

# Christ the King Catholic Church East Greenmount

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Society of St. Pius X



The month of January to the Holy Name of Jesus. "In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth and under the earth" (Phil 2:10). Christ's name is chosen in heaven, and the Angel Gabriel announces it when he informs the Blessed Virgin of the incarnation: "Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus". It is a name that has marvelous implications, for it means "savior." The very name bespeaks the magnitude of His mission, His infinite love, a love that will cause Him to offer Himself up for us.

The name of Jesus is the sweetest of all names, and He who bears it is most worthy of all love. He who calls Jesus his friend can be assured that this friend is the most devoted and unselfish of all friends.

Jesus is our all. In His name we may pray to the Father with assurance of being heard. In His name the Church administers all her sacraments. In His name she offers all her prayers and blesses homes, the fields, and the sick. In the name of Jesus she casts out evil spirits, and at the hour of our death bids us, "Go forth, Christian soul." She assures us that whoever shall call upon this name will be saved. When our soul has departed this life to seek its eternal home, the Church asks in the name of Jesus, "Eternal rest give unto him, O Lord."

— Benedict Baur, O.S.B.





In the first part of January we continue to rejoice and celebrate Christ's coming at Bethlehem and in our hearts. We have the wonderful feasts of Mary, Mother of God, where we honour Mary's highest title, and then we follow the Magi to the crib as they bring their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh on Epiphany. Finally we reach the culmination of this season with the Baptism of Our Lord by St. John the Baptist. With a touch of sadness we take down our decorations and enter into the liturgical period known as Ordinary Time where we will devote ourselves to the mystery of Christ in its entirety.

## **The Most Holy Name of Jesus – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan**

The name of Jesus is a name of gladness, a name of hope and a name of love.

A name of gladness, because if the remembrance of past transgressions afflicts us, this name comforts us, reminding us that the Son of God became man for this purpose, to make himself our Saviour.

A name of hope, because he that prays to the Eternal Father in the name of Jesus may hope for every grace he asks for: If you ask the Father anything in My name, He will give it you.

A name of love. For the name of Jesus brings to our remembrance all the sufferings which Jesus has endured for us in his life and at his death.

—Excerpted from St. Alphonsus de Liguori, *The Incarnation Birth and Infancy of Jesus Christ*

The Epiphany of Our Lord is observed on 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek *epiphainen*, a verb that means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or “to make known.” Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).

The visit of the Magi is emphasized on The Epiphany of the Lord and Christ's Baptism is celebrated the first Sunday that follows.



The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord on the 13 Jan This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

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2 Hodgson Street, East Greenmount

Mass times for January 2021

(Month of the Holy Name)

Date	Time	Details
Sunday 3rd January <b>Most Holy Name of Jesus</b>	8.00am , 10.00am	No Mass
Sunday 10th January <b>Feast of the Holy Family</b>	8.00am, 10.00am	Low Mass
Sunday 17th January <b>2nd Sunday after Epiphany</b>	8.00am, 10.00am	Low Mass
Sunday 24th January <b>3rd Sunday after Epiphany</b>	8.00am, 10.00am	Low Mass
Sunday 31st January <b>Septuagesima Sunday</b>	(To be advised)	Low Mass

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