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Feast of the Epiphany — January 4, 2026

Gathering Hymn: We Three Kings

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain, gold we bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity night;
Prayer and praising gladly raising, Worshipping God on high.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gath'ring gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading still proceeding, guide us to the perfect light.

Gloria: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people 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. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm "Ev'ry nation on earth will adore you, Lord."
Spoken: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation **Alleluia**

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

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things
visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again
on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Preparation of the Gifts

What Child Is This

What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh,
Come peasant, king to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

Communion Hymn

The First Noel

The first Noel, 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.
Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

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.
Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

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.
Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh 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.
Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

Then entered in in those wise men three,
Full rev'rently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.

Closing Hymn: Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And Heaven and nature sing, and Heaven and nature sing,
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let us, our songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

*Thank you for
joining
us in
worship
today!*

*Please see the
Bulletin
section in the
following
pages for events
and service
opportunities,
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website:*

stjulia.org

*We wish you a
blessed week!*

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OFFICE HOURS 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM,
Monday—Friday.

RECONCILIATION

Church Sacristy, Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM

ANointing of the Sick

By request after the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass;
or contact Parish Office.

Eucharistic Adoration

In St. Julia Church every Friday from 12:00 noon
to 1:00 pm.

Eucharist and Visits to the Sick

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, home-bound or hospitalized.

Rosary on Zoom

After each daily Mass. Contact us at
stjulia.org/ contact us for the Zoom link.

Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to
make arrangements.

BULLETIN NOTICES should be emailed to the
Parish Office by Monday morning:
parish@stjulia.org.

Baptism of the Lord

First Reading: *Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7*

Psalm: *Psalm 29:1-2, 2-4,3, 9-10*

Second Reading: *Acts 10:34-38*

Gospel: *Matthew 3:13-17*

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm—St. Julia Church
Sunday: 8:00am—St. Joseph Church
9:30am—St. Julia Church
11:30am—St. Julia Church
5:00pm—St. Joseph Church

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday
8:00am—St. Julia Church

All Masses taking place in St. Julia Church are
live streamed—www.stjulia.org

Supporting Our Parish's Mission

Weekend of 12/20 & 12/21= \$ 8152.00

**Due to early submissions weekend of 12/27 &
12/28 will be reported later**

THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do. We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

~ Parish Life ~

Mass Intentions for this Week:

Sun. 1/4	9:30AM	Elisabeth Heistracher
Mon. 1/5	8:00AM	William (Billy) Greaves
Tues. 1/6	8:00AM	Michael Woodward, Caitlin Kochler, Joseph Kochler & Kathleen Kochler
Wed. 1/7	8:00AM	Berard "Buzz" J. Bennett
Thurs. 1/8	8:00AM	Aidan Herrera (Living)
Sun. 1/11	9:30AM	Maryellen McDonough
Sun. 1/11	11:30AM	Stephen Hassell

Eucharist Adoration

Every Friday
12:00—1:00pm
St. Julia Church



Food Pantry Collection

Please donate to the Food Pantry.

Flour, sugar, olive oil, tuna, gluten free items and condiments are especially needed now.



Faith Formation

Classes

Sunday, January 4

Grades 1—6

Confirmation Prep

Monday, January 5

Grades 1—5

Sunday, January 11

Grades 1—6

Confirmation Prep

Grade 5 Hosts 9:30 Mass with Family Gathering after

Monday, January 12

Grades 1—4

No Grade 5 as they attended the Gathering on Sunday

Grand Annual

If you did not receive the Grand Annual letter in the mail and wish to donate to the Grand Annual, envelopes can be found at the back of both our churches or donate online. <https://osvhub.com/stjulia/giving/funds>

To date we have received \$239,557 for the Grand Annual. Our goal is \$280,000. Thank you to everyone who has already given.

Heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many volunteers that helped to make our Christmas celebrations so wonderful. I am grateful to the following groups: Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Cantors, Choirs, Brian Moll, Ushers, Altar Servers, all the volunteers who decorated our church, custodial staff and those who are always so generous with their time and talent.

Blessings,

Fr. Kevin

~ Parish Life ~

As an Adult, are you seeking to receive any of the Sacraments of Initiation?

Are you thinking of joining the Church? Do you need to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation or 1st Communion? We warmly welcome you, and we have a process designed for you! Contact Deacon Rafe to find out more: deaconrafe@gmail.com.



Calling all 8th – 12 Grade Students



to join St. Julia: Agape Latte, a student-led youth group featuring a relaxed, coffee-house atmosphere with engaging speakers and topics chosen by students.

Speakers discuss and share the role and impact of faith in their lives. All faith formation students in grades 8-12 are invited to join. Come for the inspiration, stay for the real connections, faith sharing, and community with other youth.

Guest Speaker: Lauren Forcucci, Ph.D.

Topic: Comparison & Social Media

Exploring how comparing ourselves to others, especially online, affects our self-worth, faith, and identity, and how God calls us to see our true value beyond the highlight reel.

January 11, 2026

12:30pm – 1:30pm

St. Julia Parish Hall

The youth group meets every second Sunday (until April).

For more information, please contact [Jackie Ashba](#), Director of Faith Formation, or [Lauren Forcucci](#), Pastoral Manager.



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Café Julia will be back on Sunday, January 4th after the 9:30am Mass.

We are always looking for volunteers. Whether you can spare an hour or a morning, your support makes a big difference. Scan the QR code to help support this ministry.

Sign up today and be part of something sweet! Signup here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4AA9AE2DA6F49-58976399-caf>



Love Your Marriage Retreat

This one-day retreat for married couples is on Sat. Jan 31st at the Pastoral Center, Braintree and led by Our Outpost, a ministry designed to help Catholics intentionally develop vibrant marriages. Discover a deeper friendship and love through healthier communication, conflict resolution and decision making. Mass, Confession, Adoration, meals, and sharing time are all included in the program. For more info. visit bit.ly/loveyourmarriageretreat or call Emily in Family Life at 617-746-5756.



EUCARIST MINISTERS NEEDED

We are in need of more Eucharistic Ministers (EMs) for 9:30 and 11:30 Sunday Masses.

Ministers are scheduled according to their availability. If you are interested in serving or learning more about becoming a Eucharist Minister, please call or email the office. Just ask them to forward the information to Betsy Czarnowski.

Thank you.

Marriage Encounter

Psalm: 24:1-2: "Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory." Have you let the Lord enter your life and your relationship with your spouse? Jesus will strengthen you and guide your relationship to be even better. Learn how, by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on:

January 23-25, 2026 in North Easton, MA

March 13-15, 2026 in South Burlington, VT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Matt & Julie King at 978-870-5646 or wwme.org.

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Please fill out and drop in the Offertory or at the Parish Office to be added to the Parish.

Family Last Name: _____

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To add more family members, please get our registration on our website: stjulia.org



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