

January 8, 2017

Feast of the  
Epiphany



**Mass Schedule:**

Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
(interpreted)

At Masses we  
remember:

10 am: June Lopa

December 18 collection  
\$370.00

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- *This week Newman will be collecting personal care items to take to the St. Francis Inn the week of January 14-20.*
- *Saturday morning, January 14th, a group from Newman @ RIT will be traveling to Philadelphia for a service learning week. Please keep us in your prayers. Check Facebook for updates and photos.*
- *The Mass schedule for January will be: January 15th—10 am Mass. January 22nd—10 am and 5 pm and January 29—10 am and 5 pm. As always, the 10 am will be interpreted.*

## RIT Nation

Happy New Year! It is great to be back on campus and looking forward to a new semester. I am hoping that you were able to have a good Christmas season, filled with friends and family and all that goes along with old traditions as well as new traditions.

On a personal note, I have often used the painting below when referencing a feast of Mary. It is called the Annunciation by Henry Ossawa Tanner, painted in 1898. It hangs in the Philadelphia Museum of Art and last week I had the opportunity to see the painting in person. It was an awesome experience. The size, the texture, everything about it drew me into the experience. As I found myself standing before this piece of art, I realized that God comes to each of us in a variety of ways each and everyday. Henry Tanner, in a controversial move for 1898, choose to portray the angel announcing the message of Jesus' presence as a bright beam of light. I found myself wondering, if God came to me as subtly as sunlight streaming through a window, or a beam of light in the darkness, would I recognize God's message? Wednesday evening, December 28th at the Philadelphia Museum of Art will stay with me for a very long time. My eyes were opened in a new way. I saw God's presence in our world differently and at the same time very present in the ordinary. May we begin this new year, recognizing the God in our midst both subtly and clearly.

Peace my friends. Have a great week!

Alice MN

