



Tacoma, Washington

### **Household Worship**

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

### **The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ**



“Three wonders mark this day we celebrate: today the star led the magi to the manger; today was water changed into wine at the marriage feast of Cana; today Christ was baptized by John in the river Jordan to bring us salvation: Alleluia!”

Peter Chrysologus, Bishop of Ravenna in Italy, 425

#### **Collect**

O God,

by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:  
Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence,  
where we may see your glory face to face;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

#### **Readings**

Isaiah 60:1-6 – Arise, shine, for your light has come

Psalms 72:1-7, 10-14 – He shall deliver those who cry out in distress

Ephesians 3:1-12 – The mystery hidden for ages has been revealed

Matthew 2:1-12 – From Bethlehem shall come a ruler to shepherd the people

#### **Reflection**

“I have the immense joy of being a human being, a member of a race in which God has become flesh. As if the sorrows and stupidities of the human condition could overwhelm me, now I realize what we all are. And if only everybody could realize this? But it cannot be explained. There is no way of telling people that they are all walking around shining like the sun.” Thomas Merton

## The Epiphany Proclamation

Dear friends in Christ,  
as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
so by God's mercy,  
we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior.

On the **seventeenth day of February** will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **twenty-eighth day of March** we will mark the Sunday of the Passion, or Palm Sunday.

On the **first, second, and third days of April** we will celebrate the Paschal Triduum, the Great Three Day liturgy of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday ending at the setting of the sun, announcing the Day of Resurrection.

On the **fourth day of April** we will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **thirteenth day of May** will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **twenty-third day of May**, the Feast of Pentecost.

On the **thirtieth day of May**, the Most Holy Trinity.

On the **twenty-eighth day of November**,  
the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to whom is honor and glory forever. Amen.