

Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

As the Universal Church looks toward the Jubilee Year 2025 (the 2.025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord), the USCCB is thrilled to support the Holy Father in 180r this "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a

trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire ... "

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own

dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors

will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportu-

PILGRIMS nities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.

Pope Francis has asked that the year 2024 be dedicated to a "great symphony" of prayer" as the Church prepares for the Jubilee of 2025. Additional information at www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html

The Madeleine Parish

Find out about the Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy, September 18-28 • Information Meeting January 11 in the Old Madeleine Church • Details Page 5



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FIRST FAITH SHARING GROUP MEETS TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

The Epiphany of the Lord

AS WE CELEBRATE EPIPHANY, our readings today remind us of the power of God's revelation. Throughout history, God has promised salvation. Today we celebrate some of the first witnesses of this great event, the Magi. May we deepen our faith as we, too, journey to be closer to Christ.

Pray for Our Faithfully Departed

- Mark Nava Funeral January 11, 11 am
- Charles Hutton.
- Maura White
- ▶ Sharon Brun
- Ben Ford

Prayer Requests

For those who are ill, or in need of our prayers

- Al Hicks
- David Hickman
- Aaron Stevenson

▶ Brad Werth

- ▶ Bob Burke Ann & Ouenton Czuba
- ▶ Jean Mitchell
 - ► Charli Phipps
- Kitt & Corinne Jordan

Mass Intentions

01/04, Sat	Lavel Davis Jr. †
	The Madeleine Community
10:00 am	John L Turner †
01/07, Tues	Denise Lisac †
01/08, Weds	Christie Kmetz †
01/09, Thurs	James Burger †
01/10, Fri	David Meyers †
01/11, Sat	Christie Kmetz †
01/12, Sun 8:00 am . The Madeleine Community 10:00 am Carl James Tercek †	

Calendar This Week

Sun. January 5

8 am: Mass–Church
10 am: Mass–Church ► ALSO LIVESTREAMS
11:15 am: St Vincent DePaul Meeting– St. Catherine Rm
11:15 am: OCIA Class–Fireside Rm

Monday. January 6

6:30 pm: FA Meeting–Fireside Rm

Tuesday, January 7

Nourish Our Neighbors-Gr.3
8:30 am: Mass—Church
9 am: Adoration—Church
7 pm: Knights of Columbus—Fireside Rm

Wednesday, January 8

8:30 am: Mass–Church7 pm: Madeleine Choir Rehearsal–Church7 pm: Baptism Class–Fireside Rm

Thursday, January 9

2 pm: Mass—Church 6 pm: Metropolitan Youth—Parish Hall

Friday, January 10

School Free Dress
 8:30 am: Mass–Church
 6 pm: Metropolitan Youth–Parish Hall

Saturday, January 11

8 am: KoC Red Cross Blood Drive-Parish Hall

- 11 am: Mark Nava funeral mass—Church Reception follows in Old Madeleine Church
- 4 pm: Confession-Church
- 5 pm: Mass–Church

6 pm: Metropolitan Youth–Parish Hall

6 pm: Parish Pilgrimage Info Night-Old Church

Sunday, January 12

8 am: Mass—Church 10 am: Mass—Church > ALSO LIVESTREAMS 11:15 am: OCIA Class—Fireside Rm

Upcoming Events

Ash Wednesday: March 5

- Easter Sunday: April 20
- Fish Fry: Friday, April 25
- > St. Mary Magdalene Day: July 19

Sleep In Heavenly Peace Thanks You!

We received this note from Mark Miller of Sleep in Heavenly Peace....

One of our favorite holiday traditions is filling our shelves with bedding donated by the generous parishioners from The Madeleine. This year, we collected another 60+ bedding sets during the annual Christmas bedding drive. A few sets did not even make it to the storage shelves and went right out on deliveries that kids slept in that night.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Portland Metro just completed its busiest year yet, building and delivering more than 475 beds in 2024. That brings our total to more than 1100 kids that no longer sleep on the floor in our town! Since our inception in 2019, The Madeleine has been one of our biggest supporters with regular bedding drives and participation in our bunk bed builds. We and the families we assist can't thank you enough!

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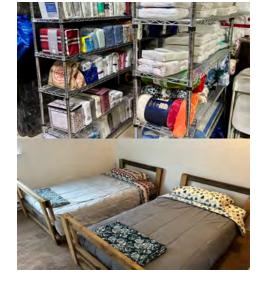
Madeleine Book Club!

Blessings to you this Epiphany weekend! We would like to invite you to join our group of enthusiastic readers in the New Year. For reading list and other details, please contact our ministry coordinator, Gretchen Stevenson at gypsyfrau47@yahoo.com or call 503-312-6834. Sign up now so you don't miss our January post-holiday gathering!

Women's Coffee Club

The New Year is a time for reflection. What are you thinking about as 2025 dawns? Do you have an idea for a future discussion topic? All women of the parish are invited for coffee, cookies, and conversation Monday, January 13, from 10:00 to 11:30 am. We meet upstairs in The Madeleine Old Church gathering space. Access doors are on NE 23rd, where signs are posted.

Once inside, it's easy access to the elevator. Due to security, doors will be unlocked only between 9:30 and 10:15. Have a question or need a ride, contact Jody McDonald 360-870- 5470.



Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

The January 11 Knights of Columbus Red Cross Blood drive is on our doorstep! We are blessed to have about 25% of our appointments filled! And, we hope you will consider going to the site redcrossblood.org and making an appointment today to donate.

Every donation helps save up to 3 lives and what better gift to give this holiday season than to help our neighbors in the new year

So, please use the QR code attached and make your appointment today! The 11th will be here before you know it.



The hope of the world lies in fraternity! And the hope of a fraternal world is Christ, the incarnate Son, sent by the Father so that we may all become what we are, that is, children of the Father who is in heaven, and therefore brothers and sisters among ourselves.

> —Pope Francis via X (Twitter) @pontifex



Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please support the Society of Vincent de Paul so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child. God Bless You

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Weekly Mass Times Regular Mass Times:

Regular mass m	inco.	
	sday, Friday	
Thursday S	School not in sess	ion: 8:30 am
	School in sessi	on: 2:00 pm
Saturday Vigil		
Sunday	8:00 a	m, 10:00 am
Penance		
Adoration	. Tuesdays, 9:00 a	am-2:00 pm

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PARISH & COMMUNITY

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store Now Open

Proceeds benefit programs for neighbors in need • 10 am-6 pm every day

St. Vincent de Paul Portland is excited to announce the opening of our brand-new thrift store! We are now open seven days a week from 10 am to 6 pm at 17108 SE Powell Blvd, Portland, OR 97236. Come visit us and browse our wide selection of clothing, books, furniture, housewares, and more. Donations are also accepted during regular store hours. Proceeds from thrift store sales benefit our food, rent, and utilities assistance programs for our neighbors in need. Whether you are shopping or donating, you are GIVING! Your support of St. Vincent de Paul is greatly appreciated.



Support Our Seminarians: Archdiocesan Seminarian Appeal

The Holy Eucharist is the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source and summit of our Catholic Faith. Our seminarians await the day they can bring the Eucharist to you and your family. As we celebrate the gift of priesthood this Priesthood Sunday, prayerfully consider supporting the Seminarian Appeal. One hundred percent of your donation will go to the formation of priests serving in western Oregon.

Visit **supportourseminarians.church** or call 503-233-8336.



Find out more at our open house.

PreK - 8th Grade

Note from Fr. B: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Some months ago, I started going to St. Rose of Lima Parish—only about two miles away on 54th Avenue—Wednesday evenings from 6 pm–7 pm for Eucharistic Adoration. They have a lovely music-led communal hour of adoration every week at that time. Fr. Matt Libra, the pastor there, and Fr. Tony Galati from St. Charles, and now I offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) during adoration. I am committed to this as a weekly ministry.

For those of you who are looking forward to receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the weeks leading up to Christmas, I would like to invite you to consider this possibility as well. Last year, following Fr. Mike's example from years prior, I offered various office hours for the sacrament during Advent, but this year I will be offering this hour, Wednesday from 6-7, at St. Rose of Lima, and extending Saturday's hours from 3:30-4:40 pm. Otherwise, there are ample opportunities in our neighborhood at the Grotto or at Holy Rosary, and I am always willing to make an appointment with you.

-Fr. Bonaventure

Lifeline for Marriage

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track, the opportunity to rediscover each other, and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Call today (503) 225-9191 ' If we are not at home, please leave a brief message with the best number to return your call and we will be in touch! Visit www.helpourmarriage.org for program information and emotional testimonials. For confidential information or to register for the January 31-February 2 at the Canby Grove Retreat Center in Canby, Oregon, call now (503) 225-9191.

> Throw open the doors of your heart. Everyone knows how to do it. Everyone knows whether their door is closed or half-closed. I wish you a great Jubilee.

> > —Pope Francis via X (Twitter) @pontifex

The Madeleine Parish 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage

Celebrate The Jubilee Year of the Church at the Shrines of Italy: Assisi | Rome | San Giovanni Rotondo

- > September 18–28, 2025 (Optional 6-day extension to Medjugorje, Bosnia-Hercegovina & Dubrovnik, Croatia)
- Priest: Fr. Bonaventure Rummell
- Escorted by: Maria and Michael Kissinger (In cooperation with 206 Pilgrimage Travel)

Informational meeting on Saturday, January 11 at 6:30 pm

Join us in The Old Madeleine Church to discuss the details of the pilgrimage, including price, hotels, etc. and answer any questions. No obligation to sign-up at this time, however you may choose to pay a deposit of \$500 to hold your spot. Space limited to 35–40 people.

Highlights of your Itinerary:

- Assisi—After arriving in Rome, we begin our Pilgrimage in Assisi, Italy—the heart of the Umbria region and the hometown of St. Francis. With its picturesque cobblestone streets and geranium window baskets, Assisi IS Italy! We will spend 3 nights in Assisi, where we will visit the Basilica of St. Francis, pray at the tomb of St. Francis and view the famous Giotto frescoes depicting his life. We will also visit the Basilica of St. Clare where Francis was called to rebuild his church. Finally, we will pray at the Church of St. Mary of the Angels, which houses the original church of St. Francis. There will be free time to enjoy the spirituality and beauty of Assisi and the surrounding area at your leisure. Optional day trip by train to Florence, Italy.
- ▶ San Giovanni Rotondo—Travel from Assisi to San Giovanni Rotondo for an overnight trip to celebrate the Feast of St. Padre Pio. Join thousands of Pilgrims in a candlelight procession and mass at the Sanctuary of St. Pio. As we travel along the beautiful Gargano Peninsula we will stop for mass at the Grotto of St. Michael the Archangel and other holy sites as time allows. Our Pilgrimage continues in Rome, where we will spend the next several days immersed in this majestic city.
- ▶ **Rome**—While in Rome, we will celebrate the Jubilee Year of the Church (the Year of Hope) with pilgrims from all over the world. This is an opportunity of a lifetime! In addition to our scheduled itinerary we will have an opportunity to join in special activities specifically for the Jubilee Year. Among our scheduled activities, we will attend the Papal Audience at St. Peter's Basilica, with guided tours of the Basilica of St. Peter and the Sistine Chapel. We will also visit and celebrate Mass at the Catacombs of Priscilla, where the early Christians worshipped. Our Pilgrimage will also include guided visits to The Basilicas of St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. John Lateran and the exquisite Church of Santa Maria Maggiore. It is said that Pilgrims who walk through the doors of these Holy churches during a Jubilee Year receive special graces! We will also have an opportunity to see the Pantheon, Colosseum, Piazza Navona, and throw a coin in the Trevi Fountain before traveling back to the USA or to Dubrovnik, Croatia.
- ▶ Optional Extension; Medjugorje & Dubrovnik—We arrive in Dubrovnik and travel to Medjugorje—nestled in the hills of Bosnia- Hercegovina. Medjugorje is a place of peace and prayer like no other on earth. Our time in Medjugorje will include such activities as daily Holy Mass; climbing Cross Mountain and Apparition Hill for those that are able; attending talks with the visionaries (if available); or just spending time with the locals and sharing in the faith journey of others—a true spiritual experience. From there, the final two days of our optional extension will be spent in the beautiful city of Dubrovnik, Croatia.

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History

The word *Epiphany* comes from the Greek, *epiphaneia*, meaning "manifestation" or "appearance." This feast originated in the Eastern Church and was celebrated on January 6th to commemorate the many instances of "God shining forth," including the birth of Christ, the visit of the Magi, and Christ's baptism in the Jordan. It was also considered by many to be a Christian fulfillment of the Jewish *Festival of Lights*. In the West, the Nativity developed as a separate and specific feast, with official references to the Epiphany not coming until 361. Epiphany concluded a twelve day festival—"the twelve days of Christmas"—that has also been called *Christmastide*. Catholics in the United States now celebrate Epiphany, not on January 6th, but on the second Sunday after Christmas. The Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Sunday after

Epiphany and marks the end of the Christmas season.

The Light of Christ

Theologically, the Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of the Messiah to the Gentiles. The Magi story appears exclusively in Matthew's Gospel because this evangelist emphasizes the universal nature of Christ's message. Thus, Epiphany helps establish and inspire the Church's mission of evangelization. The light of Christ is not to be hidden or hoarded: "Your light must shine before others" (Matthew 5:16). Epiphany is also about enlightened awareness, as when we have an "epiphany moment." Upon viewing the baby Jesus, the aged Simeon proclaims the twin grace of the Messiah as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32).

The Search Continues

What was true for the Magi remains true for us today as we continue our search for God. In the darkness of our lives, we look for a staras in the beloved Christmas carol, We Three Kings—to "guide us to thy perfect light." Many are distracted by the lights of artificial fame and fortune, but true and wise believers open themselves to the experience of being drawn to God's presence in themselves and their lives. The Epiphany proclaims the truth that we are called to a life reordered by our experience of God's presence.

Three Manifestations of Christ

Traditionally, three separate Gospel readings were integral parts of the Epiphany liturgy: the Magi worshipping the baby Jesus, the baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast of Cana. In Cycle C of the liturgy, these Gospel passages follow one another each week beginning with Epiphany. Each of these three events expresses something of the depth and breadth of the mystery of Incarnation as it unfolds in the life of Christ and in us.

The Visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the Gospel for Epiphany Sunday, is most commonly associated with the manifestation of Jesus' divinity to the whole world.

The Baptism of the Lord (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22) is Christ's revelation to the Jews and prefigures his descent into his own death and rising in the resurrection.

The Wedding Feast of Cana (John 2:1-11) is Jesus' revelation of the power of his own divinity to his apostles and disciples. The new wine, the best wine saved for last, symbolizes the message of the Gospel.



Epiphany Morning Prayer

Father, you revealed your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to your glory in heaven by the light of faith. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen —The Liturgy of the Hours

MATTHEW'S MAGI STORY

Matthew's magi story (2:1-12) reads like the gospel in miniature. Its themes echo the rest of the gospel: Jesus comes into the world—and also into each person's life—demanding a decision about how to respond to his presence and invitation to a relationship. Some will reject him and some will accept him, as do these wise foreigners who studied the stars and saw in them the new star-sign of a great king who was worthy to be worshiped by all people.

So they journeyed to an obscure village in the Roman province of Judea where they found a child to whom they gave gifts as tokens of his royal birth. For the first time, the Gentiles honor the Jew who was God's promised messiah, and in fact, the Son of God, who in turn offers them the gift of salvation.

WHO WERE THE MAGI?

The story of the Magi traveling from the East to see the Christ child appears only in Matthew's Gospel. The word *Magi* (Greek *magoi*) means a learned scholar or sage. The Magi (possibly Zoroastrian astrologers from Persia) interpreted a bright star in the Eastern skies as a sign that a great king was to be born. According to St. Ignatius of Antioch (who lived in the first century AD), "A star shone forth in heaven above all the other stars, the light of which was inexpressible, while its novelty struck people with astonishment" (Letter to the Ephesians, 19). The wise men followed this star to Bethlehem of Judea, and upon arriving they wor-

shipped the infant Jesus and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Numerous traditions not directly based on Matthew's Gospel have grown up about the Magi. Typically we think of there being three wise men because of the number of gifts, but Matthew doesn't disclose the exact number. Since the third century, Christian writers have



referred to them as kings, even though Matthew doesn't specifically tell us that they were royalty. Their names, Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar date to the 6th century and are generally thought to represent kings from India, Persia and Arabia respectively.

Where Is Your Star?

For the Magi, following their star led to their cherished reward. They found their king, offered their gifts, and then got involved in a plot that required not only their quick-thinking but also their dedication to a king and a cause that they knew very little of.

Like these Magi, someone or something has been the star that sparked our interest in Jesus, that drew us either rapidly or reluctantly to him, and that involved us in a life and death story that demands all of our gifts and our full dedication so that he might live and rule!

