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Parish Office Hours

Monday/Lunes/Poniedziałek

9:00AM—5:00PM

Tuesday/Martes/Wtorek

9:00AM—8:00PM

Wednesday/Miercoles/Sroda

9:00AM—6:00PM

Thursday/Jueves/Czwartek

9:00AM—5:00PM

Friday/Viernes/Piątek

9:00AM—5:00PM

Closed for Lunch

12:00PM—1:00PM

Saturday/Sabado/Sobota

9:00AM—3:00PM

Sunday/Domingo/Niedziela

Parish Office Closed

Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas/Harmonogram mszy

Weekday/Día laborable/Dzień powszedni—8:30AM

Saturday Vigil/Sábado Vigilia/Sobotnia Wigilia—4:30PM

Sunday Mass/misa dominical/Niedzielną Msza św—

8:00AM—English

11:00AM—English

9:30AM—Polski

12:30PM —Español

Devotions/Oraciones/Modlitwy

Novena of O. L. of the Miraculous Medal and St. Anne

Mondays following the morning Mass

Rosary/Rosario/Różaniec

Prayed Daily after the 8:30AM Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Each 1st Friday of the month following morning Mass until 3:00pm. If you are interested in signing up for an hour of adoration with the Lord, please call the rectory.

Catholic Cemeteries

For information and available options, please call 718.894.4888.

January 7, 2024 The Epiphany of the Lord

Reconciliation/Reconciliación/Spowiedź św.

Saturdays 3:30PM—4:00PM

First Friday of Month 6:00 PM to 6:50PM

Or by appointment

Baptism/Bautismo/Chrzest

Baptisms will be celebrated the second Sunday of the month. Please call the Parish Office for scheduling and information.

Matrimony/Matrimonio/Małzenstwo

Marriage arrangements must be made at least six (6) months prior to the proposed wedding date. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Prayer Groups/Grupos de Oración/Grupy Modlitewne

Padre Pio Prayer Group (English-Italian)

First Saturday of each month at 8:30am Mass.

Spanish Prayer Group

Prayer Group meets every other Tuesday at 7:30pm.



ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 6, 2024 - St. Andre Bessette

8:30 am Padre Pio Prayer Group
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish
 Friedrich & Maria Hoenigmann (Elfi)

Sunday, January 7, 2024 - The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am Nina Gangi (Andrew & Loretta Watz)
 9:30 am (Polish) Patrick Mlynarczyk (Mom & Dad)
 11:00 am Paula Faria (Faria Family)
 12:30 pm (Spanish) Luis Nestor Fuela Fajardo, Rosa Maria Sirinaula
 Losada & Guadalupe Fajardo (Julio Fuela & Luis Fajardo)

Monday, January 8, 2024 - The Baptism of the Lord

8:30 am Antonio Oliveira (Gil Family)

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

8:30 am Emma & Albert Hoenigmann (Elfi)

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory, Burgio Family & Toma
 (Grazia)

Thursday, January 11, 2024

8:30 am Frank Karpowicz - 16th Anniversary - Rest in
 Peace (Irene Ostrowski)

Friday, January 12, 2024

8:30 am Fabiola Sierra (Juan Perez)

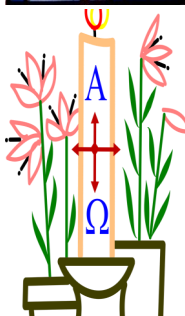
Saturday, January 13, 2024 - St. Hilary

8:30 am Purgatorial Society
 4:30 pm For the People of the Parish
 Robert Meano (Vincent Arcuri & Family)
 Tadeusz Lojewski - 18th Anniversary - Rest in
 Peace (Irene Ostrowski)
 Julian Perez (Living) (Juan Perez)
 Dorothy & Russell Hartmann (Susan & Family)



Memorial Gifts
 Week of January 7, 2024

Bread, Wine & Candles
In Memory of
Eileen Moraglia
Requested by:
Padre Pio Prayer Group



The 2023 Paschal Candle
has been donated
In Memory of
Michael & Mary Leccese
Requested by:
Jo-Ann & Phyllis Leccese

Please Pray for the Sick:

Kathleen Eveline, Sharon & Barney Magro,
 Monica Giglietto, George Nolde, Ryder Chevalley,
 Noah Seranno, Sylvia & Robert Nolde, Barbara Frankel,
 Frank Crifasi, Anissa Johnson, Tom Hegyi, Florinda Rose,
 Elena Barcelona, William & Donna Nolde, Janet Seminara,
 Thomas Marutollo, Daniel Portalatin, Antonia Lahara,
 Jerry Aguilar, Julie Maldonado, Edward Fried, Linda Nolde,
 Susan Scanlon, Jerry Ross, Maureen Cooper, Rose Colon,
 Vincenza Scilla, Neil Sussman, Eileen Moore,
 Jean DeFelice, Lorraine Gloria Rocco, Rosemary Bock,
 Veronica Bock, Vinnie DePaola, Cathleen Hock,
 Diana Acosta, Jane & Tom Holoran, Jamie Makaron,
 Charles R. Gruber, Nancy Gonzalez, Vincent Arcuri,
 Francesco Crifasi, Elizabeth C. Stein, Carmen Reyes,
 Joan Marie Ann Record, Milagros Morales, James Spoto,
 Penelope Lee Canton, Philece Salierno, Christopher Kelly,
 Michele Gambino, Rosemarie Maly, Lisa Chevalley,
 Steven Piller, Richard & Florence Maly, Sr. Noemi Valdes,
 Barbara Bauer, Catalino Ramirez, Francesca Ferraro,
 Christopher Romeo, Edna Krusz, Sandy Yankow,
 Kathleen Bossio, Barbara Frosina, Raffaella Cifaldi,
 Josephine Shea, Francine Romeo, Noah Rivera,
 Elizabeth Clark, Ann Winkler, Marilyn Koch,
 Linda Wachsmith, and Kevin Joost.

Please Pray for the Faithful Departed:

Marie Corda
Georgiana Schmitt
Alvin Rose

May they rest in peace! Amen

Mass Intentions are Available

Saturday, January 27, 2024 8:30am
 Saturday, January 27, 2024 4:30pm
 Monday, February 5, 2024 8:30am
 Wednesday, February 14, 2024 8:30am
 Wednesday, February 14, 2024 6:00pm
 Friday, February 16, 2024 8:30am
 Saturday, February 17, 2024 8:30am
 Monday, February 26, 2024 8:30am
 Friday, March 8, 2024 8:30am

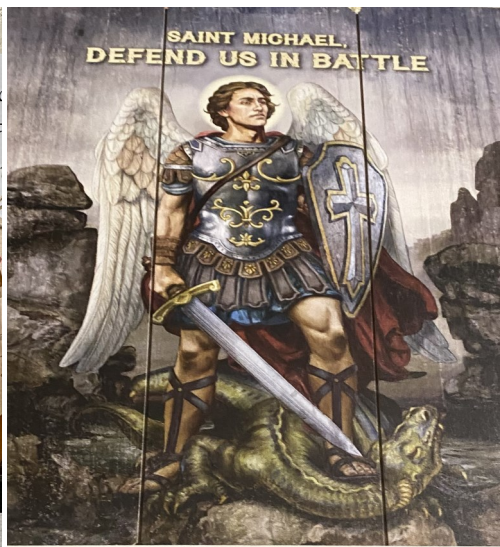


There are weekly Memorials available :

Bread, Wine and Candles (\$25)
 Sanctuary Lamps (\$25)
 The St. Anne Shrine Lamp (\$25)
 Ringing of the Bells (\$25)
 Blessed Mother Oil Lamp(\$25)
 St. Joseph Oil Lamp (\$25)

ST. PANCRAS GIFT SHOP

WE HAVE A WIDE VARIETY OF RELIGIOUS PRODUCTS, SACRAMENT GIFTS, SEASONAL GIFTS, STATUES, GREETING CARDS AND BOOKS. IF YOU DON'T SEE WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR, WE CAN ORDER IT FOR YOU.



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 7, 2024

FIRST READING:

Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)

PSALM:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)

SECOND READING:

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)

GOSPEL:

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

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THANK YOU

**TO ALL WHO
GENEROUSLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE
CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE CHURCH**

**TO ALL WHO SENT GREETINGS TO
MSGR. STEVEN AND FR. WLAD**

**TO ALL WHO DONATED TO THE
GIVING TREE AND
THE SEMINARIAN GIFTS**

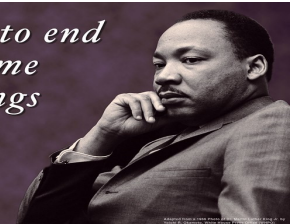
**TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN
OUR FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**

**TO ALL WHO JOINED WITH US TO
CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD**

The Parish Office will be closed
on Monday, January 15, 2024
in observance of
Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

*Our lives begin to end
the day we become
silent about things
that matter.*

Martin Luther King, Jr.



OUR CALL TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

"As each has received a gift, employ it for one another as good stewards of God's Grace." (1 Peter 4:10)

December 24, 2023 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

Attendance at Mass: 594

Sunday Offering Envelopes Received: 161

Number of Give Central Users: 23

Amount Received from Envelope Users: \$2,633.00

Amount Received from Non-Envelope Users: \$1,130.00

Amount Received from Online Giving Users: \$567.00

Total Weekly Contributions: \$4,330.00

Special Collection--Catholic Charities: \$1,543.00



**Wishing our Parish Family
a Happy, Healthy and
Blessed New Year!**



The Music Ministry of St. Pancras

Dear Parishioners,

As we gather in joyful anticipation on this Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, our hearts are drawn to the Gospel of Matthew, where we encounter the wise men from the East seeking the newborn King. Their journey, guided by a star, serves as a profound reminder of the universal call to encounter and worship the Christ-child.

Just as the Magi embarked on a physical journey to find the Messiah, we too are on a spiritual pilgrimage. The Epiphany challenges us to reflect on our own journey of faith, asking ourselves: What star is guiding us? What are the gifts we bring to the feet of Jesus?

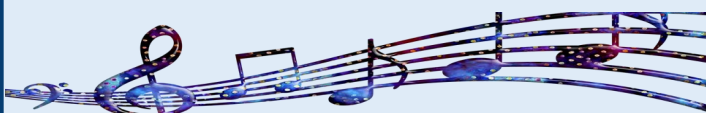
In their encounter with Herod, the Magi exemplify the discernment needed on our spiritual path. Herod symbolizes the worldly distractions that can divert us from the true light of Christ. As we navigate our own challenges and temptations, let us remain steadfast in our pursuit of the divine light, trusting in God's guidance.

The three gifts presented by the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—carry profound symbolic meaning. Gold represents Christ's kingship, frankincense His divinity, and myrrh His sacrifice. As we offer our lives to Christ, let us ponder the significance of these gifts and the depth of commitment required in our discipleship.

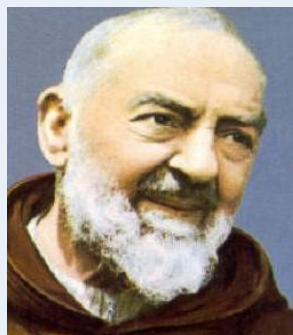
The Epiphany calls us to be a beacon of Christ's light in our communities. Let our lives be a living testimony to the Gospel, radiating the love, mercy, and joy found in our Savior. May our worship extend beyond the sanctuary into the world, just as the Magi's journey had repercussions far beyond Bethlehem.

As we celebrate the Epiphany, let us open our hearts to the transformative power of encountering Christ. May the radiant star of Bethlehem guide us in our daily lives, and may the gifts we bring be a testament to the profound impact of our encounter with the Lord.

—Jonathan D'Amico, Music Director



Church News



Padre Pio Prayer Group

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the first Saturday of the month at the 8:30 am Mass.

The group prays in Italian and English.

All are welcome to join the prayer group.

The yearly dues are \$25.00.

Please come and join us! For more information please call the parish office.

The next meeting is February 3, 2024.

Spanish Prayer Group

Grupo de Oración en Español

Martes, 16 de Enero

a las 7:30 PM en el Templo

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 @ 7:30pm

Alabanzas, Adoración,

Prédica y Oración.

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LO PIERDAS!!!



ST. PANCRAS BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Are you struggling with the recent loss of a loved one and would you like support? We invite you to our newly formed Bereavement Group.

Our next monthly meeting is Thursday, January 18th at 7:30pm.

There will be monthly meetings on Thursdays. For more information, contact Ann Winkler at 917-860-7634.

FOR THE CHILDREN OF ST. PANCRAS CHURCH

The Kids' Bulletin

Epiphany Sunday
January 7th, 2024

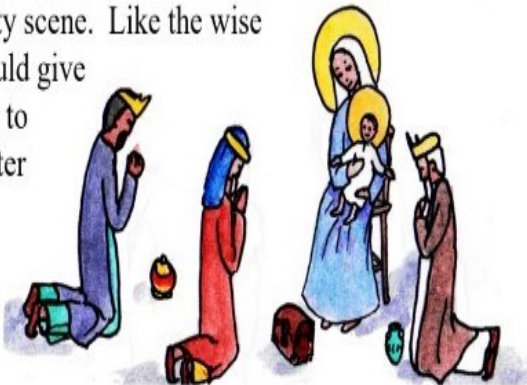
The Magi Come to Worship Jesus



Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, which is when the Magi, or wise men, of the East came to find and worship Baby Jesus. They travelled for many weeks across harsh country to find the new King, bringing their best treasures to give to Him.

Where did these men find the baby King? Not in Jerusalem in the palace, with riches and servants! They found Him in a little town, in a house with just His mother, Mary. But they still knew Who the Baby was, so they bowed down to Him and gave Him their treasures.

The wise men teach us that we can honour God in all sorts of places. Jesus is there when you help ordinary people and poor people. He is honoured when you pray at a little nativity scene. Like the wise men, we should give our very best to Jesus no matter where He is.



Answers to Cross-Word: Across: 1. Frankincense 2. Jesus 3. at 4. Mary 5. Herod 15. King 16. gold 18. Bethlehem Down: 1. Myrrh 6. to 8. East 9. star 11. find 14. secretly 7. overjoyed 10. they 12. as 13. his 17. lie

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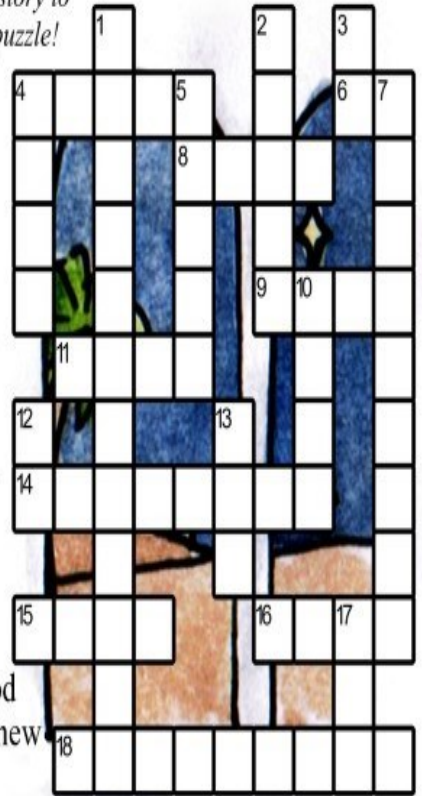
EPIPHANY CROSS-WORD

Fill in the blanks in the story to
find the words for the puzzle!

Around the time that _____ (2d) was born, some wise men from the _____ (8a) saw in the sky a special _____ (9a) at _____ (13d) rising, and followed it to _____ (11a) the new-born Saviour. First they came to Jerusalem where _____ (10d) went to ask _____ (15a) Herod if he knew where the new King would be born.

_____ (12d) Herod did not know, he called the priests and scribes, who told them that the Baby would be born in _____ (18a). Then Herod told a _____ (17d) and said that he wanted to go and honour the Baby King too, and told the men to return once they had found him and tell him where the Baby was. The men were _____ (7d) when they found Jesus with his mother _____ (4d), and they did him homage, giving their gifts of _____ (16a), _____ (1d)

and _____ (4a). But _____ (3d) night an angel appeared _____ (6a) them and told them to _____ (14a) go home by another road, since King _____ (5d) wanted to kill Baby Jesus.



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

At the time of Jesus' birth, it was commonly believed that a new star would appear whenever a new ruler was born. The Father in Heaven used this belief to honor His Son, the new King. When three astrologers from the East, the Magi, saw this "new star," they chose to follow it to discover the new King. Pointing the way, in the form of a star, was creation itself.

The word "Epiphany" means "manifestation," inviting us to look at how Christ is manifest in our own hearts.

First, when the Magi saw a sign from the heavens that pointed to a new King, they stopped everything and departed in haste to find Him. When God speaks to you and manifests Himself to you in some way, nothing could be more important than to be attentive to His voice and follow Him with the same haste.

The Magi brought the Christ Child gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Gold symbolized kingship. When we ponder the gift of gold given to the Christ Child, we are inspired to give Him our own symbolic gold by prayerfully acknowledging Him as our King to whom we pledge complete submission.

Used in worship to symbolize prayers rising to heaven, frankincense symbolizes the Christ Child's divinity. We offer frankincense to Christ when we acknowledge His divine nature. Often used in burial, myrrh honors the Christ Child Who came to give His life as a sacrifice for many. We offer myrrh to profess our belief in the saving power of Christ's death on the Cross and our need for that gift of salvation.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany, see it as a historical event in which you are invited to share. God wants to manifest Himself to you today. When this happens, respond with faith and worship, giving God the greatest glory by giving Him your very life and offering Him your spiritual gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Most glorious Christ Child, please manifest Yourself within my soul where You wish to be born. May I follow the example of the Magi, offering You my own gifts in adoration and trust. Jesus, I trust in You.

<https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/january-6-epiphany/#short>

**Wise Men
Still Seek
Him!**

The
Epiphany
of the
Lord





THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

A BRIEF SUMMARY

The prophetic papal encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*) was written by Pope St. John Paul II in 1995 to reaffirm the value and inviolability of every human life and to appeal to all people to respect, protect, love, and serve every human life. The following is a brief overview of this important document.

The Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world. Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. For this reason, direct attacks on human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, are always unacceptable. Yet, sadly we see new and expanding threats to human life emerging on an alarming scale. These new threats to life are often justified, protected, and even promoted by our laws and culture.

The Gospel of life is at the heart of Jesus' saving message to the world.

Not only must human life not be taken, but it must be protected with loving concern. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world. God made the human person with the capacity to love and reason and share in a relationship with himself, the Creator. The human person bears an indelible imprint of God and is the pinnacle of all creation. The source of our dignity is not only linked to our creation by God, but to our final end and destiny to spend eternity with the Father. By accepting Christ as our Savior through the ministry of the Church, despite our sinfulness, we can begin to share in eternal life even now.

In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is always good.

Despite the grave threats to human life in the modern world, we, as the People of God, are called to place our faith in Jesus, the "Word of life" (1 Jn 1:1). As Christians, we have received the full truth about human life as proclaimed by the very person of Jesus. In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is *always good*. The true meaning of our lives is found in giving and receiving love. It is only through this understanding of a sincere gift of self that human sexuality and procreation reach their true and full significance.

God holds the lives of all people in his gentle and loving care, giving meaning and value to any sufferings that we bear. Even within the mystery which surrounds suffering and death, these experiences can become saving events as we unite them with Christ's own sacrifice. By making human life the instrument of our salvation, the Son of God shows us the priceless value of human life.

Although the roots of violence against life are not new—going all the way back to Genesis,

when Cain took the life of his brother Abel—our modern world is now suffering under a culture of death. Scientific and technological advances and an increasingly secularized world have led to an eclipse of the value of human life. However, respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of the human person and his integral development. We must reject systems of structuralized sin which value efficiency and productivity over human persons.

Governments and international institutions promote abortion and euthanasia as marks of progress and freedom. But this is a false and perverse understanding in which freedom is equated with absolute individualism. True freedom is inherently relational, recognizing that God has entrusted us to one another. As cultures and societies fail to recognize these objective truths, everything becomes relative, and all principles are called into question—even the fundamental right to life. However, the blood of Christ's sacrifice remains our constant hope.

To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.

Christ's gift of himself on the Cross reveals how precious life truly is and gives us the strength to commit ourselves to building a *culture of life*. Christ's blood, shed for us, promises that in God's plan death will be no more, and life will be victorious.



Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life. Each life is a gift from God and ultimately belongs to him. He has sole authority over life and death. We are therefore called to reverence and love every human person, loving our neighbors as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us.

Having received the gift of the Gospel of life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of life to the world. *To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself.* Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society. In every child which is born, and in every person who lives or dies, we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ.

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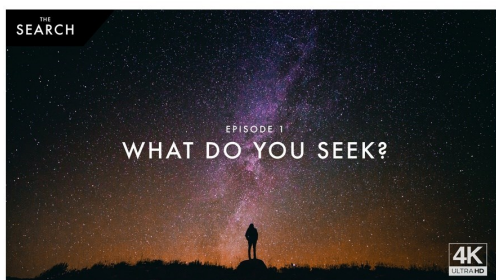
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Week of January 07, 2024



What Do You Seek? | The Search | Episode 1

What is that deep longing in our hearts all about? We're all living for something, and we all strive for that something out there that is ultimately going to make us happy. But what is it? Watch Episode 1 of The Search to begin to answer this question.



Arianism

Is Jesus truly God? Learn about the fourth-century heresy, Arianism, and the derivative heresy of Apollinarianism.



Who Are the Magi?

In this FORMED Now! special episode, Dr. Michael Barber sits down to reflect on the Magi from the Gospel accounts and what spiritual lessons can be learned from this historical event recorded in Scripture.

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