

JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



**TODAY'S CELEBRATION:**

This year our Christmas season ends early, with the baptism of the Lord being celebrated tomorrow. That makes today the last Sunday of this year's Christmas season. As we gather to hear once again the story of the magi, let us reflect on its significance in our own lives and pray for the grace to recognize where God is

being revealed to us today.

**SATURDAY and SUNDAY'S READINGS**

January 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Isaiah 60:1-6 The glory of the Lord shines on all people.

Psalm 72: "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 God's secret plan is revealed.

Matthew 2:1-12 They presented gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

**NEXT SATURDAY'S AND SUNDAY'S READINGS**

January 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6.

Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 1: 1-3

John: 1:29-34

**STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING**

*Please bring or send your offering regularly. If you are absent, remember the Parish expenses go on just the same.*

	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
<b>Ballinger</b>			<b>\$4316.25</b>
<b>Children's</b>			<b>\$</b>
<b>Robert Lee</b>			<b>\$876.00</b>
<b>Bronte</b>			<b>\$133.50</b>

We sincerely thank all parishioners & visitors for giving so generously of their time and treasure in the true spirit of stewards. May God richly bless you & yours.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT**

**Prayer** is important in our daily life and we are called upon to pray for others, especially those who are sick. If you would like someone prayed for or information about someone being hospitalized, please send your name and email address to the parish email address. <http://ballinger@sanangelodiocese.org>.

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**Going to the Hospital?** If you are going to be in the hospital please make sure that the hospital knows that you are Catholic and publishes this on their census. If you do not do this, the Ministers to the Sick who visit the hospitals with Communion will have no way of knowing that you are there. Please also inform St. Mary.

