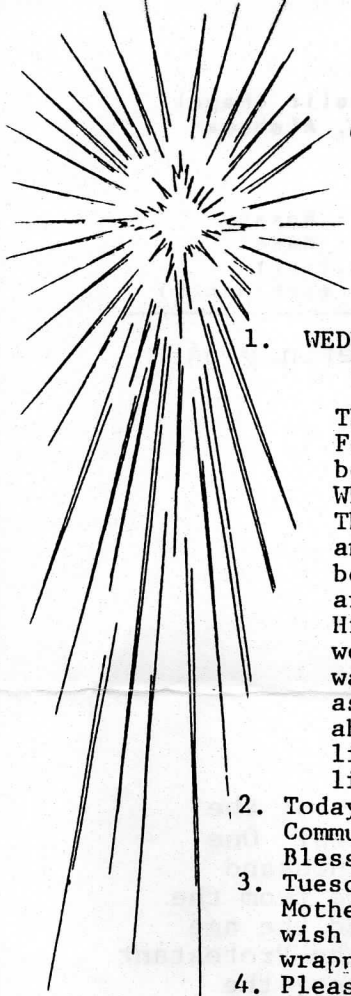


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1. WEDNESDAY, January 6, 1999 is the Marvelous FEAST of the  
EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

This Feast is ranked in the Liturgy, higher, even, than the great Feast of Christmas. This Feast is peculiarly ours - all of us - because it was on this occasion that Christ manifested Himself to us. When it occurs during the week, it is seldom properly celebrated. Therefore, it would be well for us to observe it as a special day, and a day of extra prayer. Some celebration on that day would surely be in keeping with what actually took place, when The Three Wise Men arrived before the presence of the tiny Baby, Who, when they saw Him, believed, and they fell on their knees. They saw God, and without word from anyone, they knew Who it was. The quality of their Faith was such, that God rewarded them greatly. We should pray to them, and ask them to help us improve the quality of our own Faith. The dark days ahead demand that we brighten up the light of our Faith, for whatever light there is left to remain in our lives, it will come only from the light of Faith.

2. Today, in the Abbey Church, after 10:00 A.M. Mass, all should approach the Communion Railing, to venerate the Relic of the Swaddling Clothes of our Blessed Infant Lord which we are most fortunate to possess.
3. Tuesday, February 2, 1999 is the Feast of the Purification of our Blessed Mother. It is also Candlemas Day. Therefore, if you have candles that you wish blessed on that day, please bring them to the Abbey Church - properly wrapped and identified, and they will be blessed along with all the candles.
4. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-Ins of our Chapels, especially remembering Al Sachs.
5. THE MONKS AND THE SISTERS OF OUR RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ONE AND ALL WHO BROUGHT GIFTS DURING THE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. WE ARE PROFOUNDLY GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR MONASTIC COMMUNITIES. YOU CAN ALWAYS BE CERTAIN OF OUR PRAYERS AND GOOD WORKS. IN YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE HERE TO BE A STRENGTH, NOT ONLY TO YOU, BUT TO ALL YOU HOLD NEAR AND DEAR TO YOU. EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE WALKED AWAY FROM THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH, WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILIES WHO HAVE TURNED THEIR BACKS ON THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS. MAY GOD GIVE THEM THE GRACE TO SEE THE GREAT MISTAKE THEY ARE MAKING.
6. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Abbot Leonard's Schedule Only)

SUNDAY:	For the People of the Chapels
MONDAY:	Dec. Hugh Coyle
TUESDAY:	Special Int. Salmon Family
WEDNESDAY:	Welfare of Monks of Christ the King Abbey
THURSDAY:	Dec. Of Geneva Thomas Family
FRIDAY:	Special Int. Father Theodore Bradley
SATURDAY:	Welfare Coburn & Lillian Walker

All nations shall serve him.