

Fabio's words

What is the Epiphany?

The Epiphany of the Lord is a Christian celebration that means "manifestation". Referring to the Lord corresponds to the moments in which Jesus manifests himself or reveals himself to the world. It is usually identified with Three wise men however, in the Christian tradition there are at least three moments in which Jesus manifests himself. Epiphany to St. John the Baptist during Baptism. According to tradition, Jesus manifests himself to the Jews through St. John the Baptist during his Baptism in the Jordan River. The revelation of Jesus as the Son of God is related through a dove that represents the Holy Spirit. Epiphany to his disciples at the Wedding of Cana. It refers to the moment when Jesus begins his public activity and manifests himself through the so-called "miracle of Cana".

It is not enough to know where Jesus was born if we do not allow him to be born in our hearts. Jesus is born within us; he becomes the living God for each one. Today we are asked to imitate the three Wise Men; they do not debate; they left to meet the Son of God. They do not stop to look but enter the house of Jesus. They do not put themselves in the center but prostrate themselves before the One who is the center of our lives (Jesus). They do not stick to their plans but are prepared to take other paths shown by God. Their actions reveal a close contact with the Lord, a radical openness to him, a total commitment to him. With him, they use the language of love, the same language that Jesus, although a child, shares with them. In fact, magicians go to the Lord not to receive, but to give. That's why we ask ourselves: at Christmas we bring gifts to Jesus for his party, or do we only exchange gifts between us?

This week a little girl told her mother that she liked Santa Claus better, because he arrives earlier with the gifts, which is not true; before it takes longer time. The three Wise men bring gifts the first week of January and Santa Claus takes eleven months to arrive with the gifts (December). Some of them are in the Bible, the other is not.

Thanksgiving

I want to thank all the people who remembered me at Christmas, thank you for the details you sent me and may God give you and your families one hundred and one. I also want to thank with all my heart, to all the people who helped us through your generosity, so that many of our children could have a Christmas gift. I hope that both parents and children always keep in mind and prayer those who made possible the arrival of gifts to your homes.

Note: I want to ask some of you, for a future occasion, to have more respect for the volunteers of this program. I know that some were not treated with love and respect and that is not fair; some were demanding, and disrespectful to the volunteers.

Palabras de Fabio

¿Qué es la Epifanía?

La Epifanía del Señor es una celebración cristiana y significa "manifestación", y referida al Señor, corresponde a los momentos en que Jesús se manifiesta o se revela al mundo. Habitualmente se identifica con el Día de Reyes, sin embargo, en la tradición cristiana existen al menos tres momentos en los que Jesús se manifiesta. Epifanía a San Juan Bautista durante el Bautismo Según la tradición, Jesús se manifiesta a los judíos a través de San Juan Bautista durante su Bautismo en el Río Jordán. La revelación de Jesús como Hijo de Dios se relata a través de una paloma que representa al Espíritu Santo. Epifanía a sus discípulos en las Bodas de Caná. Hace referencia al momento en que Jesús comienza su actividad pública y se manifiesta a través del llamado "milagro de Caná".

No basta con saber dónde nació Jesús, si no le permitimos nacer en nuestro corazón. Jesús nace dentro de nosotros, se convierte en el Dios vivo para cada uno. Hoy se nos pide que imitemos a los magos; ellos no debaten, ellos partieron al encuentro del Hijo de Dios. No se detienen a mirar, sino que entran en la casa de Jesús. No se ponen en el centro, sino que se postran ante Aquel que es el centro de nuestras vidas (Jesús). No se quedan pegados a sus planes, sino que están preparados para tomar otros caminos mostrados por Dios. Sus acciones revelan un estrecho contacto con el Señor, una apertura radical hacia él, un compromiso total con él. Con él, usan el lenguaje del amor, el mismo lenguaje que Jesús, aunque niño, comparte con ellos. De hecho, los magos van al Señor no para recibir, sino para dar. Por eso preguntémonos: ¿en Navidad le llevamos regalos a Jesús para su fiesta, o sólo intercambiamos regalos entre nosotros?

Esta semana una niña le decía a la mamá, que le gustaba más papá Noel (Santa Claus), porque llegaba más temprano con los regalos, cosa que no es verdad; antes se demora más. Los Reyes traen regalos la primera semana de enero, y papá Noel se demora once meses para llegar con los regalos. Unos están en la Biblia, el otro no.

Acción de gracias

Quiero dar las gracias a todas las personas que se acordaron de mi en la Navidad. Gracias por los detalles que me hicieron llegar, y que Dios les del ciento por uno. También quiero dar las gracias de todo corazón a todas las personas que nos ayudaron a través de su generosidad, para que muchos de nuestros niños pudieran tener un regalo de Navidad. Espero que tanto los padres como los niños siempre tengan muy presente en la oración a quienes hicieron posible la llegada de los regalos a sus casas.

Nota: Quiero pedirles a algunas personas, que, para una próxima ocasión, tengan más respeto con los voluntarios de este programa. Se que algunos no fueron tratados con amor y respeto, y eso no es justo; algunos fueron demandantes, e irrespetuosos con los voluntarios.

Mark your calendars! St. Paul will hold a Ministry Fair on January 12, 2025, in the Parish Hall after all Masses. Below is information on some of the St. Paul ministries in advance of the Ministry Fair.

Ministry	Mission Statement
Outreach	The mission of Outreach Ministry is to engage the parishioners of St Paul the Apostle Catholic Parish in living out the Corporal Works of Mercy. We seek to share the blessings of our faith by actively alleviating human suffering in our area. Wherever possible, we strive to meet the financial, material, and spiritual needs of people in crisis in our community. Our goal is to offer Christ's love, understanding, and compassion, through direct intervention or by referring those with difficulties to agencies where their needs can be most effectively resolved.
Music	The mission of the Music Ministry is to enhance the Liturgy by using appropriate hymns and music to raise the hearts, minds, and voices of the congregation towards our God who deserves all praise, thanksgiving, worship, and adoration. No special talent of singing voice is required.
Bereavement Ministry	The Bereavement Ministry works as a liaison between families who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one (through death) and our parish priest, as funeral masses or memorial services are planned. We provide liturgical readings and music choices which have been approved by our priest and Minister of Music. We also communicate the necessary details of the funeral mass with the funeral home of the family's choice. In cases where the deceased had been a practicing member of their Catholic faith, but the family had not, we will provide the necessary guidance to carry out the last wishes of their family member.

¡Marquen sus calendarios! San Pablo llevará a cabo una Feria Ministerial el 12 de enero de 2025, en el Salón Parroquial después de todas las misas. A continuación, se muestra información sobre algunos de los ministerios de St. Paul antes de la Feria Ministerial.

Ministerio	Declaración de Objetivos
Alcance	La misión del Ministerio de Alcance es involucrar a los feligreses de la Parroquia Católica San Pablo Apóstol en vivir las Obras Corporales de Misericordia. Buscamos compartir las bendiciones de nuestra fe aliviando activamente el sufrimiento humano en nuestra área. Siempre que sea posible, nos esforzamos por satisfacer las necesidades financieras, materiales y espirituales de las personas en crisis en nuestra comunidad. Nuestro objetivo es ofrecer el amor, la comprensión y la compasión de Cristo, a través de la intervención directa o remitiendo a aquellos con dificultades a agencias donde sus necesidades puedan resolverse de manera más efectiva.
Musica	La misión del Ministerio de Música es mejorar la Liturgia mediante el uso de himnos y música apropiados para elevar los corazones, las mentes y las voces de la congregación hacia nuestro Dios, quien merece toda alabanza, acción de gracias, adoración y adoración. No se requiere ningún talento especial para cantar.
Ministerio de Duelo	El Ministerio de Duelo trabaja como enlace entre las familias que recientemente han sufrido la pérdida de un ser querido (por muerte) y nuestro párroco, mientras se planifican misas funerarias o servicios conmemorativos. Ofrecemos lecturas litúrgicas y opciones musicales que han sido aprobadas por nuestro sacerdote y ministro de Música. También comunicamos los detalles necesarios de la misa fúnebre con la funeraria de elección de la familia. En los casos en que el fallecido hubiera sido miembro practicante de su fe católica, pero la familia no, brindaremos la orientación necesaria para llevar a cabo la última voluntad de su familiar.

*****KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST*****

The K/C will be serving their delicious hot breakfast on Sunday, January 12th in the parish hall after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses. Come out and have some breakfast for the simple price of a donation. Served with pancakes, French toast, potatoes, meats, fruit, omelets & eggs, and beverages. Why go out to eat when you can have a homemade breakfast, visit with friends, and support our Knights



*****DESAYUNO DE LOS CABALLEROS DE COLON*****

Los caballeros de colon estaran sirviendo su delicioso desayuno caliente el Domingo, 12 de enero en el salon social despues de las misas de 8:00 am y 10:00 am. Venga y desayune por el simple precio de una donacion. Servido con panqueques, French toast, papas, carnes, frutas, omelets, huevos y bebidas. Por que salir a comer cuando puede disfrutar de un desayuno casero, visitar amigos y apoyar a nuestros caballeros?

Congratulations to **Janet Morgan**, who was selected as the happy winner of the Holy Family Statue raffle. The Gift Shop thanks all who participated in the raffle as well as John Paul our young helper who selected the winner.

Felicitaciones a **Janet Morgan**, quien fue seleccionada como la feliz ganadora de la rifa de la Estatua de la Sagrada Familia. La tienda de regalos agradece a todos los que participaron en el sorteo, así como a John Paul, nuestro joven ayudante que seleccionó el ganador.

The winner of the Youth Ministry in the Mountains raffle for a Traeger Pro Series 34 Grill was **Maria D. Zavala**. All proceeds will go toward their 2025 Vacation Bible School program. Thanks to all that participated.

La ganadora del sorteo de la Pastoral Juvenil en la Montaña de una Parrilla Traeger Pro Series 34 fue **María D. Zavala**. Todas las ganancias se destinarán a su programa de Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones de 2025. Gracias a todos los que participaron.

Two Adult Faith Formation Opportunities!



The Gospel of Luke – The Story of Salvation Fulfilled by Ascension Press
Facilitated by Jane Brown – Beginning Sunday, January 19 at 11:00 am in
Our Lady of Grace Education Building

Limited to 16 Adults

To register, please contact

Jane at janesmart271@gmail.com

or

Lisa at lwade@stpaulcleveland.com

Register soon to ensure your materials arrive on time for class!

Church History – 2000 years in 3 sessions!

Session 1 – January 19 – The Early Church and the Great Heresies

Session 2 – January 26 – The Middle Years – The Rise and Influence of the
Monastic Movement

Session 3 – February 2 – The Modern Era – The Rise and Effect of the Reformation

All 3 sessions will take place in the Parish Hall at 5:00 pm and facilitated by Deacon Rich

St. Paul the Apostle Parish Pilgrimage with Fr. Fabio

Use this site to sign up! <https://totallyyourspilgrimages.com/2551-italy-jubilee/>

or visit www.MEDJ1.com Then at the top hover over pilgrimages, click on Parish Pilgrimages, and scroll down to find the link to the pilgrimage.



**“To enjoy the fullness
of life and obtain peace,
You must return to God”**

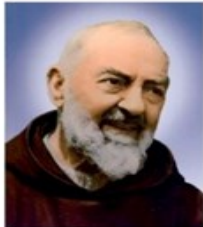


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25 Year Jubilee – Italy with Chaplain Fr. Fabio

Trip#2551: Mar 31 – April 11, 2025 (12 Days) • \$3,795



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| March 31 | Depart Atlanta International Airport (ATL). |
| April 1 | Arrive in Rome. Experience the 25 Year Jubilee and enter through the Holy Doors of Mercy! Visit Tre Fontane, Our Lady of Revelation, and St. Paul Outside the Wall. Overnight in Rome (4 nights Rome). |
| April 2 | General Audience with Pope Francis , St. John Lateran, St. Mary Majors, Holy Stairs, Mass at the Church of the Holy Cross, and more. |
| April 3 | Visit St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican Museum (optional) and more. |
| April 4 | Visit the Colosseum, lunch and shopping on your own, Pantheon, Tomb of St. Catherine of Sienna, and Trevi Fountain. |
| April 5 | Depart Rome for Monte Cassino (St. Benedict & St. Scholastica), visit St. Philomena Shrine, and Mass at St. Michael's Cave (2 night in San Giovanni Rotondo). |
| April 6 | Spend the day at Padre Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo – English office visit, tomb, museum, Mass, lunch and shopping. |
| April 7 | Depart for Eucharistic Miracle in Lanciano Mass, lunch, depart for Manoppello; Veronica's Veil and Shroud of Turin Exhibit (overnight near Manoppello). |
| April 8 | Depart for Holy House of Loreto – Mass and lunch on your own. Depart for St. Joseph of Cupertino visit. Depart for Assisi with visit to the Porziuncola that St. Francis built (2 nights Assisi). |
| April 9 | Visit Basilica of St. Francis – mass and basilica tour, visit church of St. Clare. Lunch and shopping on your own, see the tomb of Blessed Carlo Acutis . |
| April 10 | Depart for Orvieto – visit the Duomo of the Eucharistic Miracle , lunch on your own (overnight near Rome airport). |
| April 11 | Depart for USA. |

Price: \$3,795 - Land Only: \$2,895 Included: Air Fare, Transportation, Lodging, and 2 Meals daily.

Not included: Tips of \$105, single room \$750, and baggage fees if airline does not include.

Deposit \$200 to register. Second payment of \$1,200 is due November 4, 2024.

Final balance including tips is due Jan 13, 2024.

Other departure cities are available for a fee, please call us for additional airfare price.

Latecomers are encouraged to call and try to get on the trip.

Payment Includes: Airfare, Hotel, Transportation, Bus, two meals daily, and Taxes.

Not Included: Tips-per person, Covid testing if required, insurance, lunches, alcoholic beverages, baggage fees, single room if requested, souvenirs & visa fees.

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For travel insurance, contact Travel Guard insurance at: [800-826-5248](tel:800-826-5248)

Be sure to give them the Group Code: 70558

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