

EPIPHANY CHALK

This ceremony of the blessing of the home and inscription of the initials of the three Magi above each door can be performed either by a priest or the father of the family. The following is from the book *The Twelve Days of Christmas* by Elsa Chaney.

Prayer: *On entering the home,*

Leader (*Priest, if present, or father of the family*) : Peace be to this house.

All: And to all who dwell herein.

All: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

All Pray: The Magnificat. *During the Magnificat, the room is sprinkled with holy water and incensed. After this is completed,*

All: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

Leader: Our Father. . . And lead us not into temptation

All: But deliver us from evil.

Leader: All they from Saba shall come

All: Bringing gold and frankincense.

Leader: O Lord, hear my prayer.

All: And let my cry come to You.

Leader: Let us pray. O God, who by the guidance of a star didst on this day manifest Thine only-begotten Son to the Gentiles, mercifully grant that we who know Thee by faith may also attain the vision of Thy glorious majesty. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: Be enlightened, be enlightened, O Jerusalem, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee—Jesus Christ born of the Virgin Mary.

All: And the Gentiles shall walk in thy light and kings in the splendor of thy rising, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon thee.

Leader: Let us pray. Bless, + O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfillment of Thy law, the thanksgiving to God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. And may this blessing remain upon this home and upon all who dwell herein. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

After the prayers of the blessing are recited, each room of the home is sprinkled with Epiphany water and incensed. The initials of the Magi are inscribed upon the doors with the blessed chalk. (The initials, C, M, B, can also be interpreted as the Latin phrase "Christus mansionem benedicat" which means "Christ bless this house".) E.g.: 20 + C + M + B + 19

Feast of the Epiphany

*Arise, be enlightened, O Jerusalem:
for thy light is come ...*



*All they from Saba shall come
bringing gold and frankincense,
and showing forth praise to the Lord.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER REQUEST

- Please continue your prayers for Mr. Luis de los Reyes and for Betty (sister of Joan Peros) who is battling peritoneal cancer.
- Please pray for Adam Detar, who remains in the children's ICU.
- Please pray for the homebound of our parish: Eugene & Irish McCabe, Miss Patricia Silva, and Mr. Archie Swindle.

FOR YOUR HOME

For those who are interested, in the back of the church may be found small pieces of chalk blessed on the Feast of the Epiphany. The chalk inscriptions on the doors of our home are sacramentals and thus sources of grace to those who use them in a spirit of faith and in accordance with the mind of the church. If you take some chalk, please return it the following week in case others need it.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The HNS will meet this Wed, Jan 9 at 7:00pm at St Thomas More School in San Jose. All men from the Bay Area are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, Jan 13, Feast of the Holy Family, 11th Annual Ladies' Tea following the 10am Mass, with luncheon and music program for the ladies. Food will be provided for the men and older boys in the Parish Hall. Sponsored by the Servants of Mary.

Saturday, February 2nd, Feast of the Purification, a fundraiser dinner at St. Aloysius Retreat House. Bring your beloved to a night in which we will honor the legacy of the Archbishop and our dear Society. Sponsored by the Holy Name Society.

Sunday & Holy Day Collections

	Los Gatos	Santa Clara
Dec 30 Collection	\$1426.00	\$1387.00
2nd Collection	\$374.00 (Poor Souls)	\$90 (Bldg); \$10 (Poor Souls)
Jan 1 Collection	\$877.00	\$1032.00; \$30 (Bldg Fund)

2019 Retreat Schedule

Men:	Women:
Feb 18 - 23 (5-day Ignatian)	Mar 11 - 16 (5-day Ignatian)
Apr 1 - 6 (5-day Ignatian)	Apr 29 - May 4 (5-day Ignatian)

7-Day Candles

The Blessed Sacrament: (Available)
Sacred Heart: 1. TOSF 2. SOM: Families & Conversions
St Joseph: 1. (Available) 2. SOM: Families & Conversions



SOCIETY OF ST PIUS X CHAPELS

St Aloysius Retreat House, Priory - Los Gatos

19101 Bear Creek Rd

408-354-7703

After 5:00 PM Emergency Phone: 408-568-1171

St Athanasius Chapel - San Jose

1565 S White Rd

	LOS GATOS	SAN JOSE
Sunday, Jan 6 The Epiphany of Our Lord	Mass 8:00am & 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:00am, 8:30am & 10:00am
Monday, Jan 7 Ferial Day	Mass 7:15am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am Benediction 12:00pm
Tuesday, Jan 8 Ferial Day	Mass 7:15am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am & 11:00am
Wednesday, Jan 9 Ferial Day	Mass 7:15am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am & 11:00am Holy Hr for Vocations 8-9p
Thursday, Jan 10 Ferial Day	Mass 7:15am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am & 11:00am
Friday, Jan 11 <<< Ferial Day; <i>Comm St Hyginus</i>	Mass 7:15am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am & 8:45am
Saturday, Jan 12 Our Lady on Saturdays;	Mass 8:00am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:45am & 9:00am Conf: 10:00-11:00am & 3:00-4:00pm
Sunday, Jan 13 Feast of the Holy Family	Mass 8:00am & 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm	Mass 7:00am, 8:30am & 10:00am

Altar Server Schedule (Los Gatos)

Jan 6 P Chang, L Cattaneo, W Stoltz, J Verbeke, D Stoltz, D Cattaneo, M Enriquez, H Verbeke, T Hoang
 Jan 13 D Stoltz, W Stoltz, S Vojta, C Vojta, P Radonich, Bl Radonich, A Vojta, S de los Reyes, T Radonich

Holy Name Members are responsible for ushering, leading the Rosary and collections