

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Masses and Intentions for the Week

Sunday, January 15

Green

Second Sunday after Epiphany, *II Class*

8:00 AM Klara Lawson

11:45 AM Pro Populo

Monday, January 16

Red

St. Marcellus I, Pope/Martyr, *III Class*

7:30 PM Souls in Purgatory

Elected in 308, he strove to reorganize the hierarchy, which had been overthrown by the violent persecution of Diocletian. He was arrested by order of the Emperor Maxentius and died in exile in 309.

Tuesday, January 17

White

St. Anthony, Abbot, *III Class*

6:30 AM George Scrimshaw +

12:10 PM Dominic Cirineo

The father of monastic life, having first lived as a hermit, St. Anthony gathered the solitaries together under his direction and laid the first foundations of common life. He imbued them with that profound, sane, and trustworthy teaching, perfected in solitude and prayer, which is the basis of Catholic asceticism. He died around 356.

Wednesday, January 18

White

Chair of St. Peter, *IV Class*

7:30 PM Dean Hardwick

Thursday, January 19

Green

Feria, *IV Class*

6:30 AM Lloyd Giddings + (anniv.)

12:10 PM Lauren Martinis

Friday, January 20

Red

SS. Fabian and Sebastian, Martyrs, *III Class*

12:10 PM Harold Ross + (anniv.)

Pope St. Fabian was one of the first victims of the persecution under Decius; he died in 250. St. Sebastian was a Roman martyr of the beginning of the fourth century. Traditionally, he is the typical Christian soldier, faithful to his religion as to his military orders. He is the patron of archers and is often depicted as pierced with arrows.

Saturday, January 21

Red

St. Agnes, Virgin/Martyr, *III Class*

11:00 AM Mark Doherty

St. Agnes was about thirteen years of age when she was martyred, being tortured by fire and decapitated. During her trials, a soldier attempting to violate her was immediately struck dead. Two lambs blessed on this day supply the wool of the pallia worn by the Pope and Archbishops.

Sunday, January 22

Green

Third Sunday after Epiphany, *II Class*

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

11:45 AM Pro Populo

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First Communion Registration Due

First Communion registration forms are due today. Please be sure to turn them in. Classes are scheduled to begin next Sunday, January 22, from 10:15-11:30 in the McGrath Room (the room next to the garage doors). If there is a question in regards to a child's eligibility, please contact the rectory.

Young Adults—Saturday

The Young Adults will meet this Saturday at 7:00 PM, beginning with the Rosary, a spiritual conference and Benediction. For more information, please contact Stephanie Hogan at stephanie_hogan@cargill.com.

Catechetical Lecture Series

Fr. Harkins will present a four-lecture series *Reflections on the Traditional Roman Liturgy* on Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:30, beginning January 22, which will detail some history of its development along with principles behind the ritual. All are invited.

Thank You!

A sincere word of thanks to all who helped assist with the Archbishop's visit and Confirmation last Thursday and congratulations to the parish youth who received the Sacrament! We certainly look forward to the Archbishop's next visit on Wednesday, March 7 for Mass.

Additional Masses

Reminder again of the addition of two Masses to the schedule on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 6:30. Also, Compline is sung every Monday and Wednesday following the evening Mass (unless noted otherwise).

Please Keep In Your Prayers:

Souls in Purgatory, Parish seminarians, Closure of local Planned Parenthoods, Shirley Hendrix, Strauss family, Anna Marie Roth, Hans Sharp, Dominic McLaird, Anthony Arena, Mary Purcell, Jackie Danieli, Jeff Aiken, Richard Hopp, John Barber, Jeff Kozitza, James King, Cliff Sears, Cindy Bailey, David Hobbs, Louis Leclezio, Stephanie Brusich, Mary McKinsey, Mark Hillis, John Deller +, Vince Egan +, Gerald Nikolaisen +, Fr. Santan Pinto +, Anthony Strauss +, Patrick Sursely +

Contributions *May God reward your generosity.*

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Calendar of Events

January 21	Young Adults
January 22	First Communion Classes begin
January 22	Catechetical Lectures (1st of 4)
February 2	Candlemas Day (<i>Procession and Mass</i>)
February 3/4	First Friday/First Saturday
February 5	Septuagesima

A Final Thought...

All the race of proud Herods from that day to this, who think that they think, have missed God either because they are too complicated to understand the simple reports of the shepherds, or too filled with useless learning to grasp the only useful truth which the Wise Men bring. They lack that quality which the modern world conspicuously lacks, namely, teachableness or what the Latins called docility. Therefore, they disdain the idea that God might add to their knowledge by revelation. Some of them, to cover up their pride, go so far as to attack the Church as something antiquated and behind the times. They really should be denied the privilege of attack and criticism, because they never learned the intellectual right to do so—they do not know anything about the Church.

And so I repeat what I said at the beginning that humility, which is common to the simple and to the wise, is the condition of discovering Wisdom. If our age lacks any quality at all, it is what might be called teachableness or what the Latins call docility. Minds today rely principally on what they have obtained by their own thought or reading. Some fancy that they can find truth entirely by themselves and disdain the idea that God might add to their knowledge by revelation. Others believe that wisdom is synonymous with a smattering of facts about science, or the book of the month, or the new skull dug up in Peiping. Even university education has become so impregnated with the research of useless facts, that it forgets that research is only a means to an end, which is the discovery of Truth. It is well to remember that Herod is what many of our universities would have called a man of research, for he inquired diligently where the Child was born. But the Wise Men understood education far better. They were men of research too, for they searched the skies— but they were humble enough to know that research was only an instrument, and so they followed the science of the stars until it brought them to the Wisdom who made the stars, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Only the teachable find the Teacher, only the docile find the Doctor, only the humble find the Exalted. The simple souls, such as the shepherds, find God because they know

nothing; the really learned souls, like the Wise Men, find God because they know they do not know everything. And from that day to this the great mass of converts to the Church is made up of simple souls like the poor old woman who wanted to be a Catholic because she would like to say her beads before our Lord in the Tabernacle, and the really learned souls like Chesterton, Lunn, Belloc, Maritain, who knew so much history, philosophy, and literature that they could not stay away from the Church, once the grace of God was given to them. That too is why God sends into each age of history the saint conspicuous for the virtue the world needs most. [...] The Church may be defined as a place where we can stand responsible for one another's opinions. The learned know what the simple must believe, and the simple know what the learned must believe, namely that there is no other name under the heaven given to men whereby they may be saved, than the name of the Babe in the crib. But the Herods of the world never find the Church as they never find Christ—not even in their attempt to slaughter it; and the reason is that men never feel a tug toward the Church until they have ceased to pull against it. They must treat it with an open mind—even when they fear that it might be right—but that is just another way again of saying that we must be humble.

Our Lord was not born under an open sky, under which men might walk erect, but in a cave, the entrance to which can only be gained by stooping. The stoop is the stoop of humility. Some minds are too proud to stoop, and so they miss the Joy that is inside the cave. The shepherds and Wise Men were humble enough to stoop, but when they stooped they found that they were not in a cave at all, but in another world where there lived a beautiful woman with the sun above her head, the moon beneath her feet, and in her arms the Babe in whose tiny fingers was poised the very earth in which we live.

Fulton Sheen, *The Eternal Galilean*, ch. 2