

St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church

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*We saw his star in the East
and have come to worship Him.*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

“Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”

Isaiah 60:1



The feast of the Epiphany of the Lord celebrates the revelation that the infant Jesus is not only the newborn King of the Jews – his origins are divine and his destiny is to suffer and die for the salvation of his people.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, Jan. 7: Saint André Bessette

9:00 a.m., Pasquale Zito by Blanche Foley

Wednesday, Jan. 8: St. Raymond of Penyafort

10:30 a.m., Soul of Terry Dooley by Terry Normoyle

Thursday, Jan 9: Weekday

Blessings on Guy and Cecilia Bowie
by Terry Normoyle

Friday, Jan. 10: Weekday

For All Parishioners

Saturday, Jan. 11: Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m., For All Parishioners

Sunday, Jan. 12: Baptism of the Lord

9:00 a.m., Gisele Sallafranque by
Adeline Lovesy and Family

10:30 a.m., For All Parishioners

We pray for those who have died and for those who mourn them.

We pray for the sick of our Parish, especially for:

Brenda Barrington, Gerti Chapman, Ed Daudlin,
Jim Farrell, Elza Feher, Francis Fleury, Jodi Graham,
Norina Lachance, Robert LaRose, Marc Marshall,
Elizabeth McDonell, Andrée McKenzie,
Stella Normoyle, Margaret O’Doherty, Mary Parks,
Myra Anne Powell, Emily Rozsa, Mary Ruffo,
Anna Reddigan, Pat Redmond, Jean-Marie Stewart,
Sylvia Zito

Ministers of the Liturgy

Jan. 11 4:30 p.m.

Commentator Gerry Sullivan

Lector Pat Giesler

Ciborium Diane O’Gorman

Jan. 12 9:00 a.m.

Commentator David Darwin

Lector Tracy MacAulay

Ciborium Lyanne Fuller

Jan. 12 10:30 a.m.

Commentator Anthony Adu

Lector Charlene O’Reilly

Ciborium Susan Taylor



St. Elizabeth Parish Altar Servers:



4:30 p.m. Barry O’Gorman,

Joe Legari, Mike Yantha,

Anthony Adu

9:00 a.m. Nonye Kagwachie

10:30 a.m. Guilor Fernandez,

Bella Fernandez, Angel O’Reilly, Joseph Uwayezu,
Rodrigue Uwuukiza, Imena Ame, Tristan Kymaka

Parish Events This Week

Tuesday: Scripture Study/Reflection, 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday: RCIA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:00 p.m.

Thursday: Seniors Gathering, 12 – 4 p.m.

Thursday: Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Knights Bottle Drive, 9:30 a.m.

Canadian Tire Money Count: \$ 250.78

Thank you for supporting the work and ministry of St. Elizabeth Parish.

General Collection Dec. 22: \$ 1,843.30

Christmas Collection Dec. 25: \$ 5,515.57

General Collection Dec. 29: \$ 2,168.10

Sunday offerings for Maintenance Fund: \$ 0

Sunday offerings for Poor Fund: \$ 37.00

Bequests and Wills

In your kindness, please remember St. Elizabeth Parish in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added to a will or added by codicil: *“I give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$... to St. Elizabeth Church, Ottawa, to be used in the administration of the pastoral activities of the parish.”*

Biblical Readings for Year A: Gospel of Matthew



In the three-year cycle of readings we return to Year A which focuses on the Gospel of Matthew.

Matthew is written by a Jew for a Jewish Christian community. He delights in quotations from the Old Testament. He is clearly familiar with Jewish traditions.

His gospel contains numerous Jewish texts or practices which he does not attempt to explain. Nor is he afraid to be anti-Jewish. The Pharisees, probably a worthy enough group of men, are painted with broad black brush strokes.

The purpose of a Jewish gospel is clear enough. Jesus is the Messiah and the Church is the new Israel. The gospel provides Jewish Christians with the means of knowing their Christian faith and growing in it. Where the Church was becoming increasingly Greek, populated by Greeks and dominated by Greek religious ideas, Matthew's gospel retained and promoted the Jewish root and the Jewish fulfillment.

The Gospel of Matthew is modeled on the Books of Moses, the Pentateuch. The Old Testament begins with the Books of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. Said to be written by Moses, they tell the story of the escape from Egypt, the wandering in the desert and the gift of the Law. The books which follow tell of the conquest and settlement of the Promised Land. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus is the new Moses, leading his people from slavery to freedom, confusion to clarity. The Gospel leads us through five great sermons. Like the Promised Land of Moses, they lead us to the reality of the Church.

Jesus is the great Teacher. He tries to call his audience to a loving relationship with God, first by reducing the Ten Commandments to two which govern our relationships, and by his own personal invitation to a loving relationship with the Father through him. Jesus does not cease to teach a far more demanding, interior and spiritual morality than was ever required by Israelite laws, prophets, sages or scribes.

For Matthew, the Church is the Kingdom, and the Church is the people called out of all nations to be God's new Chosen People, the true Israel, comprising Jews and Gentiles in equality and harmony. Matthew calls all members of the Church to be humble, exemplary and zealous; to have the fraternal charity to correct one another, to pray continually and to forgive our debtors.

Matthew is not as refreshingly candid as Mark, as lovingly compassionate as Luke, or as deeply mystical as John. But there are unique values in Matthew, without which we would be the poorer, values which revolve around the portrait of Jesus the Teacher and Jesus the founder of the New Israel. They offer an opportunity to explore the almost-forgotten Jewish roots of our faith and to touch the full maturity of Christ our Head.



Ladies Auxiliary Coffee Sunday:

Please join the Ladies Auxiliary who will be hosting their Bake Sale in the parish hall this Sunday, after the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. masses. All are welcome to attend.

Envelopes for 2014: If you are not currently receiving envelopes but would like to receive them please call the parish office or leave a note in the collection basket with your name on it in order to receive a proper income tax receipt.



Bottle Drive for Special

Olympics: Join the Knights of Columbus in support of this great cause! Saturday, January 11 at 9:30 a.m. till 2:30 p.m. in the St.

Elizabeth parking lot. For more information contact Guy Bowie at 613.729.3305.

Christmas Hampers: We thank the Ladies Auxiliary who, on behalf of the parish, prepared four Christmas Hampers for those requiring assistance this year. Their dedication to this project has helped to brighten the Christmas season for those in need.

Archbishop's Reception for the Feast of the Epiphany:

At the Archbishop's Residence on Sunday, January 5, 3:00 p.m. The Archbishop will receive members of the faithful and the general public to exchange greetings for the New Year. Children are invited to dress up as angels, shepherds and magi. All are welcome.

Ministry for Separated and Divorced Catholics:

The Journey of Hope is a 17 week program designed to foster healing and support for anyone experiencing the pain of a marriage breakdown. Course for women begins January 14. Participation fee: \$25 (program workbook). Info/registration: Deacon Peter Lafleur (plafleur@archottawa.ca)

Goodness & Beauty of Man:

"Holy Manhood". Welcome to all men wanting to be renewed in their Catholic faith and have fellowship with other men seeking to grow in their life as men, husbands, and fathers. Friday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. – Sunday, January 26, 2:00 p.m. Cost: \$200 (retreat, room and meals), Marguerite Center, 700 Mackay St. Pembroke. Contact: Mark Reilander, 613.735.3894. (markreilander@alumni.uwaterloo.ca)



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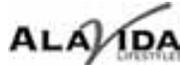
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