



# *The Epiphany of the Lord*

## *January 4, 2026*

### Weekend & Weekday Mass Schedule:

#### Saturday, January 3

**4:00 pm Hammond** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo**  
(Vazquez Family)

#### Sunday, January 4 – The Epiphany of the Lord

**8:30 am** – **† Fr. David Janes** (Our Parish)  
**10:30 am** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo** (Vazquez Family)  
**Noon** - Our Parish Family

#### Tuesday, January 6

**8:00 am** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo** (Vazquez Family)

#### Wednesday, January 7

**8:00 am** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo** (Vazquez Family)  
**8:40 am – 4:00 pm** – **Adoration (No Confession)**

#### Thursday, January 8

**3:00 pm, Hammond** - **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo**  
(Vazquez Family)

#### Friday, January 9

**8:00 am** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo** (Vazquez Family)

#### Saturday, January 10

**4:00 pm Hammond** – **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo**  
(Vazquez Family)

#### Sunday, January 11 – The Baptism of the Lord

**8:30 am** – **Oliva Vargas** (Lucy Alferez)  
**10:30 am** – Our Parish Family  
**Noon** **† Sergio Vazquez Pelayo** (Vazquez Family)

### ♦ Parish Offertory ♦

#### **Christmas Dec 24 & 25<sup>th</sup>**

Hammond: 1,268.00  
Astoria: 3,028.51  
Mail: 335.00  
Online: 1,079.50  
Total: **\$5,711.01**

#### **Sunday Dec 28<sup>th</sup>**

Hammond: 1,013.00  
Astoria: 2,568.00  
Online: 714.50  
Total: **\$4,295.50**

*Thank you/Muchas gracias!*

### †Liturgy: The Work of the Church†

#### January 4, 2025

We will use the Week 1 schedule:

#### Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

**4:00 pm, Hammond** –Riley Keown  
**8:30 am** – Ralph Mansfield  
**10:30 am** – Joyce Hill

#### Lectors:

**4:00 pm, Hammond** – Anita Decker  
**8:30 am** – Dan Zills  
**10:30 am** – Nancy Giasson

#### Altar Servers:

**Noon** – Ana Alejo, Gabriel Ortuno Bermudez,  
Angel Perez Garcia, Angel Velasco-Uribe

### †Liturgy: The Work of the Church†

#### January 11, 2025

We will use the Week 2 schedule:

#### Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

**4:00 pm, Hammond** –Debby Bloom  
**8:30 am** – S. Croos  
**10:30 am** – Dan Sitkowski

#### Lectors:

**4:00 pm, Hammond** – Kevin Leahy  
**8:30 am** – Cindy Van Arsdall  
**10:30 am** – Alice Bell

#### Altar Servers:

**Noon** – Diana Alejo, Angel Merino Lucas,  
Aaron Perez Garcia, Ruth Perez Garcia

### The Baptism of the Lord

#### January 11, 2026

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Acts 10:34-38

**Gospel:** Matthew 3:13-17



# ***The Epiphany of the Lord***

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During this New Year we pray that may grow in wisdom and have the favor of God upon us by remembering to take care of our suffering brothers and sisters.

**In the month of November, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the spirit of Christmas to our neighbors in need, by assisting 86 families who visited our food pantry**

***Pantry needs for the month of December:***

*Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate*

**Food Pantry hours:**

TUESDAY's 1PM – 3PM ... FRIDAY's 10AM – NOON

**For additional information:**

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## ***The Epiphany of the Lord***

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.



Still, we float along, still sharing, with others, about the Lord's forgiveness and our happiness that He lives within us. And still we wait in Hope for Jesus to come and take us Home. There's no telling when, but it is a sure thing, and I will be ready. When He comes, I will see His smiling face and His outstretched arms waiting to hold me, and "**I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**"

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

***The Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast after the 8:30am & 10:30am Masses on Sunday January 4<sup>th</sup>.***

**We will be having a parish potluck on January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the auditorium. Please bring a dish to share.**