



THE CLEMENTIAN

January 6, 2019

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

An epiphany is a sudden realization about the nature or meaning of something. The birth of a child can be an epiphany that suddenly makes us understand love and responsibility in a new way. A doctor's warning about health issues can be an epiphany that causes us to change the way we eat. And a Scripture passage, homily, or spiritual book can be an epiphany that helps us see Jesus in an unexpected, new way.

Today, on Epiphany Sunday, we celebrate how God manifested His glory to the Magi. First, they saw a star and chose to follow it all the way to Jesus. Second, when they found Jesus, the Magi knelt down to worship Him and pay Him homage. Third, the Magi went home changed. This pattern can be the same for your life. God visits the earth on a daily basis. You might say He never left! Every day He stands at the door of your heart and asks, "Can I come in?" (Revelation 3:20). The Magi didn't have to follow the star. They chose to follow the star. You have the same choice to open the door to God.

Just as the Magi were changed, your life can be changed by seeing and worshipping Jesus and receiving a new insight from the Spirit will always improve the way you think, act, and relate to other people.

Our readings for next weekend, January 12 & 13: Isaiah 42:1-7/Acts 10:34-38/Matthew 3:13-17
Worship Book #785

ST. CLEMENT CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 2018 Fiscal Year to date

Cash Received:	\$ 40,993	\$201,639
Expenses Paid:	<u>40,099</u>	<u>217,387</u>
Cash Received Over (Under)		
Expenses Paid:	\$ 894.00	\$ (15,748)

DAILY MASS READINGS

Mon 1/7—1 John 3:22—4:6/Matthew 4:12-25
Tue 1/8— 1 John 4:7-10/Mark 6:34-44
Wed 1/9—1 John 4:11-18/Mark 6:45-52
Thurs 1/10— 1 John 4:19—5:4/Luke 4:14-22
Fri 1/11—1 John 5:5-13/Luke 5:12-16
Sat 1/12—1 John 5:14-21/John 3:22-30

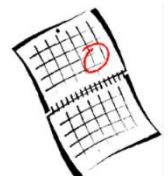
CALENDAR WINNERS

Dec 27—Mary Jo Pavlosky, #693
 Dec 28—Mike McCall, #646
 Dec 29—Lottie Berteno, #432
 Dec 30—Cindy Kist, #345
 Dec 31—Jim Blough, #648
 Jan 01—EV Polenik, #202



to all of you who
 purchased and/or sold
 our St.
 Clement

Church Lottery Calendars!
 We greatly appreciate it!
 ~Marcia & Lou Polonkey,
 Chairpersons





Faith Formation

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

- Jan. 13**—10:30 AM—Rite of Blessing (Grade 9)
- Jan. 26**—8:30 AM—9th Grade Retreat
- Feb. 17**—1:00 PM—10b
- Mar. 3**—1:00 PM—9b
- Mar. 17**—Junior High Youth Day
- Mar. 31**—1:00 PM—11c
- Apr. 28**—10:30 AM—Rite of Sending (11)
- May 8**—Confirmation Rehearsal (11)
- May 9**—Confirmation (11)

Marriage: “The joy of love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church” (Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*, no. 1). Family life – though not without its challenges – is a great gift! It is in the family that all of us learn what it means to love and be loved, to forgive, and how to maintain relationships over time. The family is called to welcome others, in particular children, and to care for those in need. USCCB

Life Matters: That civic leaders by their words and actions, might defend life and work to preserve respect for the life of every human being. USCCB



YELLOW RIBBON CAMPAIGN

Donations will be taken after all Masses **this weekend** in support of the March for Life being held on Friday, January 18th. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Instead of throwing out your Christmas cards, please bring them to the church for next year’s Angel Tree tags.

You may put them at the entrances to the Church.



Many of our parishioners in nursing homes have expressed their sincere “thank you” for the numerous Christmas cards they received from their St. Clement Parish family. They are truly touched by your kindness and appreciate being remembered.



BIRTHDAY

THE LIFT MINISTRY

Thank you for your continued support of the Lift Ministry. There is one January birthday:

January 21st

David Levinicz
Richland Healthcare & Rehab Center
349 VoTech Drive
Johnstown, PA 15904

“If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.”

PRAYER FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

May the Lord make my New Year a happy one...

Not by shielding me from sorrow and pain, but by strengthening me to bear it if it comes.

Not by making my path easy, but by making me sturdy enough to tread any path.

Not by taking hardship from me, but by taking all cowardice and fear from my heart as I meet hardships.

Not by granting me unbroken sunshine, but by keeping my face bright even in the shadows.

Not by making my life always pleasant, but by showing me where men and His cause need me most and by making me zealous to be there and to help ...

God, make my year a happy one.

—Guideposts magazine (January 1973)