

SAINT FRANCIS BORGLIA



Welcomes Visitors & New Parishioners

Reaffirming our own faith in
Jesus, the Christ, we gladly
welcome you into this
community of faith, enfolding
you with our love and
committing ourselves to your care.

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 7, 2018

*Saint Francis Borgia was dedicated on September 30, 1952 by the
Most Reverend Francis R. Cotton, D.D. Bishop of Owensboro, Ky.*

FAITH, FAMILY & FRIENDS

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION

Sunday 8:00 AM - 8:30 And by appointment

BAPTISM

Preparation Classes required for parents.

Call the office for more details.

HOLY COMMUNION

Contact Fr. Ryan or the church office

HOLY MATRIMONY

Contact Fr. Ryan at least 6 months prior to the proposed
wedding date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Holy communion is taken to the sick and to the nursing homes
weekly. Contact the parish office for anyone in need.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 15—JP11 WILL BE in session on Martin L. King Day

Jan 28– Feb 3—Catholic Schools Week

February 17—Catholic Men's Conference—Owensboro

Our Return to the Lord

DECEMBER 31

Attendance (76)

Tithes	\$ 1135.00
Pastoral Associate	\$ 35.00
Votive Candles	\$ 6.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 52.00
TOTAL	\$ 1233.00

2018 HALL RENTAL FEES:

\$50.00 for “REGISTERED” MEMBERS

if you are not sure if you are a registered member, call the office

\$195.00 for NON– Registered Members

(3 days notice is required to process paperwork with the diocese)

\$95.00 Event Insurance through the Diocese

\$50.00 Rental Fee

\$50.00 Cleaning/ Damage Deposit

All renters are expected to clean the areas used: the hall and kitchen (stove top, sinks, countertops), wash, dry and put away anything you use.

Please do not leave your “leftovers”: food or paper products!

BULLETIN BITES!!

“Magi came from the east.

They prostrated themselves and did him homage”

An epiphany is the sudden realization or comprehension of the essence or meaning of something. The magi came from the east, probably present day Iran, to search for a newly born child that they believed would be the Messiah promised to the Israelites. They obviously had read the Torah and the prophets. They understood the essence or the meaning of the signs in the skies. The made a very arduous and dangerous trip through a hostile desert just to see the child; to prostrate themselves and pay him homage and give him valuable gifts. The child that they saw we now believe is Jesus, Son of Mary, who lived, died, and rose from the dead for our salvation and to give us an example of how to live in relation to our God. How far are we willing to travel to pay homage to Jesus? What inconveniences, difficulties and risk are we willing to endure to demonstrate our faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. **The magi were truly “wise men.”**

Are we an equally wise People of God?

TODAYS REFLECTION

Our modern culture suggests a tension between spirituality and religion. But the Magi in today's Gospel demonstrate that when spirituality is lifted up by revelation—when the Magi are told by the religious leaders where the Messiah is to be born—we find the object of our spiritual longing.

The feast of Epiphany gives us the occasion to reflect on a distinction that is much in vogue today between spirituality on the one hand and faith on the other. The Magi represent all that is good and true and beautiful in religious seeking. But they come to the tradition of Israel to find the right focus for their spiritual quest.

The story of the Magi illuminates important dynamics in the relationship of religious conviction and scientific investigation. There need not be any necessary conflict between the religion and science, as wise men of every age are drawn, not only to investigate the wonders of creation, but to draw closer to Christ, through whom all things have been made.

Herod sees all from the confines of his ego, trying to make the world conform to his plans. The Magi look outside of themselves, looking for an order that they will conform to. By focusing their attention away from themselves, they are spiritually liberated to follow the star of Bethlehem. This is the liberation that Christ grants us. He allows us to escape the jail cell of our egos to join the liberating current of his love, leading us closer to eternal life.

Bishop Robert Barron

Catechism of the Catholic Church

CCC528: The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee.212 In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations.213 Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning toward the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament.214 The Epiphany shows that “the full number of the nations” now takes its “place in the family of the patriarchs,” and acquires *Israelitica dignitas* (are made “worthy of the heritage of Israel”).

JP11 NEWS:

January 13 - 8th grade boys Diocesan Tournament @ Whitesville

January 15 - Martin Luther King Day, school is in session, parents provide transportation

January 18 - County Spelling Bee @ John Paul II Catholic School, Syndie Vessels is the representative for JP11

January 20 - 8th grade girls Diocesan Tournament @ Whitesville

January 23 - School Choice Rally, middle school students to attend @ Madisonville

January 27 - 7th grade boys Diocesan Tournament @ Whitesville

January 28 - February 3 - Catholic Schools Week, more information TBA

February 24 - Annual Catholic School Alumni Dinner Auction

March 4 - Come See Who We Are Community Open House

March 4 - Pre-registration begins for 2018-19 school year

March 30 - Good Friday, School is not in session for JP11

April 2 - 6 - Spring Break

April 23 - 27 - 8th grade students to Washington DC

New School Project:

Outstanding Balance Due on Bond \$6,796,374.09

Balance in Checking & Savings \$1,210,133.85

Ministry List / Liturgical Apostolate

JANUARY 2018

Ushers:

Jan 7—Reburn Collins, Don Kemp
 Jan 14—Don Edd & David Wright
 Jan 21—Ken Farr & Reburn Collins
 Jan 29—Jessie & Bradley James

Gate Keepers:

Jan 7—Gary & Joe Thomas
 Jan 14—Joey French & Derek Gray
 Jan 21—Don Edd & David Wright
 Jan 29—Ken Farr & Andrew Arnold

Childrens Liturgy:

Jan 7
 Jan 14
 Jan 21
 Jan 29

Holy Communion to the Sick: Beth Kemp

Rosary Leader: Irene Price (Sunday 8:15 a.m.)

Eucharistic Ministers:

Jan 7—Bradley James, Marcy James, Hilary Liles
 Jan 14—Lisa Jones, Beth Kemp, Ann Conn
 Jan 21—Alex Wright, Lita Pfingston, Barbara Wells
 Jan 29—Jama Wells, Ann Conn, Marcie James

Lector:

Jan 7—Stephanie Beverly
 Jan 14—Mark Greer
 Jan 21—Greg Little
 Jan 29—Tony Pfingston

Gift Bearers :

Jan 7—Jama Wells Family
 Jan 14—Lance & Ali Davis Family
 Jan 21—Mary Monarch & Virginia Quinn
 Jan 29—Michael & Julie Mendoza

Sacristan: Carol French

Coffee & Donuts: January 7—Hilary & Johnathon Liles

Servers:

Jan 7—Sydney Thomas, Ava Arnett
 Jan 14—Jaden Fulkerson, Emma Wright
 Jan 21—Cady Fulkerson, Stephen Little
 Jan 29—Jaden Fulkerson, Stephen Little

FEBRUARY 2018

Ushers:

Feb 4—Cletus Russelburg, Ken Farr
 Feb 11—David Wright & Zack Beverly
 Feb 18—Lance Davis & Nathan Tanner
 Feb 25—Brad Giltz & Mickey Thornsburg

Gate Keepers:

Feb 4—Brad Ervin & Joe Thomas
 Feb 11—Jessie James & Johnathan Liles
 Feb 18—Don Edd Wright & Ken Farr
 Feb 25—Joey & Carol French

Childrens Liturgy:

Feb 4—
 Feb 11—
 Feb 18—
 Feb 25—

Holy Communion to the Sick: Lisa Jones

Rosary Leader: Irene Price (Sunday 8:15 a.m.)

Eucharistic Ministers:

Feb 4—Ali Davis, Jama Wells, Beth Kemp
 Feb 11—Maggie Bennett, Alex Wright, Lisa Jones
 Feb 18—Lita Pfingston, Tony Pfingston, Stephanie Beverly
 Feb 25—Charlie Mendoza, Clay Wells, Jama Wells

Lector:

Feb 4—Ava Arnette
 Feb 11—Barbara Wells
 Feb 18—Mark Greer
 Feb 25—Tony Pfingston

Gift Bearers :

Feb 4—Michele Williams & Ann Meacham
 Feb 11—Malorey & Derek Gray Family
 Feb 18—Allison Genrty Family
 Feb 25—Charles & Gloria Mendoza

Sacristan: Mikki Wright

Coffee & Donuts: February 4—Lisa Jones & Pam Collins

Servers:

Feb 4—Reburn Collins, Jaden Fulkerson
 Feb 11—Stephanie Beverly & Emma Wright
 Feb 18—Ann Conn & Sydney Thomas
 Feb 25—Tony Pfingston & Stephen Little

****CHECK THE MINISTRY LIST ABOVE FOR YOUR NAME, LET US KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY CONFLICTING DATES**

January Anniversaries

Don Edd & Miki Wright 01/13 50 years
 Billy & Kathy Brown 01/22 36 years
 Jerry & Brenda Stevens 01/24 52 years



January Birthdays

Margaret Holt 01/01	Alexess Wolfe 01/23
Roger Price 01/07	Jerry Stevens 01/26
Marshall Turner 01/13	Olivia Arnold 01/27
Cletus Russelburg 01/20	Barb Gorman 01/28
Dustin Jones 01/20	Nathan Wolfe 01/30
Sr. Alicia Coomes 01/22	



WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

AT LEAST A MONTHS NOTICE IS NEEDED FOR ANY SPECIAL REQUESTED DATE FOR MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 7 Epiphany	9:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession 8:00-8:30 a.m.	Ann Newcom
Monday, January 8	7:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession following Mass	Not available
Tuesday, January 9	7:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession following Mass	Not available
Wednesday, January 10	12:00 noon St. Ambrose Confession following Mass	Not available
Thursday, January 11	12:00 noon St. William Confession following Mass	Not available
Friday, January 12		NO MASS
Saturday, January 13	5:30 p.m. St. Ambrose Confession 4:00-5:00 p.m. <i>(Sat rdgs) Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21</i>	Pat Scates, Jr By Jerry & Ellen Day
Sunday, January 14	9:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession 8:00-8:30 a.m.	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Victor Arriola
Alayna Baxter
Charlene Brantley
Travis Chatham
Helen Conn
Morgan Day
Viola Drury
Jim Fortman
Christopher French
Leroy French
Vicki, Rick & Kayla Gilland
Bob & Faye Greenwell

Darrel Jones
Drake Kemper
Steve Little
Eric Livers
Mary Monarch
Don & Beth Kemp
Damita Papineau
Bill Puckett
Rose Rochford
Denise Timmons
Gary Thornsburry
Jennifer Thornsburry

Eugene Utley
Zella Wallace
Jeanette Willett
Pope Francis
Donald Turmp

**CALL THE OFFICE TO
HAVE SOMEONE ADDED
TO THE LIST**
(leave a message on the ma-
chine)

270-333-2806

SEMINARIANS :
Stephen Than
Corey Bruns
Chris Kight
Martin Ling
Christopher Grief
Martin Mikulcik
Doug Payne
Flynn Mudd