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We should not think that the Magi who followed their star were more fortunate than we are on our faith journey. Our signposts are real, meaningful, and our opportunities, modern. Some may wonder whether our questions and doubts could indicate a loss or lack of faith. These are merely invitations to raise our eyes beyond a faith that may have become comfortable and rediscover God in the battlefields of life.

The Magi relied on the Scriptures to guide them to the new-born king. Today we read the Gospel of Christ to enhance our quest for meaning. Our desire is to be inspired by something greater than what we currently experience. We raise our eyes and begin our journey, though it may be challenging. We are confident that the Lord will always guide us.

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Sunday January 7th Epiphany of the Lord

As cell phones are ubiquitous, we pedestrians face extra challenges and must always pay attention. We must be present, focused on our surroundings, careful where we walk, especially in winter, since we could easily slip on the ice. Secondly, we must be careful not to run into other pedestrians whose eyes are glued to a phone. These were not problems faced by the Magi.

According to the passage from St. Matthew, we know how the Magi crossed the desert. Their signposts were in the night sky as they followed the star they had seen rising in the east. Their eyes remained focused on the horizon and they didn't lose their way. The Epiphany is a feast of enlightenment and revelation that commemorates Christ's glory as we read in Isaiah's beautiful prose. Abraham looked forward to the land promised by the Lord and raised his eyes to see millions of stars that represented his descendants.

The experience of faith projects light on our human existence and guides us toward our Source. Christ is the Light of the World who reveals God's love for us. If we feel an inner call to live in faith, we raise our eyes and begin our journey, like the Magi and men and women of faith who preceded us. Set in motion and guided by Christ, we can travel far and wide on our human adventure, farther than we can visualize on a path that leads to intimacy with God our Father.

The Week at a Glance

Fri Jan 5 7:00pm Adoration in Zenon Park
 8:00pm Mass in Zenon Park
 Sat Jan 6 5:00pm Mass in Carrot River **For †Andre Laforge**
 Sun Jan 7 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For the people**
 11:00am Mass in Arborfield **For †Gerry Riou**
 Mon Jan 8 Fr Travis' day off
 Tues Jan 9 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For †Daniel Revoy**
 Wed Jan 10 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park
 Thurs Jan 11 6:00pm Adoration in Carrot River
 7:00pm Mass in Carrot River
 Fri Jan 12 10:00am Mass in Arborfield Care Home
 Sat Jan 13 5:00pm Mass in Carrot River **For Jerry Martin**
 Sun Jan 14 9:00am Mass in Zenon Park **For the people**
 11:00am Mass in Arborfield **For †Aurel Soucy**

Mass Times for January /February

Sat 7:30pm – Carrot River
 Sun 9:00am – Zenon Park
Sun 11:00am – Arborfield

Mass Time	Jan Feb	Mar Apr	May Jun	Jul Aug	Sep Oct	Nov Dec
7:30 PM	CR	ZP	AR	CR	ZP	AR
9:00 AM	ZP	AR	CR	ZP	AR	CR
11:00 AM	AR	CR	ZP	AR	CR	ZP

The new **Liturgy schedules** are available at the back of the church

The new **envelopes** are ready for pick-up. Please see the table at the back of the church.

Announcements and Activities

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>January 7</u>	<u>January 14</u>
Hospitality	Bob & Lisa	Neil & Lorraine
Readers	Jeanne	Mark
Offerings	Louis & Jean	Brian & Pam
Ministers of the Cup	Guy & Neil	Sue & Beatrice
Commentator	Neil	Liz

Church Cleaning Schedule

Jan 8 - 14, 2018	Randal & Joann Rusk
Jan 15 - 21, 2018	Neil & Lorraine Playford

Please join us for a **potluck dinner** after 11am Mass on Sunday January 7, 2018. Lets ring in the New Year with fellowship.

Last week's collection total: Dec 31 **\$ 505.00**
 Jan 1 **\$ 130.00** Special collection
Thank You

Our three parishes now have a website!

<https://pasquiacatholic.com/>. Check it out!! St Lucy Parish also has a Facebook page: **StLucyArborfield**

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