

Epiphany of the Lord

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Sacred Conversation

The Epiphany of the Lord

There have been some unbalanced people on thrones throughout history, but they don't come any crazier than Herod the Great. Matthew gives us the dark narrative of the malevolent way in which Herod tried to trick the Magi into returning to Jerusalem with the GPS coordinates of the new king of the Jews.

That I too may give him homage, he said to them. That must have been their first clue that the wisest move would be to return in the opposite direction.

The story of the massacre of the Holy Innocents did not come out of nowhere. Herod— so neurotic about losing his royal status that he murdered his wife Mariamne and several of his sons because he either feared they were plotting against him or they really were plotting against him— was a terrifying figure in the ancient world.

A master builder, yes. But he was so loathed by his subjects that, when he fell off the litter his slaves were using to carry him to his summer palace one sweltering day, he was slow to revive. Eventually they— cautiously and then exuberantly— began celebrating what they thought was his demise.

But rumors of his death were exaggerated, and when he awoke to singing and carousing he pronounced the following: *I command that on the day of my death, all the Jewish elders in Jerusalem be brought into the Herodium and murdered. That way I can make certain there will be true grief over my death.*

Blessedly, his sister outlived him and withdrew the death sentence. May all world leaders experience the Epiphany that brought foreigners from afar, but eluded the king who lived five miles away.

What important gifts might you be missing because of your own insecurities?

La Historia y Usted™



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La Epifanía del Señor

Han habido algunas personas desequilibradas que se han sentado en tronos durante la historia, pero ninguno tan loco como Herodes el Grande. Mateo nos ofrece una narrativa oscura de la manera malévolamente en la cual Herodes trató de engañar a los Magos para que regresaran a Jerusalén con las instrucciones de GPS que lo llevarían directo al nuevo rey de los Judíos. *Para que también yo pueda adorarlo*, les dijo. Esa debe haber sido la primera indicación que tuvieron de que lo más sabio sería regresar por la dirección opuesta.

La historia del masacre de los Santos Inocentes no salió de la nada. Herodes— tan neurótico de perder su estatus real que llegó a asesinar a su esposa Mariamne y a varios de sus hijos porque ya sea que se temía que estaban tramado contra él o que realmente estaban tramando contra él— fue una figura espantosa en el mundo antiguo. Un maestro en la construcción, sí. Pero era tan odiado por sus súbditos que, cuando se cayó de la camilla donde lo cargaban unos esclavos para llevarlo a su palacio de verano en un sofocante día, tardó tiempo en volver en sí. Pronto, ellos— cuidadosa y entonces eufóricamente— comenzaron a celebrar lo que pensaban había sido su fin.

Pero los rumores de su muerte fueron exagerados, y cuando despertó cantando y yéndose de parranda pronunció lo siguiente: *Les ordeno que en el día de mi muerte, todos los ancianos de los Judíos en Jerusalén sean llevados al Herodion y sean asesinados. De esa manera me podre asegurar de que haya verdadero duelo por mi muerte.*

Benditamente, su hermana vivió más que él y canceló esa sentencia de muerte. Que todos los líderes del mundo experimenten la epifanía que trajo a extranjeros que vinieron de tan lejos, pero a la misma vez esquivaron al rey que vivía a cinco millas de distancia.

¿Hay algunos regalos importantes que te estás perdiendo por culpa de tus propios complejos?

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Around the Parish and the Community

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Jan 08 10:15am—ALL RESUME—

***Children's Faith Formation Classes**

***Secrets of Scripture**

***Parent Session #4—*Family Life and the
Dignity of the Human Person***

(English in Community Room,

Spanish in School Cafeteria)

Jan 10 6:30 pm

***Confirmation Class**

Jan 11 7:00 pm

***RCIA Adults**

Jan 15 10:15 am

***Children's Faith Formation**

***Secrets of Scripture**

***Parent Meeting for RCIA kids**

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class is Sunday, January 22, 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Parents and godparents are required to attend. Please contact Laurie Lopez at 303.778.1397 for more info or to register. Class registration forms can also be found at www.srlDenver.org/forms. Please contact the office to ensure a spot in the class.

GET FORMED!

We are very pleased to be able to offer FORMED to our parishioners! FORMED is a valuable resource to assist you and your family in your faith journey. You can choose from video-based adult study programs, movies, books and audio. Best of all, it is available at no cost to you! To check out all the content available with FORMED, visit their website at www.formed.org, and sign up on the homepage using our parish code: N824DC. Please contact Laurie at the parish office if you have questions or if you need assistance signing up!

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—
Jenny Martinez, Gilbert Suazo, Roy Martinez, Barbara Deaguero, Annie Martinez, Isabel Guzman, Raymundo Pimentel, Deacon Jerry Kotas, Clarita Rubio, Regan Capps, Jana Purdy

Community Ministry needs—**Canned Fruits** for the month of January. You can place your donation in the basket in the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

Mass Intentions

Saturday January 7

4:00pm

+Lloyd Greenwood

by Frieda Greenwood

Sunday

January 8

9:00am

deceased members

of the Holy Name Society

11:30am

People of the Parish

Monday

January 9

8:30am

+Frances & +Jerry Ivarson

by family

Tuesday

January 10

8:15am

+Clementine Begler

by Carol Jones

Wednesday

January 11

8:30am

Communion Service

Thursday

January 12

8:30am

Communion Service

Friday

January 13

8:30am

Communion Service

Saturday

January 14

4:00 pm

+Michael Arkulary by family

+Richard York by Mary York

Sunday

January 15

9am

+Clementine Begler by Carol

Jones

11:30am

People of the Parish

SPECIAL NOTICE--At 10:15am, January 15, in the Rose Room, there will be a meeting and You are invited!

The Holy Name Society is hosting a meeting for all church leaders-members-parishioners. To discuss and share ideas and find ways to work together and to break barriers for a closer community for Saint Rose of Lima Parish and Academy. Coffee and donuts will be served.

A la 10:15 en la mañana, 15 de enero en el Salon de la Rosa, el Sociedad de Santo Nombre está organizando una reunión por los líderes de la iglesia-miembros-feligreses. Todo en la sala de Rosa. Para discutirán y compartan ideas, para encontrar maneras de trabajar juntos, y para romper las barreras. Por una comunidad más cerca por Santa Rosa de Lima Parroquia y Escuela. Café y donuts se servirá.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT—Saint John Vianney Seminary, January 22, 10am—5pm. Register at www.DenverSeminararians.org

Start the Year off Right—with hope and healing after an Abortion. Please consider attending the Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat which addresses the soul wounds that run deep in many women and men who are suffering with the psychological or spiritual pain of abortion. These, as well as memories of condemnation, abandonment, pain and confusion are handled with care and replaced by the healing presence, love, and mercy of Jesus Christ. The next retreat will be held the weekend of February 3-5. Contact Lori @ 303.904.7414 or Edie @ 303.775.4108. Deadline to register for the weekend is January 30.

If you are seeking a 2016 statement of donations to Saint Rose of Lima—give a call to the office. At the end of the month we will send out all requests. BUT—if you donate through the website/online, you can **print up your own statement immediately** by simply signing on and putting in the pertinent dates.

Denver Preschool Program (DPP) is hosting a *Preschool Showcase* at the Owens Boys & Girls Club at 3480 W Kentucky Avenue, on January 14, at 10am. You will be able to— Find and compare quality Preschool options for your child. Discover the dollar amount you can get in tuition support from DPP. Apply for tuition support. Call 303.595.4DPP for more information.

Denver Preschool Program (DPP) tiene un *Preschool Showcase* a Owens Boys & Girls Club a 3480 W Kentucky Avenue, en enero de 14, a la mañana. Encontrar y comprar las opciones de preescolar de calidad para su niño. Descubrir la cantidad de dólares que puede recibir de DPP. Solicitar apoyo financiero para los pagos de las mensualidades. Llame al 303.595.4DPP por más información.

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring at St Valentine's Raffle, for when? St Valentine's, of course. You can purchase a ticket for \$20. Only 100 tickets will be sold and first prize is \$500, second prize is \$300, and third prize is \$200. So look of them next week and buy a ticket to help support their charitable work.

Readings for the week of January 8, 2017

Sunday Is 60: 1-6//Eph 3: 2-3a, 5-6//Mt 2: 1-12

Monday Is 42: 1-4, 6-7//Acts 10: 34-38//Mt 3: 13-17

Tuesday Heb 2: 5-12//Mk 1: 21-28

Wednesday Heb 2: 14-18//Mk 1: 29-39

Thursday Heb 3: 7-14//Mk 1: 40-45

Friday Heb 4: 1-5, 11//Mk 2: 1-12

Saturday Heb 4: 12-16//Mk 2:13-17

What to help fill up the rest of the space?
Bring information about your organization to Fr Jerry at jerryrohr@gmail.com and see it in the bulletin!