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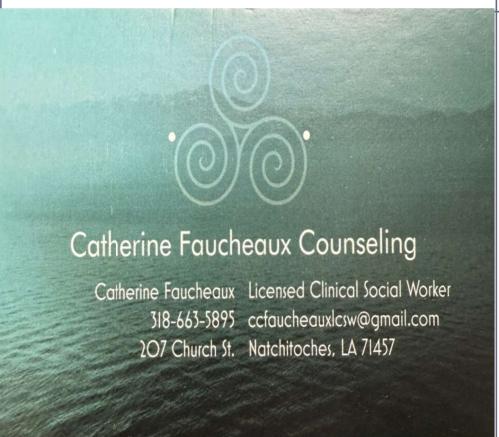
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Epiphany of the Lord  
January 4, 2026

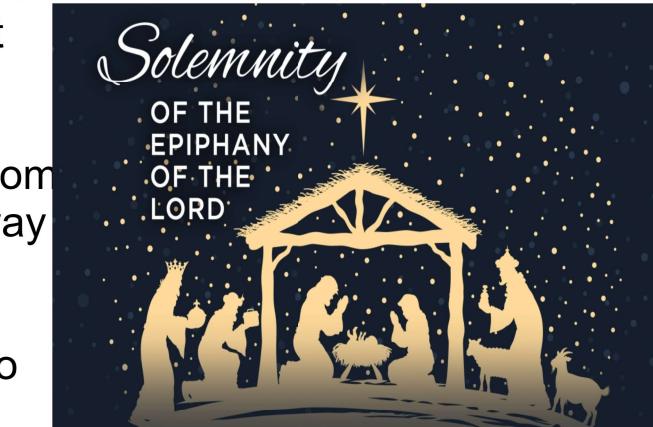
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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass  
St. Augustine.....Saturday, 5:00 pm  
.....Sunday, 10:30 am  
Mission: St. Anne:.....Sunday, 8:15 am  
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\*Holy Day's of Obligations & All Special Celebrations  
will be at 6:00 pm  
Weekday Masses: 1st Saturday 9:00 am  
Tuesday and Wednesday 6:00 pm  
Thursday and Friday 8:00 am  
Confessions 30 minutes before Mass—Saturday 4 pm  
1st Friday, Holy Hour after Mass  
For an Emergency Call: 318.581.1612

Today we commemorate the day when Jesus Christ was made manifest to the wider world. The magi, who were not Jewish and not from that region, were guided by the star, which eventually led them to Bethlehem. There they paid him homage and offered their finest treasures as gifts. In many cultures and traditions, today is the day Christians travel to be with loved ones and exchange gifts, often celebrating Epiphany as the high point of the Christmas season, for it marks the manifestation of the Lord to the whole world.

Jesus, the light  
foreigners from all  
gifts and proclaim  
forsees the light from  
people from faraway  
praising the Lord.  
distant regions,  
that Jesus came to  
alike. The magi  
pay homage and offer treasures to the newborn king.  
proclaimed, may we show our reverence.



of the world, draws  
over the earth to bring  
their reverence. Isaiah  
Jerusalem attracting  
lands, bringing gifts and  
Paul himself travels to  
preaching the message  
Jews and Gentiles  
come from the east to  
As God's word is

Question of the Week:

What will I do this week to manifest the presence of Christ in me to others?

### Mass Schedule

Jan 03 Saturday 9:00 am 5:00 pm	Those suffering from Depression and Addiction +Anthony L. Rachal, +Ladys Rachal, +Regis Rachal & Chad Nelson
Jan 04 Sunday 8:15 am	Culpepper & Schelette Families
Jan 04 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish
Jan 05 Monday	No Mass
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7b-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25	
Jan 06 Tuesday 6:00 pm	+Anthony Rachall & Chad Nelson
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44	
Jan 07 Wednesday 6:00 pm	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52	
Jan 08 Thursday 9:00 am	+Ladys Rachal, +Joseph D. Roque, +Claudia Moran, Charles Roque Family and +Samuel Bishop, Jr.
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a	
Jan 09 Friday 8:00 am	+Chad Jones
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16	
Jan 10 Saturday 5:00 pm	+Anthony L. Rachal, +Ladys Rachal, +Regis Rachal & Chad Nelson
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30	
Jan 11 Sunday 8:15 am	Culpepper & Schelette Families
Jan 11 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish

### Week's Offering:

**December 25 & 28, 2025**

	<b>St. Augustine</b>	<b>St. Anne</b>
Weekly	\$7516.68	\$814.00
Church Vocations	\$ 958.00	\$205.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 190.00	\$ 1.51

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### Parish Service Schedule:

	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist</b>
Sat Jan 03 5:00 pm	Ted Duggan	John Coutee Kenneth Metoyer	Bridget Metoyer
Sun Jan 04 10:30 am	Mary Jones	Glenn Sers Norah Sers	Tina Antee – Cup Mary Wilmore – Cup Henry Rachal
Sat Jan 10 5:00 pm	Anita Evans	James Conant Clyde Roque	David McGraw
Sun Jan 11 10:30 am	Jennifer Colbert	Lynwood Delphin John Scott	Ted Duggan – Cup Tiffany Roque – Cup Minnie Metoyer

### On-Line Giving

To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page on our website <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/staugustinecaneriver> You can also give through text message by sending "Give" to 318-217-8833 or just scan the QR code. Please register with the Parish by calling 318.379.2521 during office hours.



### Men's Prayer Group meets every Sunday @ 9:30 am

Hot Tamales \$30 dz. & Meat Pies \$40 dz.

Please contact Mary Jones @ 318.471.2942 or the Office @ 318.379.2521

**Please pick up your envelopes in the annex!**



**PARISH CARE MINISTRY** - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Hillary Peter Narcisse, Maxine Christophe, Janet Jones, Samuel Christophe, Sr., Leland & Gussie LaCaze, Mark Begnaud and Mona Beaudion.

**The Church Today.** The week of January 11, we will be taking up a special collection for the Church Today. Every month, this 20-page newspaper is mailed FREE to every Catholic household in the diocese. All donations to this special collection go directly to the Church Today to help defray the cost of printing and mailing. Your donation also defrays the cost of our digital outreach via the diocesan website [www.diocesealex.org](http://www.diocesealex.org). If you, or someone you know, would like to receive the Church Today FREE each month, call 318- 445-6424, ext 209 to request it or sign up at <https://www.diocesealex.org/the-office-of-communications/>

### January 10 Transitional Deacon Ordination of Matthew Bonner

You are invited to join us for the Transitional Deacon Ordination of Matthew Bonner at 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria.

### January 15 Catholic Charities Thrift Shop Volunteer Recruitment Breakfast

Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana will be opening its own thrift shop in February! Volunteers are needed to help sort and price merchandise, pickup donations, and man the sales floor during hours of operation. If you are interested in volunteering, a volunteer recruitment breakfast will be held from 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 15 at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria. For more information or to RSVP please contact [jgilchrist@cccla.org](mailto:jgilchrist@cccla.org)

### January 22 National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

### January 31 Cenla Life March

Join us marching for unborn babies and their mothers on Saturday, Jan. 31 at the annual Cenla Life March. We will gather at 10:00 a.m. at Louisiana Christian University in Pineville.

### Begins February 2 "Breathing through Grief" Weekly Support Group

Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana offers an eight-week program, Breathing through Grief, designed to bring comfort and hope to anyone facing loss—whether through death, illness, broken relationships, or other life-altering changes. Rooted in faith and guided by grace, this program provides a safe haven for sharing, embracing healing, and discovering that even in the emptiness, God is near and new beginnings are possible. Participants will find strength to renew their spirit, experience inner peace, and take intentional steps toward a meaningful new chapter in life. Each session blends practical tools with spiritual encouragement in a caring group setting, fostering resilience and hope throughout the journey. The program begins Monday, Feb. 2, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Catholic Center Conference Room at 4400 Coliseum Boulevard in Alexandria. For more details or to register, call Catholic Charities at 318-445-6424, Ext. 506.