

**ST. ELIZABETH
OF HUNGARY**
Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for Jan. 5, 2025**

Epiphany

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English—Incense)
Lynn Mistretta & deceased
of Mistretta family
By: *Ed & Marghi Quigley*

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish—Incense)
Presider's intention

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Deceased of Bartus family
By: *George & Thea Bratton*

Monday, 8 a.m. —
Quigley family
By: *Quigley family*

Tuesday, 8 a.m. —
† Daniel Paul
By: *Barbara Paul*

Wednesday, Noon—(English)
Presider's intention

Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English)
The people of the parish

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish)
Presider's intention

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Betty Jo & Sam Barker
By: *Leroy & Agnes Policky*



**THE MAGI OR WISE-
MEN**

In ancient Iran — also known as Persia — a priest was called a "magus." The plural is "magi". The word "magic" comes from the same root. Magi were experts in astronomy. This was useful in determining the calendar and the end of winter and the spring planting season. They believed that stars and other celestial objects actually influenced, rather than merely coincided with, earthly events. One, or possibly a series of omens, led them to believe that a royal prince had been born in Israel. They were sent as ambassadors to provide tribute to the newborn. The bible does not say how many Magi visited. It is assumed that there were three because of the number of gifts.

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Weekly readings

Sunday
Epiphany of the Lord
Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

Monday
1 John 3:22—4:6
Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday
1 John 4:7-10
Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday
1 John 4:11-18
Mark 6:45-52

Thursday
1 John 4:19—5:4
Luke 4:14-22a

Friday
1 John 5:5-13
Luke 5:12-16

Saturday
1 John 5:14-21
John 3:22-30

Sunday
Baptism of the Lord
Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
Psalm 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4,
3b, 9b-10
Acts 10:34-38
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22



Lay ministers for Jan. 11/12

Altar servers

Sat. — Timothy, Leo & Finnian Grubb
Sun. — Carl Johnson, Joshua Gouge

Commentators

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Richard Barker

Readers

Sat. — Mercedes Burke, Angela Murphy-Walters
Sun. — Mark Sitter, Chris Durney

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat. — Michael Gray Jr., Nick Schicker
Sun. — Tom Manning, Greg Watson

Ushers

Sat. — George Bratton, J.J. Regan
Sun. — Tim Eilers, Jimmy Townsend

Parish Life

Religious Education—No classes this weekend. Classes resume next weekend.

Knights of Columbus—The Knights will be meeting at 6pm, Wed., January 8. All members are welcome.

Holy Hour—Holy hour with adoration will be at 6pm, Tues., January 14.

Abundant Life Women's Group—The next meeting will be at 4pm on Wed., January 22. All women are welcome.

Volunteers needed—We are in great need of Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers. Please contact the office for more information.

Tax Reminders

Charity Donation Letter— If you would like a letter summarizing your donations to St. Elizabeth for 2024 (as support for your tax return), please drop a note in the weekend collection with your name and the words "tax letter" on it. Please let the office know by January 31.

Jubilee 2025

The Jubilee Year 2025 (the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord) is an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

What is a Jubilee?—The practice of a jubilee year has ancient roots in the Jewish tradition and evidence for it can be found in the Old Testament. The Jubilee was called every 50 years and was a time for forgiveness and a reminder of God's providence and mercy.

The dedication of a year for this emphasis provided the community with a time to come back into right relationship with one another and with God. As the practice of the jubilee year was adopted into the Church, these themes of mercy, forgiveness, and solidarity continued. Jubilee years celebrated in the Catholic Church focus on specific themes aimed to draw people closer to the Lord and bring about a renewal of faith and forgiveness in the world.



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1/2 for diocese—\$1,223.00

In person — Dec. 29, 2024
Regular— \$1,811.00
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Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra	J.J. Regan
Thea Bratton	Fran Robey
Jim Cathelyn	Jim Stapleton
Joel Dean	Jimmy Townsend
Lynda Gamache	Margaret Vines
Chuck Muraski	Ed & Linda Yarwood
Leroy & Agnes Policky	