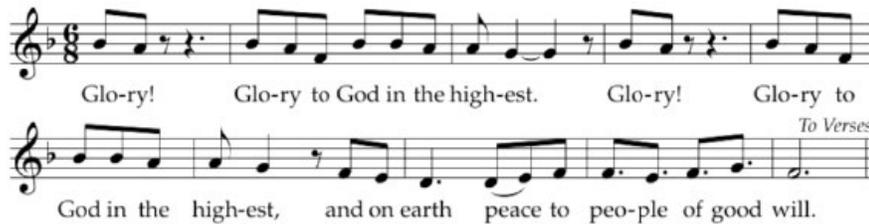
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Text: 77 77 with refrain; trad. French carol, ca. 18th cent.; tr. fr. *Crown of Jesus Music, II*, London, 1862; tr. by James Chadwick, 1813-1882, and others, alt. Music: Trad. French carol.

Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)

Ed Bolduc



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to
God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

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For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 128: O Blessed Are Those

Paul Inwood



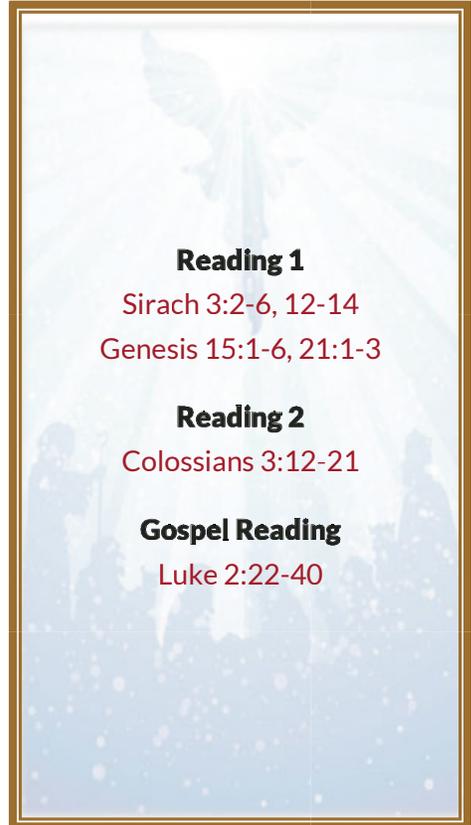
O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labor of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper.

Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;
you children like shoots of the olive around your table.

Indeed thus shall be blest all those who fear the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life!

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Reading 1
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3

Reading 2
Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel Reading
Luke 2:22-40

Let the
peace of Christ
control your hearts:

Let the
word of Christ
dwell in you richly.

Colossians 3:15a, 16a

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, "Mass of a Joyful Heart"

Steve Angrisano & Tom Tomaszek

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia. lu - ia.

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INTERCESSION RESPONSE

"Mass of the Father's Love"

arr. Carol Browning

Hear us Lord. O hear our prayer.

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PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

What Child Is This

Gather #466

Verses

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma - ry's lap is
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas - ant, king, to

1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, While
2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The
3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let

Refrain

1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is Christ the
2. si - lent Word is plead - ing.
3. lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,
haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Ma - ry.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

Text: 87 87 with refrain; Bramley and Stainer's *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871; William C. Dix, 1837-1898.
Music: Trad. English melody, 16th cent.; Bramley and Stainer's *Christmas Carols New and Old*, 1871.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church.



EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

“Mass of Creation”

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy

Gather #198

4

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
 hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
 Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
 high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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Memorial Acclamation A

Gather #199

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-
 rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

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Amen

Gather #202

A-men, a-men, a-men.

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Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold Him who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL:

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un-der my roof,
 but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Lamb of God

Gather #204

Cantor: Assembly:

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
 world, have mer-cy on us.
 world, grant us peace.

To repeat
 Last time

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COMMUNION SONGS

Jesus, Hope of the World

Deanna Light & Paul Tate, Gather #909

Refrain



Je-sus, hope of the world, Je-sus, light in our
dark-ness, here we a-wait you, O Mas-ter Di-vine.
Here we re-ceive you in Bread and in Wine:
Je-sus, hope of the world.

Verses



2 *All:*
Come, Lord Je-sus!

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Tune: Deanna Light, b.1967, and Paul A. Tate, b.1968
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Lo, How a Rose
Infant Holy

Howard Helvey
Craig Kingsbury

SENDING FORTH

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Gather #424



Verses
1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of
1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,
3. Righ - teous-ness! Light and life to all he brings,
1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
2. Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his
1. na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; With an -
2. God-head see! Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! Pleased as
3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to
1. gel - ic hosts pro - claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.
Refrain
Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King."

Text: 77 77 D with refrain; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847; arr. by William H. Cummings, 1831–1915.

We are Family

Dear friends on the journey,

When our children were young, we taught them that everyone in the household had to help. In a house with two full-time working parents and three kids, the only way to keep a house running was for everyone to have age-appropriate chores. While my husband and I did the bulk, the kids learned early on how to take out the trash, do their own laundry (mostly polyester uniforms that couldn't be ruined), straighten their rooms and bathroom, unload the dishwasher, set the table and mow the lawns. We felt this same philosophy that we grew up with and served us well would be beneficial in the formation of our children. Today they will tell you that they are better for developing actual household skills and growing in responsibility and confidence.

Today is the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph and, while there are options for the readings, they all focus on the importance of family. The first reading tells of the wisdom and justice in honoring fathers with the alternate first reading we hear of God's promises that Abraham and Sarah will have a son. The second reading tells us how to live together as families and in the gospel Joseph and Mary take the infant Jesus to Jerusalem for the ritual of purification. There they meet Simeon and Anna, who both speak about Jesus' future. Afterward, the Holy Family returned to Nazareth, where Jesus grew strong and wise, with God's favor.



The Holy Family stands as a model of the virtues of obedience, faith, patience, and humility. It offers a model for Christian families in living a life centered on God. The final verse of the gospel, mentioning Jesus growing and becoming strong, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God being upon Him, emphasizes the importance of growth in virtue and grace. It is a reminder that spiritual and moral development is a lifelong process nurtured within the family.

This feast that happens to fall this year on December 31 is an ideal backdrop for our 2024 parish covenant. The document you will receive today is two-sided, the first side being the promises made by the pastoral team to you, our parishioners and the second is a list of ideas for you, individually and/or as a family to commit to this new year. The commitments listed are all new this year and are suggestions designed to help you grow as Jesus did in his family: strong, wise, and with God's favor and in discipleship responsibility, confidence, spirituality and most importantly in relationship with our good and gracious God.

Take it home and prayerfully consider what you will commit to this year then return it to the altar next week. Imagine how our parish will grow together, stronger, and closer in our domestic churches and a church family, as we strive to encounter Jesus and be his disciples.

Siempre Adelante,

Teresa Runyon
Pastoral Associate



Children

Age 3 to Grade 8.

Stay and Play ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

12 - 36 months. Sundays during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. The Stay and Play Team wishes you a Happy New Year! We will resume on January 7. Mrs. Soraya and helpers will lovingly care for your little one) while you go to Mass. Stop by to see all the toys and fun. You are welcome to stay to make sure your toddler is settled. No-cost service. Gather in Carmel rooms.



Cherubs Music Program

For kids in Preschool through Grade 2. Did you know that the most critical age for a child's music development is from birth to age 9? Preregistration is required. Please email Lisa at cherubs@padreserra.org for more information. Visit www.padreserra.org/cherubs

Little Church ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Sunday preschool during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Mrs. Soraya and the Little Church team wish you a Happy New Year! We will resume on January 7. Children learn so much! From the Sign of the Cross to the Bible stories, songs, and more. It's super fun to make friends and be at Church on Sundays! Registrations for the new program year are now open; visit www.padreserra.org/registration. For more information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

Grades 1 - 5. Offered during 11:00 am Mass. The Children's Liturgy of the Word wishes you a Happy New Year! We resume on January 7. Children are invited to listen to the readings and Gospel, read and explained at their level. No preregistration is required. **Leaders Needed! No experience is necessary;** contact tere@padreserra.org for more information.

Spark! ~ January 8 and 10

Grades 1 - 5. The Children's Faith Formation Team wishes you a Happy New Year! We resume sessions on January 8 and 10. For more information, contact jennifer@padreserra.org or christine@padreserra.org

Children's & Middle School Choir

All children grades 3 to 8 are invited! No experience is necessary. Weekly rehearsals, every Wednesday, 5:00 pm. For more info, visit www.padreserra.org/cmcs

Three-Sixteen ~ January 10

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. The Three:Sixteen middle school ministry Team wishes you a Happy New Year! We resume sessions on January 10. For more information, please get in touch with tere@padreserra.org

High School

Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!

4:12 ~ Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome!

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on Wednesdays from 7:30 - 9:00pm in San Juan Capistrano rooms. Follow us on Instagram [@pspyouth](https://www.instagram.com/pspyouth) for more information, or contact brett@padreserra.org

Confirmation Y1 ~ January 7

The Youth Ministry wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We resume on January 7. Contact youth@padreserra.org for more information.

Confirmation Y2 ~ Weekly Ministry

Weekly Ministry has begun; if you have not started, please contact youth@padreserra.org or tere@padreserra.org with any questions regarding sessions or weekly ministry.

Adults

Bible Study ~ January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Dr. Paul Ford leads a weekly study of the upcoming Sunday readings, which helps us better understand scripture, the Gospel message, and how it applies to our lives. Resource books are available for purchase, or bring your bible or smart device. 8:30 - 9:30 am, Serra Center. Contact Paul Ford paulfford@stjohnsem.edu

Gospel Hangout ~ January 2, 3

Virtual hangout to read Sunday's gospel and reflect on how Jesus and his message intersect with our lives. Tuesdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm. For Zoom link: Teresa teresa@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Conversational Spanish ~ January 2, 16

We gather to share faith, fun, and Spanish. Learn and practice Spanish vocabulary, grammar, and conversation to help you gain confidence and feel more comfortable in everyday situations. All levels are welcome. First and third Tuesday, 9:45 - 10:45 am, San Fernando room. Patricia Guzmán spanish@padreserra.org

Healing from Divorce ~ January 2, 16

A support group for those dealing with divorce, whether in the earliest stages of grief, the initial stages of coping with severe changes, or through the worst of it and now looking to move forward, grow, and serve. First and third Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Zoom. Cynthia cynthia@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/divorce

Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ January 3, 10, 17, 24

Join us for prayer and devotion to our Mother Mary on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the church. Madel omphnovenaps@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/prayer

Knitting & Crocheting ~ January 4, 11, 18, 25

A fellowship and service ministry where all skill levels of knitting and crocheting are welcome; if you don't know how, we would love to teach you. Thursdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Carmel rooms. To see our projects from this past year, visit www.padreserra.org/knit. Donna healthysneaker7@gmail.com

Bereavement Support Groups ~ January 4, 18

Grief can be overwhelming and difficult to understand and navigate, but you don't have to do it alone. Our bereavement support groups offer mutual support to those who have lost a loved one through death. Morning session at 10:00 and afternoon session at 2:00. San Fernando room. Betty Bright Martinez (805) 407-3000, bettybright41@gmail.com, visit www.padreserra.org/bereavement

Chronic Pain Support Group ~ January 8

Living (or suffering) with chronic pain is a challenge that can strain both spirits and relationships, but that journey can be lightened by those who understand. Join us as we share our stories, resources, and other life tips. We offer one another comfort, hope, and support, journeying toward God's loving peace. Second Monday, 10:30 am. Marcia mjgalles@gmail.com or Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/chronic-pain

Cancer Support Group ~ January 11

We provide hope, empowerment, love, and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others in a productive and spiritual way. Second Thursday, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, San Fernando room. Contact teresa@padeserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/cancer

Becoming Catholic

Various Paths to Becoming Catholic

We meet every other Tuesday evening in a relaxed setting where you can ask all your questions without judgment or pressure to join the Church. Call or email Mary Huebner today for more information: (805) 482-6417 x321 or becomingcatholic@padreserra.org. Visit www.padreserra.org/becoming-catholic

In the Community

Diaconate Information Day ~ January 14

The Lord called, and Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Is the Lord calling you to the diaconate? The archdiocese is offering a virtual information session from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Any men between the ages of 30 and 55 who feel a possible call to the ministry of deacon are encouraged to contact Fr. Patrick frpatrick@padreserra.org

Giving

"The gift of the Holy Spirit has been bestowed in abundance so that we may live lives of genuine faith and active charity." – Pope Francis

Other Notes

- Find Mass wherever you go! Go to www.masstimes.org.
- Bring back bulletins from your trip to share with Fr. Patrick!
- Take a selfie with a PSP bulletin and send it to photos@padreserra.org
- Stay updated on giving! Visit www.padreserra.org/giving

Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Luke 2:22-40 ~ The Holy Family: A Model of Virtue

The entire episode in today's gospel reflects the virtues of the Holy Family: obedience, faith, patience, and humility. It offers a model for Christian families in living a life centered on God and His purposes. In what ways does my family practice obedience to God's will, similar to the dedication shown by Mary, Joseph, and Jesus? How can I transform my home into a sanctuary that reflects God's love and faithfulness?

Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Mary Ahearn, Blanca Alegria de Rivera, Ronald Anthony, Angela Aparicio, Nicole Barrera, Myra Beltran, Mary Butler, Chris Cartaino, Fermin Cortes, Rita DaCorsi, Ben Fisco, Bobby Floyd Jr., Bobby Floyd III, Joanie Forte, Helen Galang, Jose Galvan, Tim Graf, Wendy Grasso, Jasna Haller, Lisa Hiatt, Barbara Humphrey, Kate Johnson, Eric Johnson, Michael Johnson, Amber Lewing, Matthew Lewing, Sheila Lewing-Floyd, Mary Ellen Massman, Dave McDonnell, Bob McNally, Mandor Medrovich, Thomas Mingay, Ron Mongeau, Dolores Moraza, Ed Morera, Mary Mullen, Flower Nguyen, Ruben Nieva, Maria Luisa Orelan, Daniel Orr, Angela Ortiz, Dave Proett, Mike Robles, Matthew Savage, Laurie Schulze, Irene Siddons, Dorothy Simmons, Bill Stevens, Andrew Tamayo, Silvia Venegas, Terri Vosper, Rita Wronkiewicz, Amanda Yeager, Jerry Zins Sr. and Renata Zozaya Losa (*Names are refreshed monthly.*)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:

Jojappa Addagatla, RIP

Beloved father of Nirmala Bhemisetty

Celia Castañeda Navarro, RIP

May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Funerals

- Monica Tolosa Bravo ~ January 5, 11:00 am
- Dr. Alicia Bryant ~ January 9, 10:00 am

For more information, visit www.padreserra.org/funerals

Safeguard the Children

What is a trial balloon?

One of the best ways safe adults can help children who are suffering from abuse is to recognize and listen to their disclosures — even if they are done in stages or subtle ways. A child may float a "trial balloon" disclosure, meaning he may use a single sentence or phrase to see if a safe adult will respond appropriately. Be on the lookout for sudden disclosures like, "I don't want to go to So-and-so's house anymore," and try responding in a way designed to let the child continue to open up: "Do you want to tell me why?" or "Let's talk about that," for example. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Test Balloons or Trial Balloons" at lacatholics.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Dec-23-24-Trial-Balloons.pdf

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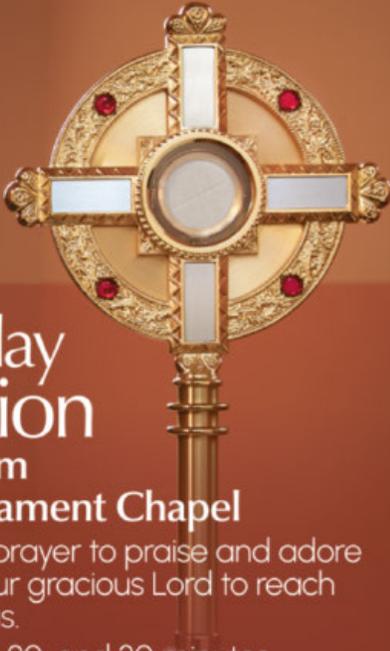
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The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Sunday, December 31
7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am

Monday, January 1
10:00 am

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Maureen Pratt
Tuesday, January 23
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