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## *Kid's Bulletin*



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## **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a

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# The Epiphany

At the beginning of the new year we celebrate both Mary, the Mother of God and the Epiphany, which is when the wise men came from far away to worship baby Jesus.



Imagine that you are living a long time ago in Bethlehem and your parents have invited a poor family to stay at your house: a mother, a father and a new baby.

One day something amazing happens: some rich men from a far away country come to see the baby and bring expensive treasures for him! Do you know who the family is now? Who is the baby?

The baby is Jesus, of course, and the mother is Mary. She holds Jesus on her lap so the wise men can bow down to Him and worship Him. Mary cooperated with God to bring Jesus into the world so that we could all see and love and worship Him.



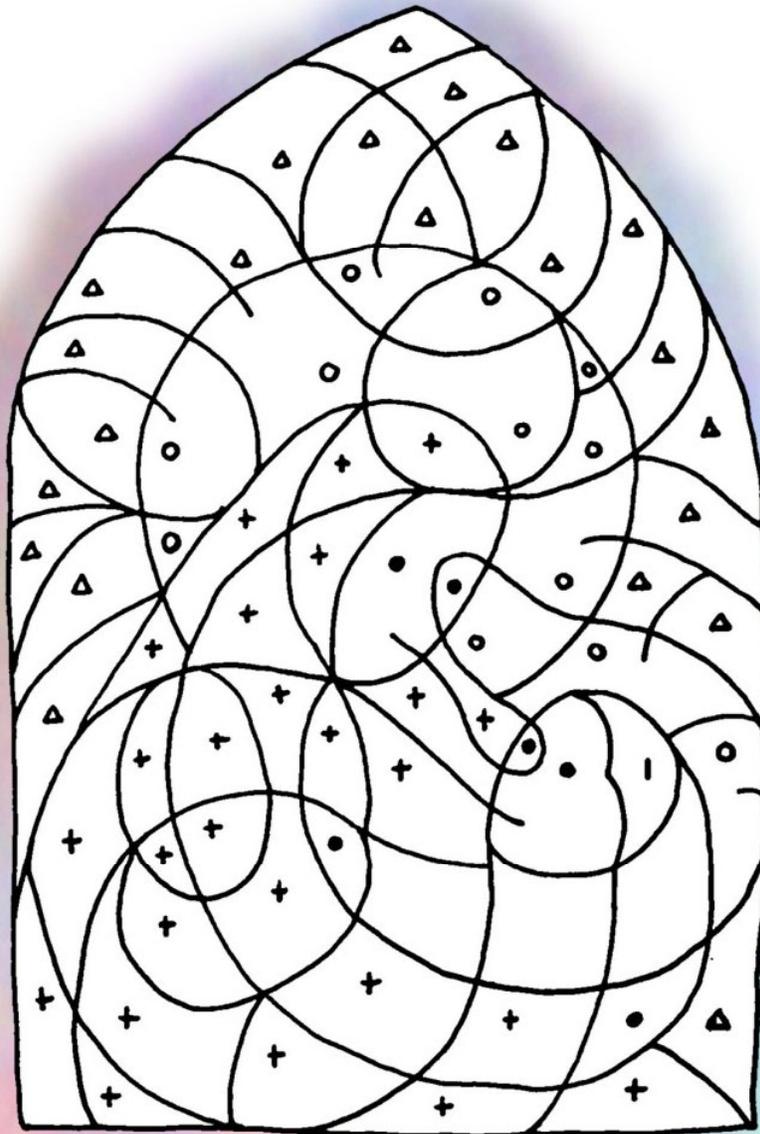
*Can you thank Mary today for bringing Jesus to us?*

Answer to Octave of Christmas Word-Find:  
Mary the Mother of God

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*Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God: Jan. 1  
& Feast of the Epiphany: January 4 or 6, 2026*



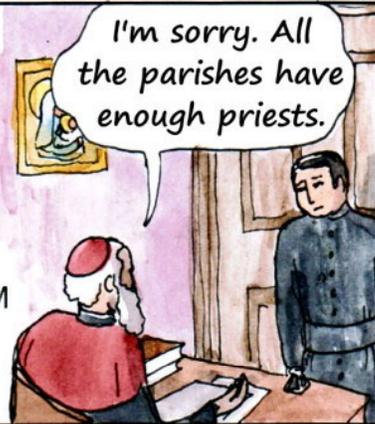
*Whose feast is it on New Year's Day?  
Colour in the spaces to see! Here's the code:*

- |         |               |          |
|---------|---------------|----------|
| + Blue  | ▲ Pink        | ○ Yellow |
| ┆ Brown | ● Skin colour |          |

# Saint John Neumann

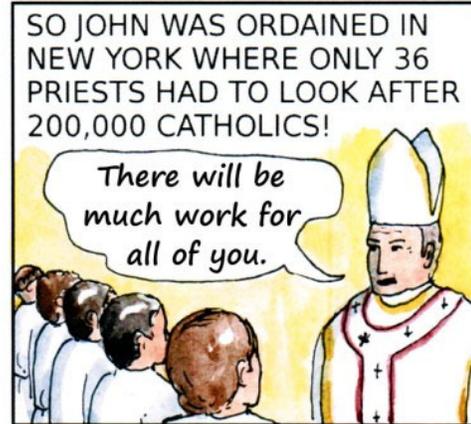
## January 5

JOHN NEUMANN WAS BORN IN BOHEMIA IN 1811. HE STUDIED FOR THE PRIESTHOOD BUT THE BISHOP WOULD NOT ORDAIN HIM BECAUSE THEY HAD SO MANY PRIESTS!



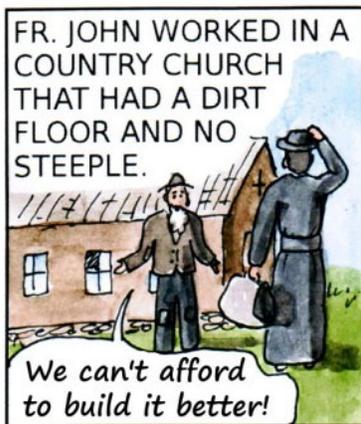
*I'm sorry. All the parishes have enough priests.*

SO JOHN WAS ORDAINED IN NEW YORK WHERE ONLY 36 PRIESTS HAD TO LOOK AFTER 200,000 CATHOLICS!



*There will be much work for all of you.*

FR. JOHN WORKED IN A COUNTRY CHURCH THAT HAD A DIRT FLOOR AND NO STEEPLE.



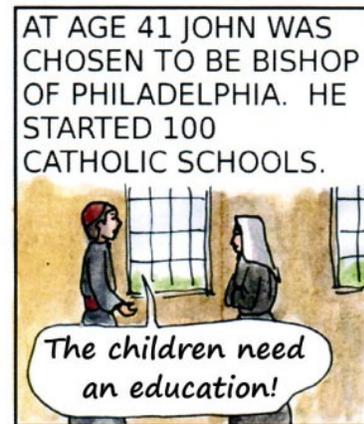
*We can't afford to build it better!*

*It takes us two hours to get here. Can you come to our house next?*



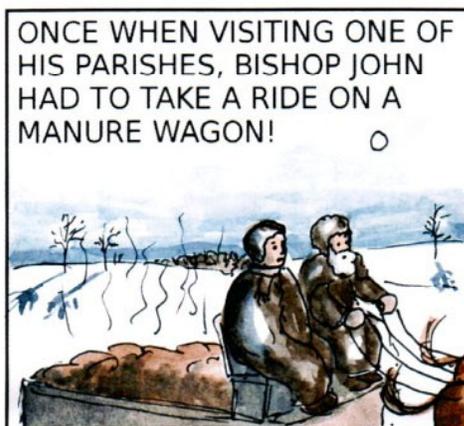
HE TRAVELED FROM VILLAGE TO VILLAGE, OFFERING MASS IN PEOPLE'S HOUSES.

AT AGE 41 JOHN WAS CHOSEN TO BE BISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA. HE STARTED 100 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.



*The children need an education!*

ONCE WHEN VISITING ONE OF HIS PARISHES, BISHOP JOHN HAD TO TAKE A RIDE ON A MANURE WAGON!



*Your Excellency, could you hear my friend's confession in French?*



*Sure!*

ST. JOHN WAS ABLE TO HELP PEOPLE WHO CAME FROM ALL OVER EUROPE BECAUSE HE COULD SPEAK MANY LANGUAGES. HE ALSO TAUGHT BY WRITING IN NEWSPAPERS.

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN WORKED TIRELESSLY TO HELP THE POOR PEOPLE WHO WERE SETTLING IN AMERICA. HE DID NOT LET HIS OWN POVERTY SLOW HIM DOWN. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIS EXAMPLE TO USE OUR TALENTS TO BRING GOD TO THE WORLD NO MATTER HOW MUCH OR HOW LITTLE WE HAVE.

# Octave of Christmas Word-Find



*Can you find all the words in the list in the puzzle below?  
Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.*

ANGELS  
ANIMALS  
BABY  
BARN  
BETHLEHEM  
BORN  
COLD  
FIELDS  
FOUND

GLORY  
GOD  
HOLY  
JESUS  
JOSEPH  
MANGER  
MARY  
MOTHER  
NIGHT

PRAISE  
SAVIOUR  
SHEEP  
SHEPHERDS  
SING  
SKY  
STABLE  
WONDER  
WORSHIP

W P M S I N G N I G H T  
O R A T A N I M A L S B  
N A S A N G E L S R H E  
D I A B M O T H E R E T  
E S V L A D J O S E P H  
R E I E R Y E L T H H L  
G L O R Y E S Y M O E E  
F B U T H E U S K Y R H  
O A R W O R S H I P D E  
U B A R N F I E L D S M  
N Y R M A N G E R O F G  
D O D C O L D P B O R N

On the eighth  
day of  
Christmas we  
honour in a  
special way

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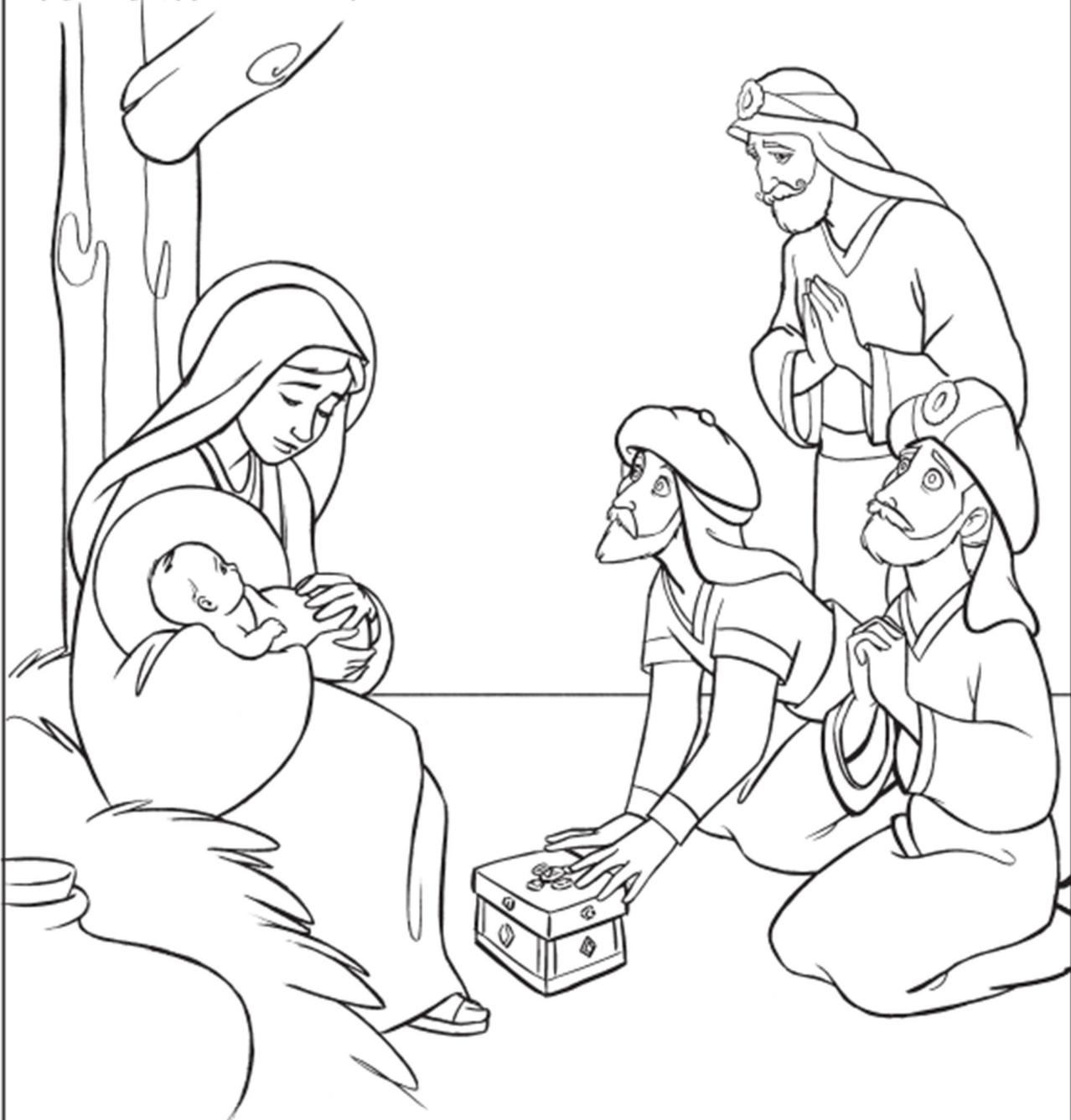
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*Helping You Bring the Joy of the Faith to Your Family*



They prostrated themselves and did Him homage.  
Then they opened their treasures and offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
(Matthew 2:11)

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Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord - A

1. The color vestments the priest is wearing are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The first reading is from the book of:
  - a. Isaiah
  - b. Genesis
  - c. Numbers
3. We are told in this Gospel, "Nations shall walk by your \_\_\_\_\_, and kings by your shining radiance."
4. What is the Responsorial Psalm? "Lord, every \_\_\_\_\_ on earth will adore You."
5. The second reading is from Saint Paul's letter to:
  - a. The Romans
  - b. Titus
  - c. The Ephesians
6. In this letter, Saint Paul says, "You have heard of the stewardship of God's \_\_\_\_\_ that was given to me for your benefit."
7. The Gospel reading is from the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Whom does the Gospel refer to here: "When \_\_\_\_\_ heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him."
9. Yes or No: Did the Magi return to King Herod after they finished visiting Jesus?
10. BONUS: Who is referred to as "the king of the Jews"? \_\_\_\_\_

ANSWER KEY - Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord - A

1. The color vestments the priest is wearing are white.
2. The first reading is from the book of:
  - a. Isaiah ←Correct!
  - b. Genesis
  - c. Numbers
3. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance."
4. What is the Responsorial Psalm? "Lord, every nation on earth will adore You."
5. The second reading is from Saint Paul's letter to:
  - a. The Romans
  - b. Titus
  - c. The Ephesians ←Correct!
6. In this letter, Saint Paul says, "You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit."
7. The Gospel reading is from the Gospel of Matthew.
8. Whom does the Gospel refer to here: "When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him."
9. Did the Magi return to Herod after they finished visiting Jesus? No
10. BONUS #1: Who is referred to as "the king of the Jews"? Jesus

## The Epiphany of the Lord

- ◊ The color vestments the priest is wearing are...

 circle your answer!



RED



GREEN



VIOLET



ROSE



WHITE

**PARENTS & EDUCATORS:** Print in *color* for best results!

This worksheet is intended for ages approx. 4-6, those not yet reading or just learning. They may need simple instructions from you to complete the activities.

- ◊ The first reading is from the book of

Isaiah

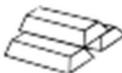


- ◊ The Responsorial Psalm is:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore You.

- ◊ The second reading is from the Letter to the

Ephesians



- ◊ Today's Gospel is according to

Matthew



Gold: \_\_\_\_\_

Frankincense: \_\_\_\_\_

Myrrh: \_\_\_\_\_



"We saw His star at its rising  
and have come to do Him homage."



# GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE A



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Epiphany of the Lord • Matthew 2:1-12