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JANUARY 2, 2022 · THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD





# Epiphany

## Home Chalk Blessing

### 20 + C + M + B + 21

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  
The + signs represent the cross

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

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To read about the full meaning and the blessing, visit [www.padreserra.org/news/epiphany-home-blessing](http://www.padreserra.org/news/epiphany-home-blessing)



# Blood Drive

## Sunday, January 9

### 8:30 am - 1:45 pm

#### Serra Center

**You can save a life!**

There is a critical blood shortage, but you can help by donating blood at our next drive.

Register at [www.padreserra.org/blood-drive](http://www.padreserra.org/blood-drive)



**CELEBRATING THE BEAUTY AND DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN LIFE**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022**

- 11AM YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS KICK OFF EVENT-OLVERA STREET
- 12PM WALK FOR LIFE
- 1-4PM ONELIFE LA-LA STATE HISTORIC PARK
- 5PM REQUIEM MASS FOR THE UNBORN





**GATHERING**  
**We Three Kings**

Gather #463

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts, we traverse afar  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again;  
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising, gladly raising, worshiping God on high.

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;  
"Alleluia, Alleluia!" sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain

O star of won-der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau-ty bright;  
West-ward lead-ing, still pro-ceed-ing, Guide us to thy per-fect light.

Text: Matthew 2:1-11; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.  
Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, 88 44 6 with refrain; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

**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.

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.

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**Reading 1**  
Isaiah 60:1-6

**Reading 2**  
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

**Gospel Reading**  
Matthew 2:1-12

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Psalm 72: Every Nation On Earth**

Marty Haugen

Ev - 'ry na - tion on earth, ev - 'ry na - tion on  
earth, ev - 'ry na - tion a - dore you, Lord, yes,  
ev - 'ry na - tion on earth.

Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son,  
This one shall be the hope of the needy, the hope of the poor and oppressed.

May he reign while the sun endures for as long as the moon lights the sky.  
Fresh as the rainfall that waters the earth, gifting his people with peace.

He shall reign from sea to sea to the farthest ends of the earth.  
All of the nations shall praise and adore, all peoples will bring him their gifts.

He shall answer the poor when they call and shall hear the ones with no voice;  
mercy and help to the ones who are weak and freedom to all those enslaved.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

“Jubilation Mass”

James Chepponis

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

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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We saw his star at its  
rising and have come  
to do him homage.

Matthew 2:2

**INTERCESSION RESPONSE**

“Mass of the Father’s Love”

Divinum Mysterium, arr. Carol Browning

Hear us Lord, O hear our prayer.

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**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.

**PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS**

What Child Is This

Gather #466

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On  
2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where  
3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come,

Mar - y's lap is sleep - ing, Whom an - gels greet with  
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for  
peas - ant, king, to own him. The King of kings sal -

an - thems sweet While shep - herds watch are keep - ing?  
sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

This, this is Christ the King, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;

Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y.

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898  
Tune: GREENSLEEVES, 8 7 8 7 with refrain; English melody, 16th C.; harm. by John Stainer, 1840-1901

**EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS**

**"Mass of Creation"**

Marty Haugen

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

Gather #198

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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**Invitation to Communion**

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



**COMMUNION SONGS**

**The First Nowell**

Gather #460

The first Nowell, the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
 In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;  
 And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;  
 To seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.

This star drew night to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
 And there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.

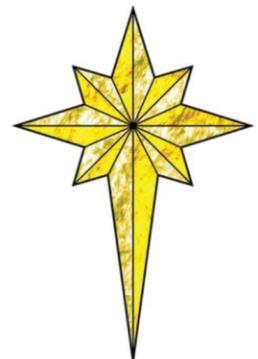
Then entered in those wise men three, full rev'rently upon the knee,  
 And offered there, in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heav'nly Lord;  
 Who with the Father we adore and Spirit blest for evermore.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,  
 Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Text: Irregular with refrain; trad. English Carol, 17th cent.; verse 6, alt. Music: Trad. English Carol, 17th cent.



**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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**Lamb of God**

Gather #204

*Cantor:* Lamb of God, *Assembly:* you take a-way the sins of the  
*To repeat* world, have mer-cy on us.  
*Last time* world, grant us peace.

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**SENDING FORTH**  
Epiphany Carol



1. Ev - 'ry na - tion sees the glo - ry Of a  
2. Ev - 'ry tongue shall sing the prais - es Of his  
3. Once a - gain may we dis - cov - er Word made  
4. Gath - er, God, the world to - geth - er In the



star that pierced the night. As we tell the won-drous  
birth in deep - est night. He is heal - ing for the  
flesh sent from a - bove. In our neigh - bor, sis - ter,  
bright - ness of your day. Fill our hearts with joy for -



sto - ry We are bathed in ra - dant light.  
a - ges; He is Christ, our God's de - light.  
broth - er, In the lone - ly and un - loved.  
ev - er; Help us walk the ho - ly way.



Star sent forth from high - est heav - en, Danc - ing  
He pro - claims with - in his be - ing All our  
May we touch him, may we hold him, May we  
May your jus - tice rule the na - tions; May all



light of God's de - sign, Shine up - on the gift that's  
hopes, our great de - sires. He shall die to rise, re -  
cra - dle him with care As we learn to love each  
peo - ple live as one. Now we see our true sal -



giv - en: Word made flesh now born in time.  
deem - ing All who fol - low with their lives.  
oth - er, Bring - ing hope from out de - spair.  
va - tion In the glo - ry of your Son.

Text: Francis Patrick O'Brien, b.1958, © 2002, GIA Publications, Inc.  
Tune: BEACH SPRING, 8 7 8 7 D; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. by Ronald A. Nelson, b.1927

## Living Epiphany

Dear friends on the journey,

Well, it is officially 2022! Another crazy year is in the books. I hope you experienced more celebrations of life and love than turmoil. Though I know for many among us, 2021 brought heartbreaking loss and grief. Please be assured of my prayers and the support of our parish family as you navigate a new reality in this coming year. I pray this New Year brings us more joy than sadness, more peace than conflict, more wonderment than weariness, more God centeredness than worldliness.

Today's readings for the Feast of the Epiphany are rich with so many messages. We could focus on the theme of gifts. As the Magi brought gifts to the baby Jesus, we can discern the gifts we offer to Jesus using our God-given talents, abilities, and gifts for the betterment of our families, neighborhoods, parish, and the world.

We could reflect on the theme of light as the prophet Isaiah describes the Lord's light that will break through the darkness to shine upon and guide all peoples. The Magi followed the brightest star in the sky, trusting the light would lead them to something wonderful. We could ponder what or whom lights our path. Is it Jesus in his Eucharistic and sacramental presence? Is it God's Word? If it's not, should it be?

The theme of unity could be a topic of conversation. Epiphany means manifestation and so the first and second readings and the gospel speak of Jesus' manifestation in his birth as a gift not just for the Hebrews but also the Gentiles, including the Magi who traveled to pay homage to Jesus. People from all nations and generations are now "coheirs, members of the same body" (Eph 3:6). How can we be more inclusive?

In preparation for this letter, I used the practice of Lectio Divina in order for the Holy Spirit to guide me. What was God calling me to hear in that space and time? The phrase that stood out to me, or the echo, was "having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way." God spoke to them and they listened. Such wisdom and trust to follow God's prompting!

How do we listen *for* God? First, we must acknowledge God's ever presence, desire for us, and constant communication with us. Once we grasp this, the next step is attunement, slowing down to become aware of God's voice and nudges. God speaks in many ways: prayer, dreams, nudges other people and situations. I am becoming particularly aware of God's nudges and shoulder taps, those promptings to take action, to do for others. It might be something as simple as paying for the order of the person behind you in a drive-thru; calling a loved one just to say hello; making eye contact with the homeless person; bringing up the neighbor's garbage cans. How do we listen to God? Well, simply put it is responding to God's shoulder taps by stepping out and just doing it. You cannot go wrong with kindness and generosity.

I have no doubt God nudges you too so I challenge you in this near year to pay attention to those nudges so you can be God's gift, light, and peace for this world in 2022.

*Siempre Adelante,*



Teresa Runyon  
Faith Life Minister



## Children

12 months to Grade 8.

### Little Church

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Happy New Year! No sessions this week, we resume on January 9. Because of the pandemic, only children who are registered may participate. Register today: [www.padreserra.org/registration](http://www.padreserra.org/registration). Contact [soraya@padreserra.org](mailto:soraya@padreserra.org)

### Spark! ~ January 3 and 5

Grades 1 - 5. This week children will learn about Jesus being revealed to us at his baptism.

### Three:Sixteen ~ January 5

Grades 6 - 8. This week children will learn about Jesus being revealed to us at his baptism.

### Living Faith

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home with your kids, this Christmas season. Send your pics to [photo@padreserra.org](mailto:photo@padreserra.org)



## High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

### Confirmation Y1 ~ January 9

Happy New Year! No session today; we resume on January 9. Share with us your pictures of how you live your faith at home. [tere@padreserra.org](mailto:tere@padreserra.org)

### 4:12 ~ January 5

Happy New Year! Join Brett and peer leaders January 5 for fun and fellowship. We meet on most Wednesday nights. Teens make connections, share insights and concerns, and grow in faith. Ask [brett@padreserra.org](http://brett@padreserra.org) or follow us on [Instagram](#).

## Youth Leadership

Everyone 14 to 39ish is welcome!

### Peer Leaders ~ Tuesdays

Peer leaders help engage our Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Ask [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org) to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated. If you are confirmed and are interested in joining our team contact [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

## Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! [www.padreserra.org/young-adults](http://www.padreserra.org/young-adults)

### Bible Study and More

We gather the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. On the first Thursday, we do a Bible study, and on the third Thursday, we play a game. See our Instagram [@pspyoungadult](#) or Facebook [@PadreSerraYA](#) for other events! Contact [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org)

## Adults

### Winter Bible Study ~ Begins January 24

This multi-parish 11-week Bible study will focus on Mary, Hail Holy Queen, facilitated by Rita DaCorsi. Two ways to participate:

**In-person:** Mondays, January 24, 10:00 am at St. Paschal Baylon

**Virtual:** Wednesdays, January 26, 10:00 am via Zoom

Questions/register: [ritadacorsi@yahoo.com](mailto:ritadacorsi@yahoo.com)

### Gospel Hangout ~ January 4, 5

Virtual faith sharing groups, Tuesdays 11:30 am - 12:30 pm and first and third Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 pm. For Zoom link: [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

### Living Liturgy Bible Study ~ January 4, 11, 18, 25

We're back in person for Dr. Paul Ford's weekly reflection and study of the Sunday scriptures, which helps us better understand the good news message of Jesus Christ and how He is present in our lives. Resource books are available for purchase or bring your Bible or smart device. Tuesdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am, Serra Center. Masks required.

### Divorce Support ~ January 4, 18

We offer a welcoming environment for people 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. 7:00 - 8:30 pm, online. Contact Cynthia [cjonescampbell@yahoo.com](mailto:cjonescampbell@yahoo.com)

### Bereavement Support ~ January 6, 20

We offer support to those who have lost a loved one. 10:00 am, San Fernando room. Contact Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 407-3000, [bettybright41@gmail.com](mailto:bettybright41@gmail.com)

**Adults**

**Knitting Ministry ~ January 6, 13, 20, 27**

A fellowship and service ministry where all skill levels of knitting and crocheting are welcome. Thursdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Carmel room. Contact Donna [healthysneaker7@gmail.com](mailto:healthysneaker7@gmail.com)

**First Friday Adoration ~ January 7**

Come spend 10, 30, 60 minutes with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 2:00 - 7:00 pm. [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

**Bible Faith Share ~ January 10, 24, 31**

In-person faith sharing group, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds [sherryr2256@gmail.com](mailto:sherryr2256@gmail.com)

**Becoming Catholic**

**New Year's Resolutions**

Have you or someone you know been thinking about joining the Catholic Church but not yet taken that next step to inquire? At Padre Serra you can join our Inquiry meetings at any time. Now is a great time to begin ... make it one of your New Year's resolutions! For more information please contact Catherine Shaddock at (805) 482-6417 x331 or [catherine@padreserra.org](mailto:catherine@padreserra.org)

**Faith Sharing Question**

*Reflection questions for every gathering around any table*

**Matthew 2:1-12 ~ Jesus is a gift to all humanity.**

As promised, Gentile wise men, guided by the star, recognize Jesus as Messiah even when the Jerusalem sages do not. What are the people or events who have guided you in your relationship with Jesus?

**Giving**

**Fiscal Snapshot (November 2021)**



**Stewardship Means Sharing**

Give God the first serving, the first portion of our gifts. Giving is not based on the church's need for money, but on our need to give back to God as a way to say 'thank you.'



**Prayer Life**

**Weekend Schedule**

- Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass on the Grass
- Sunday, 7:30 am Mass in the church
- Sunday, 9:00 am Mass on the Grass
- Sunday, 11:00 am Mass in the church and livestreamed

**Reconciliation**

- Saturday, 2:30 - 3:30 pm or by appointment: [barbara@padreserra.org](mailto:barbara@padreserra.org) (805) 482-6417 x324

**Weekday Mass**

- Monday to Friday, 8:00 am in the church

**Pray for Our Sick**

Mary Ahearn, Shirley Brown, Michele Burger, Elsa Casillas, Brianna Castillo, Thomas Collins, Wyatt Davis, Jeanne Gaffney, Frances Garcia, Sharon Garcia, Tim Graf, Robin Grant, Jennifer Henderson, Tina Herford, Tom Keens, Chuck Menerey Sr., Ingacia Miyao, Sheila Montgomery, Chuck Purcell, Dorothy Reason, Eric Salas, Katie Simpson, Nicanora Vargas, Jeannie Wilkes and Kylie Wilson. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

**Remember Our Dead**

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

Charles "Tom" McAleer, RIP

Beloved husband of Doris McAleer

*May he enjoy peace in his life with Christ Jesus.*

**Prayer Opportunities**

Daily Readings: [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org)

Parish Book of Intentions: [www.padreserra.org/intentions](http://www.padreserra.org/intentions)

Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime

Bette (805) 482-0067 [bette\\_church@hotmail.com](mailto:bette_church@hotmail.com)

Shirley (805) 482-2617 [brownshehorn@gmail.com](mailto:brownshehorn@gmail.com)

or visit [www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests](http://www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests)

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Blessed Sacrament Chapel: [www.padreserra.org/prayer](http://www.padreserra.org/prayer)

**Other Notes**

**Holiday Office Schedule**

We are closed on Monday, January 3, and reopen with our normal hours on Tuesday, January 4.

**Gluten-Free**

If you are having problems with gluten that are affecting your ability to receive the Body of Christ in Communion, contact Jane (805) 482-6417 x320 or [jane@padreserra.org](mailto:jane@padreserra.org) and give her your name, and the Mass you usually attend.

**Need a Helping Hand?**

If you or someone you love struggles to get from the parking lot to the church or any difficulties with seating in the church, contact Teresa (805) 482-6417 x322 or [teresa@padreserra.org](mailto:teresa@padreserra.org)

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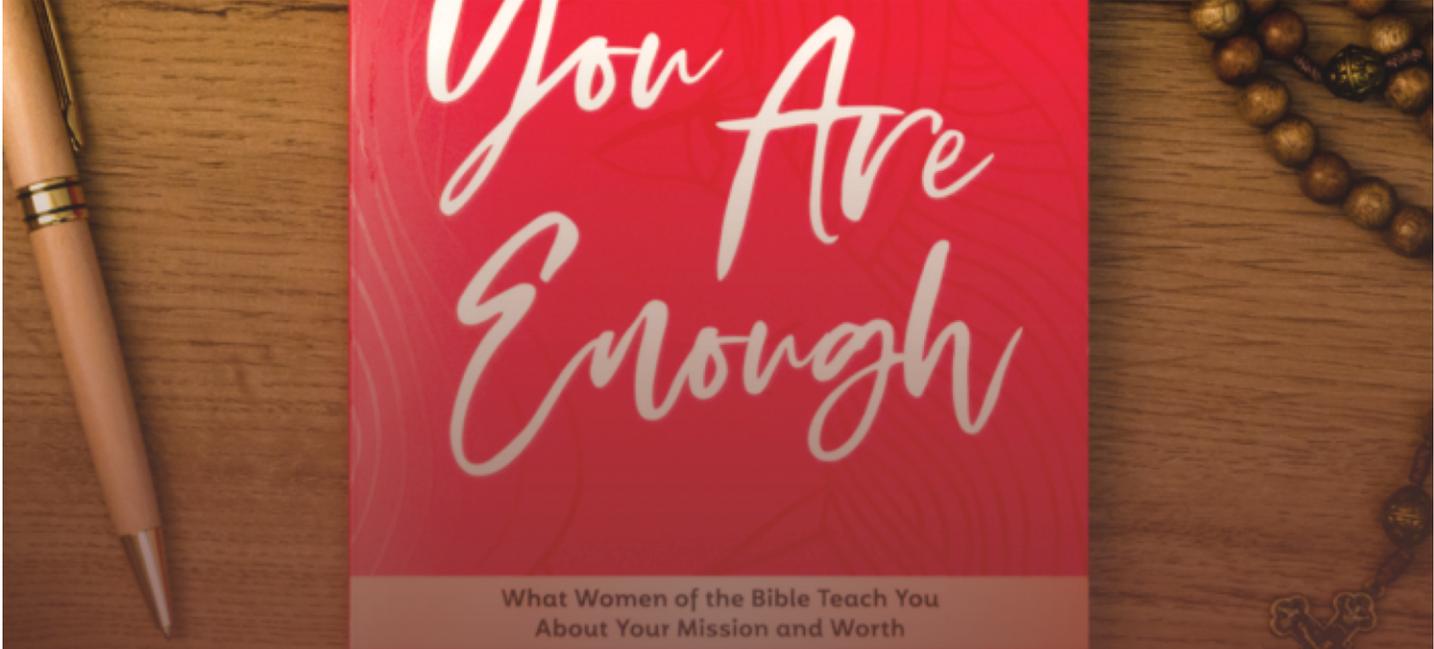
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