

# Saint Athanasius Church

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## MASS SCHEDULE/Horario de Misas

(All Masses are outdoors for up to 100 people)

### Vigil (Saturday):

**4:00p.m.** (English)

**6:00p.m.** (Español)

**Sunday (Domingo): 9:00a.m.** (Bilingual)

**11:00a.m.** (English-Livestream)

**1:00p.m.** (Español-Transmisión en vivo)

### Daily Masses/Misas Diarias: (Bilingüe)

Monday - Friday: **9:00 a.m.** (Bilingual)

-Outdoors

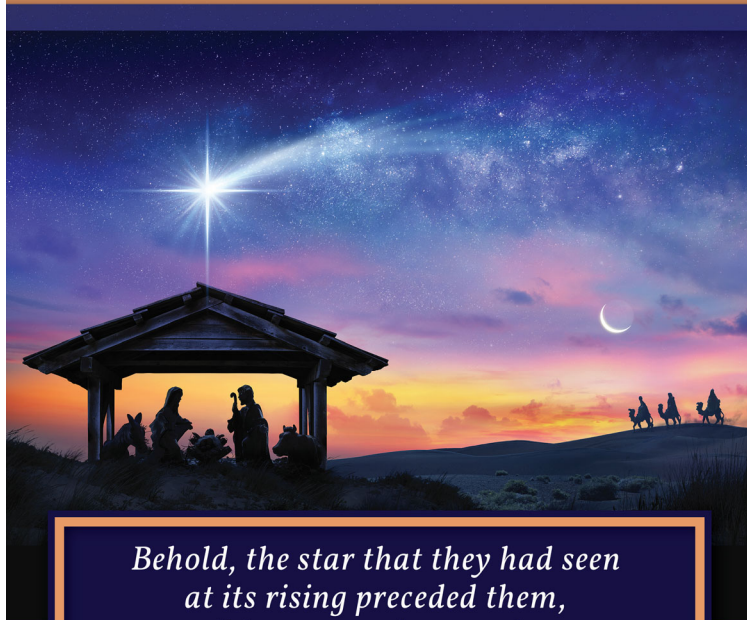
## RECONCILIATION / CONFESIONES (outdoors)

Saturday/sábado: **5:00 p.m.** (Bilingual)

or by appointment with the Priest / Por cita.

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 3, 2021



*Behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.*

*Matthew 2:9*

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm :72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

# SAINT ATHANASIUS

## The Epiphany of the Lord

When I tell a story, I have a friend who prefers the “nutshell version” first. After that she’ll listen to me ramble, but she wants to know the main point right off the bat. When reading and hearing Sunday scriptures one may often find the nutshell by looking at the responsorial psalm or the Gospel acclamation. From Psalm 72 we hear “Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.” The verse for the Gospel acclamation is Matthew 2:2 “We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” As a weary world, we need to see the light, to follow with our actions and our words. This is the same hope that is echoed in Isaiah 60:2 “See, darkness covers the earth, / and thick clouds cover the peoples; / but upon you the LORD shines, / and over you appears his glory.” Don’t give up, friends. You must shine!

### SEARCHING

In Matthew’s Gospel today we see two extremely different perspectives, two different reasons for searching for Jesus. In some ways, this resembles the polarization of our nation in today’s time. What one group sees as good for the nation, those with opposing views think will wreck the country. The Magi were astrologers who saw a vision in the sky and were trying to find a way to follow it and discover the new king of the Jews. Herod heard about this king, and his reaction was dark and negative. He saw the birth of such a king as a threat to his power as the Roman leader of the country and wanted the Magi to pass on to him what they knew about this Christ child. Similarly, on a more personal level, we can either feel threatened or excited by changes that may come, depending on our perspective.

### GIVING HOMAGE

In our minds, it is easy to mix up bits and pieces from Luke’s account of the shepherds coming to see Jesus in the stable and the story of the magi. Clearly, it has taken the magi time to get here, and the reading speaks of them coming to the house where the star led them. Nevertheless, they “prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures . . .” How do we do this? Do we continue looking for Jesus, even if it takes a while and he is not where we expect to see him? Are we paying attention to the signs showing us the way? What gifts do we have with which to pay him homage? After seeing him, the Magi were warned in a dream not to go back the way they came. But if we have seen the Christ child, how can we go back to where we were? We must continue to respond to God’s call to move forward and grow in our lives. We must seek the right and just path and turn away from the “Herods” and inherent evils in our life.

Nutshell: Seek God. Pay homage. Amen.

Today’s Readings: Is 60:1–6; Ps 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Eph 3:2–3a, 5–6; Mt 2:1–12

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## Mass Intentions For The Week



**Sat (02) 5:00** Darren Dychioco -- Thanksgiving (T)  
7:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sun (03) 9:00** \_\_\_\_\_  
**11:00** Darren Dychioco -- Thanksgiving (T)  
Juliana Calderon -- Deceased (†)  
Lucille Bianco -- Deceased (†)  
**1:00** Jorge Vargas & Fam -- Spec. Int (S.I.)  
Abigail Vela -- 35th Death Anniv. (†)

**Mon (04) 9:00** Darren Dychioco -- Thanksgiving (T)  
Juliana Calderon -- Deceased (†)

**Tue (05) 9:00** Maria Abreu -- Deceased (†)  
Juliana Calderon -- Deceased (†)

**Wed (06) 9:00** Maya Angelica Villareal -- Birthday (B)

**Thu (07) 9:00** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fri (08) 9:00** \_\_\_\_\_

†—Deceased; T—Thanksgiving;  
S.I.—Special Intention; B—Birthday; S—Sick

### Death Anniversary Remembrance Week of January 3rd

Nieves A. De Vera  
Charles A. Manning  
Charles A. Rossi  
Mona Sana Sivila  
Manuel D. Urango  
Maria R. Ylate  
Mario Ambra  
Wyatt Lee Coffman  
Gene Norton  
Theodore Blanchard  
Robert Dirrim  
Troadio Domayas  
Claire Stead  
Anastacio Yumul  
Enos Cortinas

Richard Herzing  
Martin (Pat) Mongan  
Socorro Rangel Trujillo  
Tecla Cauton Briones  
Kathleen Harper  
Janet Parker  
Florentina Roquero  
Palmyra Thompson  
Louise Cortinas  
Martita N. Oseguera  
Carl Pyle  
Frank Valette  
Eladio Ventura  
Stanley Palmyra  
Frank Peredez

**REST IN PEACE**



### Please Pray for the Sick

Julie Hidalgo, Gloria Ramirez, Ellen Poso,  
Soledad Jara, Danilo Fidel, JoAnne Arnold,  
Isaura Aguilar, Romulo Prieto, Bernie Barron,  
Josephine Sierras, Vi Brietich  
Michael Fernandez, and Joel Villareal.

### STAY CONNECTED!

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# The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3rd, 2021



This Weekend's 2nd Collection is for our  
**PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND**  
*Thank you for your generosity and support!*

*"Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays, and he will give back to you sevenfold" (Sirach)*

Daily Masses Dec 14 - 18	
9:00 AM	\$313.00
Saturday/Sábado December 19	
5:00 PM	\$457.00
7:00 PM	\$234.00
Sunday / Domingo December 20	
9:00 AM	\$72.00
11:00AM	\$174.00
1:00 PM	\$579.00
Mail In / Por Correo	\$6,814.00
Online Giving	\$195.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,838.00</b>
Goal / Meta	<b>\$6,000</b>
Variance/ Diferencia	<b>\$2,838.00</b>

**Due to early bulletin deadline, the total for the Sunday Collection of December 26 & 27 is not available.**



Thank you for your continued support during this tough period.  
If you are not able to join us in-person, please make your Sunday offering online, scan the QR code with your smart phone or visit:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/athanasius>

You can also mail in (160 N Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View, CA 94043) or drop off your Sunday contribution to the Parish office.



## Keeping Families House - Workshop 2

An additional workshop will be held on Jan. 31st from 6:30pm to 8:30pm assisting families being effected with the threat of eviction.

Thousands of families throughout our community are unable to pay rent. How can parishes help and understand how to respond to this crisis? Learn about the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020 and inform your community. To register visit: [www.dsj.org/evangelization/social-ministries/resources/](http://www.dsj.org/evangelization/social-ministries/resources/) #KeepingFamiliesHoused

## Saturday Mass Schedule Change (Effective January 2nd, 2021)

Effective January 2nd, 2021 the Saturday mass schedule will be as follow,


English Vigil Mass 4:00 pm  
Spanish Vigil Mass 6:00 pm

Confessions will be at 5 pm (Bilingual)


Following the Santa Clara County Health Department restrictions, all Masses are outdoors for up to 100 persons.

# EPIPHANY


## What Can I Give?



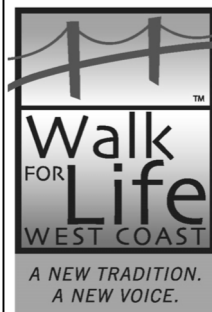
**GOLD**- reminds us to share generously the bounty we have recieved.



**FRANKINCENSE**- Invites us to offer to God all that is poignant in our lives - the grand as well as the awful.



**MYRRH**- The bitterness leads us to an evermore faithful and courageous embrace of life's sacrifices.



## 17th Annual Walk for Life Update!

Choose Life! Yes, the 2021 Walk for Life West Coast is happening!

On January 23, 2021 the 17th Annual Walk for Life West Coast will begin with a Mass at the Plaza of St. Mary's Cathedral, and an abbreviated rally will be held at Civic Center Plaza, followed by the Walk down Market Street to the Ferry Building.

There has never been a more important time to stand for the littlest and most vulnerable among us!

Due to possible changes during this time of uncertainty, visit [walkforlifewc.com](http://walkforlifewc.com) and sign up for the newsletter to receive important updates.

For those who cannot attend, EWTN will broadcast the event live. For more information visit [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com)

## Men's Virtual Discernment Weekend

January 29-31, 2021

Is God calling you to the priesthood? In this retreat you will have the chance to explore the priesthood, listen to priest's vocation stories and learn about steps for discernment, values of priestly life and the structure of seminary formation during a weekend of prayer, discussions & fraternity. For more information or contact [vocations@dsj.org](mailto:vocations@dsj.org).



**LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR**

3 DE ENERO DE 2021

*De pronto la estrella que habían visto surgir, comenzó a guiarlos, hasta que se detuvo encima de donde estaba el niño.*

Mateo 2:9

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**La Epifanía del Señor**

**BUSCANDO**

En el Evangelio de hoy de Mateo vemos dos perspectivas extremadamente diferentes, dos razones diferentes para buscar a Jesús. En cierto modo, esto se parece a la polarización de nuestra nación en el tiempo actual. Lo que un grupo ve como bueno para la nación, quienes tienen puntos de vista opuesto piensan que eso arruinará el país. Los Reyes Magos eran astrólogos que vieron una visión en el cielo y trataban de encontrar una forma de seguirla y descubrir al nuevo rey de los judíos. Herodes escuchó acerca de este rey y su reacción fue oscura y negativa. Él vio el nacimiento de tal rey como una amenaza a su poder como líder romano del país y pidió a los Reyes Mayos le dijeran lo que sabían sobre ese niño mesías. De igual manera, en un nivel más personal, ya sea que nos podamos sentir amenazados o emocionados por los cambios que puedan venir, dependiendo de nuestra perspectiva.

**DANDO HOMENAJE**

En nuestras mentes, es fácil mezclar pedazos y piezas del relato de Lucas que cuenta acerca de los pastores que vinieron a ver a Jesús en el establo y la historia de los magos. Claramente, a los magos les tomó tiempo llegar hasta ahí y la lectura habla de ellos yendo a la casa donde la estrella los guiaba. Sin embargo, “se postraron y le rindieron homenaje. Luego abrieron sus tesoros . . . “

¿Cómo lo hacemos? ¿Seguimos buscando a Jesús, aunque tarde un poco y no esté donde esperamos verlo? ¿Estamos atentos a las señales que nos indican el camino? ¿Qué regalos tenemos para rendirle homenaje? Después de verlo, en un sueño los magos fueron advertidos de no regresar por donde habían ido. Pero si ya vimos al niño Jesús, ¿cómo podemos regresar por donde estábamos? Debemos seguir respondiendo al llamado de Dios para avanzar y crecer en nuestras vidas. Debemos buscar el camino justo y correcto y alejarnos de “Herodes” y de los males propios de nuestra vida.

En pocas palabras: Busca a Dios. Rinde homenaje. Amén.

Las lecturas de hoy: Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Efe 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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La segunda colecta de este fin de semana es para nuestro **Fondo de Mantenimiento** Se les agradece su generosidad



**¡Marcha por la Vida 2021!**

¡Elige la Vida! ¡Sí, la Caminata por la Vida de la Costa Oeste del 2021 va a darse a cabo!

El 23 de enero del 2021, la 17a Caminata Anual por la Vida de la Costa Oeste comenzará con una misa en la Plaza de la Catedral de St. Mary, y se llevará a cabo una pequeña manifestación en la Plaza del Centro Cívico, seguida de la Caminata por la Calle Market hasta el Ferry Building. .

¡Nunca ha habido un momento más importante para defender a los más pequeños y vulnerables entre nosotros! Debido a los posibles cambios durante este tiempo de incertidumbre, visite [walkforlifewc.com](http://walkforlifewc.com) y suscríbese al boletín para recibir actualizaciones importantes.

**Cambio de Horario de Misas de sábado (A partir del 2 de enero del 2021)**

A partir del sábado 2 de enero del 2021, el horario de Misas de vigilia será el siguiente,

**Misa de inglés a las 4:00 pm**

**Misa en español a las 6:00 pm**

**Las confesiones serán a las 5 pm (Bilingüe)**

Siguiendo las restricciones de seguridad del departamento de salud del condado de Santa Clara, las Misas siguen siendo al aire libre para hasta 100 personas.



**DISTRIBUCION DE COMIDA POR AUTO**

En la Iglesia de San Atanasio

**Sábado 9 de enero**

de las 10 am a las 12pm

No se necesita previa registraci3n - Las registraci3nes se hacen el d3a de la distribuci3n. Si le gustaria ayudar, favor de contactar a la oficina parroquial a [Athanasius@comcast.net](mailto:Athanasius@comcast.net)

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**BAUTIZOS**

La próxima fecha para bautizar será **el 16 de enero a las 11 AM.**

(Se requiere previa registraci3n).

Llame para una entrevista inicial (650) 961-8600.

*¡No olvide de patrocinar a los negocios que se enlistan en la parte de atrás de nuestro boletín dominical. Tenga en mente decirles que usted vio el anuncio de su negocio en el Boletín de San Atanasio!*

**Mission Statement for St. Athanasius Parish --“St. Athanasius Church’s mission is to build disciples of Jesus Christ and assist them in responding to God’s call to love and to serve”**

**Misión de la Parroquia de San Atanasio -- "La Misión de la Iglesia de San Atanasio es construir discípulos de Jesucristo y ayudarles a responder el llamado de Dios a amar y servir"**

**ST. ATHANASIUS BEREAVEMENT, COMFORT AND SUPPORT GROUP**

Meets every 4th Friday of the month via Zoom at 7PM.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://dsj.zoom.us/j/93448077349>

Meeting ID: 934 4807 7349

One tap mobile

+16699006833,,93448077349# US (San Jose)

Dial by location

For details, please call (650) 961-8600.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament the First Friday of the month starting after 9:00 AM Mass outside the church. Benediction will be at 11 AM.

**Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento**

El primer Viernes del mes a las 7:30PM al aire libre.

**ST. PAUL DISCIPLESHIP GROUP**

If you have missed connecting and praying with your fellow parishioners, we invite you to visit the St. Paul Discipleship Group virtual meeting **Tuesday nights from 8:30pm-10pm**. The meetings consist of prayer, reflection on our faith journeys in general and on evangelization in particular, and the daily readings.

Email the parish office at [Athanasius@comcast.net](mailto:Athanasius@comcast.net) for the Zoom meeting details.

**DRIVE THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

Saint Athanasius Church  
**Saturday, January 9th**

from 10 am to 12pm

No Registration Needed Beforehand - Registration will be done on-site. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office at [Athanasius@comcast.net](mailto:Athanasius@comcast.net)

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**Sábado 9 de enero**  
**de las 10 am a las 12pm**

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**BULLETIN EMAILS**

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**Sacrament Preparation for Children & Teens**

Preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (Grades 2-12) and for Confirmation (Grades 9-12) is a one year process. For more information please contact the Parish Office at (650) 961-8600 Ext 100.

**Faith Formation for Children, Teens and Adults**

Our Faith Formation program seeks to empower our most important Catechists—our parents—to guide the faith formation of their children. We deepen our faith in Jesus through Scripture stories, reflection, prayer and seasonal celebrations in large and small groups. For more information, please contact our Parish Office at (650) 961-8600 Ext 100.

**Baptism of Children**

(English & Spanish)

Parents are invited to contact our parish office at (650) 961 8600 to set up an appointment for an initial interview with one of our priests. Parents and Godparents are required to attend an online Baptismal preparation session prior to the Baptism. No Baptism date can be set until the interview with the priest. Children age 7 or above are required to participate in our Children’s Faith Formation program to prepare for this sacrament.

All Baptisms are outdoors the **3rd Saturday of the month.**

**10 am in English**

**11 am en espa3ol**

*Favor de llamara al a oficina (650) 961 8600 Ext. 100 para hacer una cita para una entrevista inicial con uno de nuestros sacerdotes. Todos los Bautizos son al aire libre el 3er s3bado del mes.*

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Parish volunteers serve the needy of our area through our Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance program. Interested Parishioners are welcome to join us at our board meetings held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm, to see how we carry out our mission.

**ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTIONS**

BIRTH AND BEYOND (331) 444-5433

12 N White Rd #5, San Jose, CA 95127

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

For burial information and pre-planning assistance, please call **888-715-2150**. We help you meet eternal life with faith, hope, and love.



**Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults / Oficina de Protección de Niños y Adultos Vulnerables**

Diocese of San Jose– Anthony Gonzalez (408) 983-0113

**Emergency Line:** (408) 983-0144.

<https://opcva.ethicspoint.com>.

# Giving Tree 2020



Thank you for your generous donations to the Giving Tree Program. 144 families came to our parking lot to pick up the gift cards for over 400 children last Saturday. Together, we raised over \$6,400 and purchased a \$35 Target gift card for every child and an additional \$35 gift card for each family. The families were excited and grateful for the gifts during this time. Special thanks to Fr. Walter for supporting our program, St. Simon's SVDP, and gift card donations from St. William's and St. Nicholas Church. We have accomplished "Mission Impossible: in the pandemic. A big thank you to all of you for responding to God's call. Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas!



# Christmas 2020 at Saint Athanasius



"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Luke 2:14