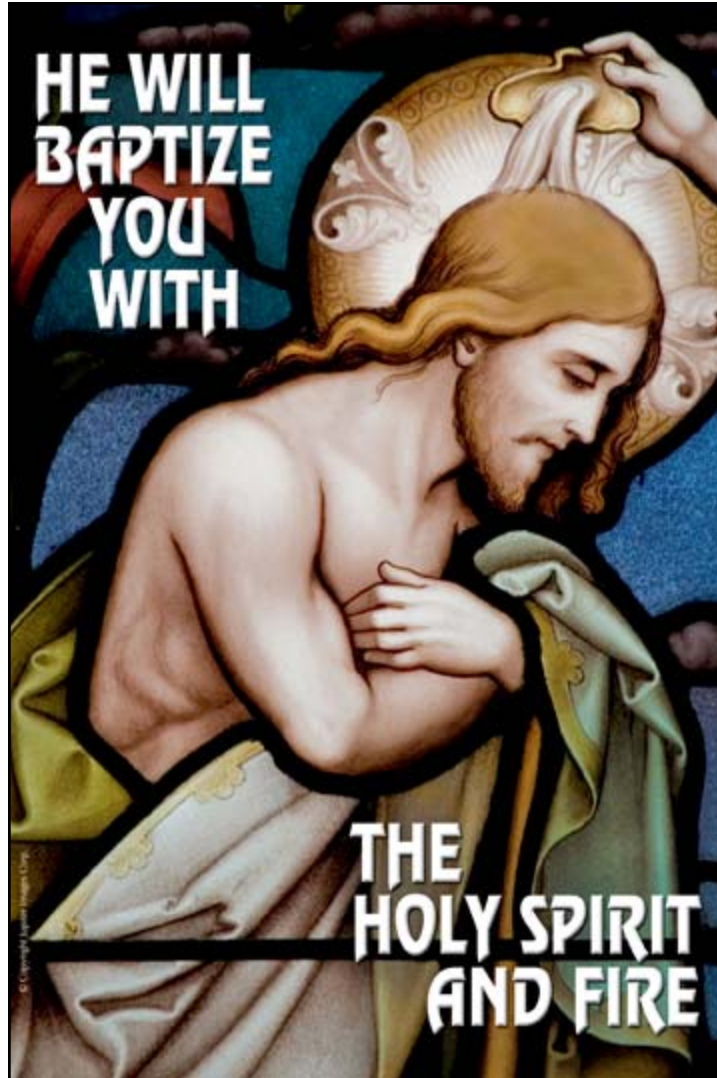


*Our Lady of the Brook Parish*  
*Northbrook, Illinois*



January 10, 2010  
The Baptism of the Lord

***Our Lady of the Brook Mission Statement***

Our Lady of the Brook Parish is called to be a Catholic Community where all are welcome.

Believing God to be the center of life, we commit to:

- † Remember the values handed on to us in the Sacred Scriptures and teachings of the Apostles
- † Celebrate Christ's presence among us in Word and Sacrament
- † Act to foster peace, justice and compassion for all.

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**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday Anticipated Mass - 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday Masses - 8 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:15 AM**  
**Daily Mass - Monday through Friday - 8:30 AM**  
**Holy Day Masses - as Announced**

**Baptisms**

Baptism - 1:00 PM on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

**Sacraments of Reconciliation & Anointing**

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturdays at 11:00 AM until all confessions are heard or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion to the Homebound is available upon request.

**Weddings**

Marriage - Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance.

For all of these sacraments, please call the rectory office.

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, January 9, 2010**

5:00 PM † Deceased members of the Bubak & Dougherty family

**Sunday, January 10, 2010**

8:00 AM All the Members of Our Lady of the Brook Parish family  
 9:30 AM † George Kiefer, Jr. request of family,  
 † Alec Gillan request of Frances Gillan  
 11:15 AM † Natalie Petroskey request of Jim & Renee Mitchell

**Monday, January 11, 2010**

8:30 AM † Teresita & Fred Villanueva request of George Snurpus

**Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

8:30 AM † Amelia Meunzer request of Joe & Gilah Pomponi

**Wednesday, January 13, 2010**

8:30 AM For All Those Who Suffer From Loneliness

**Thursday, January 14, 2010**

8:30 AM For All Those Who Have Lost a Parent or Step-parent

**Friday, January 15, 2010**

8:30 AM † Josephine Rzeszewski request of Louise & Florianne Rzeszewski

**Saturday, January 16, 2010**

5:00 PM † Lichter & Rengel families request of family  
 † Wilfredo & Teresita Villanueva request of family

**Sunday, January 17, 2010**

8:00 AM All the Members of Our Lady of the Brook Parish family  
 9:30 AM † Violet Moran request of Fr. Moran,  
 † Christine Bronken request of Bob & Anna Mae Kubis  
 11:15 AM † Natalie Petroskey request of Renee & Jim Mitchell  
 † Deirdre Noonan request of family



**For Those Who Have Requested Our Prayers**

Donald Abernathy, Sidney Ament, Aaron Baqai, Paulette Baqai, Katie Buchert, Paul Butzen, Fredrico Colina, Audrey Copa, Soledad de la Torre, Mary Didier, Harry Duppler, Elizabeth Ely, John Fielkowski, Laura Gilbert, John Horency, Brady Irwin, Vince Jans, Milton Johnson, Fr. Charlie Kouba, Rev. Medard Laz, Enrique Lopez, Ryan Morrissey, Phyllis Murphy, John Ormond, Dorino Politano, Katharina Rill, Tony Rodino, Monica Rosenquist, Lucille Sommers, Angelo Suranno, Jade Swisher, Patricia Tingay, Victor P. Villasin, Colleen Vita, Marcella Zerwic

**Pray Also For Those Born to Eternal Life**

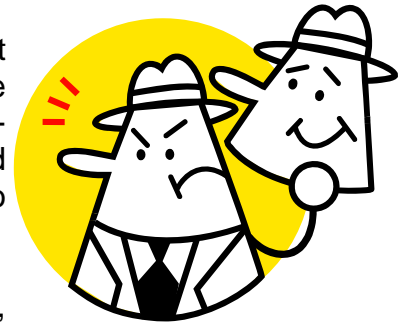
Virginia Grandt  
 Leonard Tralmer  
 Christine Bischof

To be accused of being two-faced is to be accused of being inconsistent at best, and at worst, hypocritical. This comes to mind

## Lines of Communication

as the controversy swirls around the proposal to implement full body scans at airports—the matter of privacy (please read “modesty”) is invoked. It seems just a bit strange that some of those objecting to the scan are vocal advocates of “transparency” in other matters. Hmmm.

At any rate I think that being two-faced can be a valuable asset that can and should be encouraged. Remember that we are in the month of January, named in honor of Janus the two-faced god of the Romans. Janus was the guardian of the door with one face looking outward to protect against intruders and the other face looking into the home to provide domestic tranquility.



Any sort of planning that takes place, whether on the domestic, local, parochial, or governmental level had best take lessons from the past into account. The adage, “*those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it,*” comes to mind. Of course, as with any adage or saying, this is only true part of the time, albeit a goodly amount of the time. Taken too far and you reach the maxim that states that in the military the generals plan how to win the last war: they rely too much on the past without taking into account the changes and innovations that have become effective since the last battle.

Being open to learn from history is a valuable ability, but trying to live in the past or change the past is debilitating. Likewise, planning for the future is necessary, but dreaming too much of what is yet to come is harmful. Most of us live pretty well in the present without only the occasional foray into nostalgia or dreamland.

Now, just where are these musings going? Some folk who are doubtful or even cynical about religion claim that it tolerates suffering or injustice because the goal is heaven, a place that, in their view, exists in dreamland. Other harp continually about the wretched history of war and intolerance that religion has contributed to in the past, and which continues in some degree today. Ahh, too much of the future, too much of the past. If we hear the Gospel message about recognizing Christ present in the hungry and homeless, the thirsty and inadequately clothed, the oppressed and imprisoned, and act on that message, then we show that we have learned from the past and are acting in the present – and that will assure a blessed future, both on earth and in heaven

Peace, now and always,

*Fr. Tom*

### The Jesse Tree Project

Throughout the season of Advent, the Jesse Tree in the Social Area blossomed with the names of our parishioners. Before the Christmas season is over, take a good look at the Jesse Tree banner. How many of those names do you recognize as friends, neighbors, and fellow worshipers? You might be surprised. Challenge yourself this year to meet five new people from our parish – maybe the friend of a friend, maybe a new parishioner, maybe a familiar face whose name you do not yet know. Give it a try; it’s not too difficult. Start by introducing yourself. Ask a question, like, “How long have you been in this parish?” Share a chuckle that it took you so long to get acquainted. Putting forth this small effort makes our parish’s family tree flourish and grow, and keeps the spirit of the Jesse Tree Project alive year round.



**Brook Happenings**

**Sunday, January 10, 2010**

10:30 AM Confirmation Prep  
 1:00 PM Decorating Session

**Monday, January 11, 2010**

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

**Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

12:10 PM Communion Service Tues. & Thurs.  
 7:00 PM Friends of Bill Meeting

**Wednesday, January 13, 2010**

11:00 AM Staff Meeting  
 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, January 14, 2010**

9:15 AM & 7 PM Adult Faith Formation

**Friday, January 15, 2010**

No Events Scheduled

**Saturday, January 16, 2010**

11:00 AM Confessions / 5:00 PM Mass

**Sunday, January 17, 2010**

No Events Scheduled

**“SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND, CALL HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR”**

Are we taking time to seek the Lord in our marriage? Let a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend help you find that time. The 2010 dates are February 12–14, April 23–25, June 11–13, September 17–19 and November 5–7. For information or reservations, visit our website at: [www.wmchicago-gary.org](http://www.wmchicago-gary.org) or contact Kris and Jim at (800) 442-3554.

**Chili Supper 1/31 4:00 - 7:00PM**

Tickets are being sold after all the masses beginning the weekend of January 9 for the Women's Club Second Annual Chili Supper. Questions: Contact Sandy Koziol at 847-714-9428.

**Midday Communion Services  
 12:10PM Tuesdays & Thursdays**

We offer an opportunity to reflect on God's word and receive communion on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** at 12:10PM. These brief services supplement our daily 8:30AM Mass, the source and summit of our worship, for those not able to make it in the morning. Please join us.

**Upcoming Dates  
 Mark your Calendars Now!**

Jan. 19 Farmer's Market Meeting  
 Jan. 31: Chili Supper

**Readings for the Week of Jan. 10**



Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28  
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39  
 Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45  
 Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7; 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12  
 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk :13-17  
 Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

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Don't forget that our bulletin is available online at our parish website. It's in color, and has all the information you might have missed! Deadline is noon on the Monday before the weekend.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**2010**

**Jan. 3 Month to Date**

<b>Sunday &amp; Holy Day Collection</b>	<b>\$ 14,473.00</b>	<b>\$14,473.00</b>
<b>Goal:</b>	<b>\$ 10,500.00</b>	<b>\$10,500.00</b>
<b>Excess/(Deficit):</b>	<b>\$ 3,973.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,973.00</b>

**Financial Stabilization Fund (FSF) to Date:**  
**\$113,395.00**

**Poor Box \$9.00**

**Have you switched to Electronic Giving yet?**

*Thank you for your continued support. Remember Our Lady of the Brook Parish in your will.*

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION TO DATE:**  
**\$38,907.00**



## We Are People of Hope

Today's Gospel story of the Baptism of the Lord seems so fitting now that we have entered the second half of the Catholics Come Home evangelization initiative. During the time of John the Baptist people were waiting in great anticipation for the coming of the Christ. They continued to live in hope that God would save them just as he had promised Abraham and all the generations that came afterward. It was their faith in God and their hope for the future that kept them watchful for the messiah.

Today we have the joy of knowing Jesus, the Christ through our baptism and in our practice of faith. No longer do we wait for salvation for we have tasted it in the Eucharist and felt it in the water and oil of our Baptism. Jesus called us to go out and spread the Good News. That is the reason for the Catholics Come Home evangelization effort. Today we have an opportunity to talk to others about our faith by simply asking, "Have you seen those commercials on TV?" Just by getting people to talk about Catholics Come Home you may be planting the seeds of faith that could blossom in the future.

The first line of today's Gospel may ring true in your hearts today, "The people were filled with expectation." At the halfway point in the Catholics Come Home advertisement schedule some parishes have seen and heard of those who have been moved to return to the Church and others wait expectantly. It is helpful to remember that God is present in all things and we may never really know how our efforts and this invitation back to the Church has touched the lives of those who have drifted. It is through prayer that we can stay grounded in our faith and it is prayer that nurtures the seeds of hope within us.

### Ministry Schedule: Jan. 16 & 17, 2010

	SAT. 5 pm	Sun. 8:00 am	Sun. 9:30 am	Sun. 11:15 am
Lector	Bruno Cortis	Marian Steinwandtner	Ray Hudash	Roland Catenacci
	Mary Lou Colfer	Dee Phillips	Julia Huyck	Valerie Catenacci
Ministers of Communion	Sal Manso Tom Artz Marnee Kenny Mary Lou Colfer Bruno Cortis	Mary Vollkommer Susan Eimerman Ginny Hartzer Anita Loewenstein Lettie Bratta	Barbara Perley Peg Kritek Anne Tulig Sue Vaickaouski Liz Hall	Emma Salazar Anna DiFilippo Tom Haynes Dcn Dennis McAllister Suzanne Noonan
Altar Servers			Vince Boffa Nolan Whalen Kevin Byrne	

<b>Sacristan</b>	<b>Lynn Saiu</b>
Linen Sacristan	Marge Henry
Hospitality Volunteers	SPECIAL SUNDAY - GUILD 10 (ALL MASSES)

Volunteers for this activity would be most welcome. If you are interested, please contact Joanie Sosinski at 847-634-1372. " *No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.*" Aesop

### Farmers Market Kick-Off Meeting Jan. 19



Believe it or not it's already time to start planning for the 2010 Northbrook Farmers Market. We will have our first planning session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, at the parish. Help develop and fine tune marketing strategies, vendor rules, vendor selections, signage, opening day festivities, and various ways to raise additional funds for the parish. Lots of opportunities to pitch in without a huge time commitment! If you are interested in joining the effort but cannot make the meeting, please contact Dale Duda at 847-272-6359 or [Dudamann@Comcast.net](mailto:Dudamann@Comcast.net).

## NEWS FROM THE OLPH PHOENIX GROUP

The OLPH Phoenix Group is a group of Catholic singles age 50+, who share a social life by attending events of common interest together. We are a cooperative support group, with all members helping with the events. Each first Friday we get together for snacks and planning. Members bring activity ideas, and those interested work out the details. We plan movie nights, and day trips in the Chicago area. These events supplement our monthly bridge group, restaurant group, and book group. If you would like to meet new people and make new friends, why not join us at **7:30 PM on January 8**. We meet in the Francis Room of the Lafayette Building of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Glenview. For more info call Mary Jane at 847-398-3528. **All members take turns driving and planning activities.**

## The Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults

We are very happy to announce the reception of Katie Henry as a candidate for full communion with the Catholic Church. Katie was raised in another Christian tradition and has decided as an adult, based in part in her experience here at The Brook, to become a Catholic. She has been attending a variety of programs and activities to acclimate her to the Catholic Church. We will send her to the Cathedral with her sponsor and catechists on the first Sunday of Lent for recognition by the bishop for the call to continuing conversion. She will then be received into the Church, being confirmed and receiving communion for the first time, on Pentecost Sunday. Please welcome Katie to our faith community.

## Adult Faith Formation

### Ordinary Time: *The Gospels in Parable* – Thursdays, 1/14 – 1/21 – 1/28 – 2/4 – 2/11

This year we are doing something different changing our Gospel focus from the Fall to the Winter period of short Ordinary Time, January and February, 2010. We will be looking at the parables of Luke this year using Fr. John R. Donohue, SJ, book *The Gospel in Parable*. Because he treats the parables in all three synoptic Gospels we will be able to use this book for three years studying the parables of Matthew and then Mark successively. Our morning sessions will be hosted by Justin Huyck, and the evening sessions by Dcn Peery Duderstadt

By moving our Gospel study into Ordinary Time, we are getting closer to the period in which we are actually reading the Gospel. Also, this year it will provide a bit of an entre to our guest Mission presenter. We are planning another joint venture with St. Norbert's.

### Lent-Easter Season:

Having studied the Sunday Scriptures for the Lenten and Easter Sundays over the past three years, we will begin a three-year study of *The United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* as recommended by the Bishops in their Pastoral --"Our Hearts were Burning Within Us" in which they called for "a strong, complete, and **systematic** catechesis...that nurtures a profound, lifelong **conversion** of the whole person and sets forth a **comprehensive, contemporary synthesis** of the faith as presented in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*."

### Retreats and Women's Day of Reflection:

We have begun our planning for the next round of spiritual life opportunities. The next Women's Day of Reflection is planned for April 10 again at Techny with Sister Mary Ruth Broz. Our men's silent retreat is also scheduled for the same weekend, April 9-11 at Bellarmine Retreat Center. A women's silent retreat is also scheduled by St Norbert's for the weekend of April 16-18 at Bellarmine Retreat Center. Look for further details in upcoming bulletins and at our website.

## Religious Education & Faith Formation for Children (K-8 & Preschool)

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

#### **9:30 AM Mass + Age 3 through Grade 5**

By popular request, we have expanded Children's Liturgy of the Word, offered at the 9:30 AM Mass, through grade 5. Liturgy of the Word for Children is an opportunity for families to attend Mass together, with children dismissed during the Liturgy of the Word to experience and learn about the readings with a community of other young people. Children then rejoin their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

We offer this experience in multiple tracks, for younger and older children. Adult leaders include Steve Gianni, Mary Ann Duderstadt, Lorraine Grod, and Justin Huyck. Please join us.

### St. Norbert & Our Lady of the Brook Religious Education News

**R.E. classes:** Happy New Year from all of us! Classes continue this week, Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Sunday Intensives resume January 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Jr High Confirmation Retreat:** Jr High Confirmands have their retreat this month, Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am until 2:00pm at Our Lady of the Brook parish. Please mark this important date on your calendar.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reconciliation:** There will be a Reconciliation Service for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and their families January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Norbert's in the church. This service reinforces the healing nature of this holy sacrament and we hope all third graders will be in attendance.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reconciliation:** There will be a parent/child meeting for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reconciliation January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. The students meet at St. Norbert's in the church basement and the parents meet in church. All are asked to attend. Please save the date.

**Our Lady of the Brook Faith Formation Office: 847-272-5131**  
**St. Norbert's Religious Education Office: 847-272-3086**

### High School Youth Ministry & Confirmation Preparation

**High School Confirmation:** Our next event is the Freshman & Sophomore retreat, January 22-24. We will leave from St. Norbert's at 5PM Friday, January 22, and return in time for the 11:30 AM St. Norbert's Mass on January 24.

**Justin Huyck, Our Lady of the Brook: 847-272-5131**  
**Maggie Bruce, St. Norbert's: 847-687-7696**

### St. Norbert Junior High 101

**Who:** Anyone who is considering Catholic Education, but even more important for parents of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

**What:** Junior High 101 and Shadow Day are for parents and students to understand more about the entire opportunity at St. Norbert.

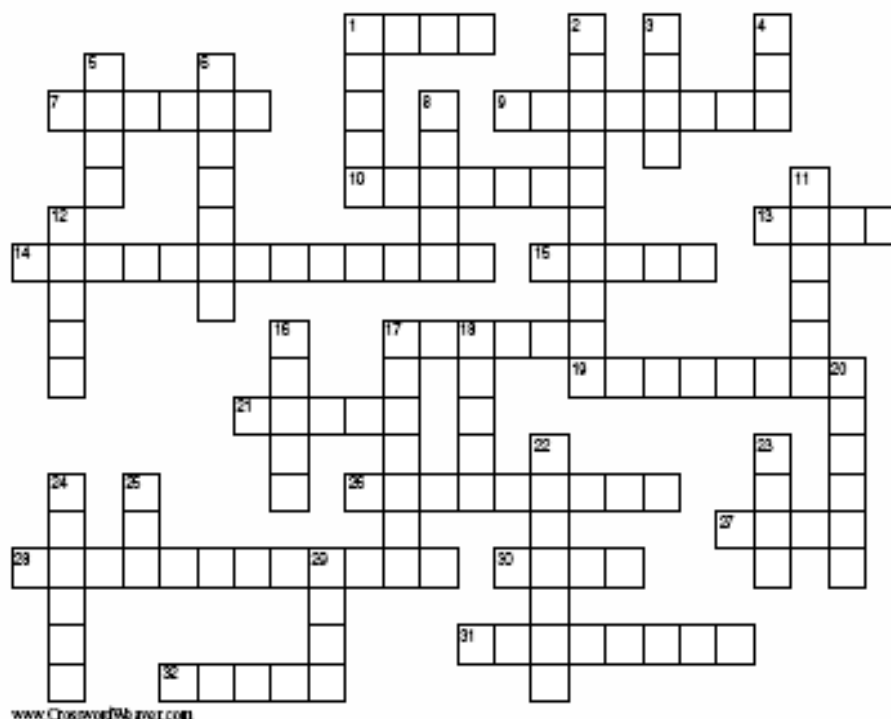
**When:** Shadow Day is February 1, 2010, but the student must speak with the Principal one week earlier to confirm room, and the discussion for parents will be held on February 2, 2010 starting at 7:00 in Grace Hall.

**Why:** Now more than ever children in Junior High need guidance on the values that will be forced upon them in the very near future of their lives.

For a complete schedule of activities for Catholic Schools Week, please visit our website at  
[www.stnorbertschool.org](http://www.stnorbertschool.org)

## The Bible and Epiphany: The Wise Men and the Baptism of Jesus

This crossword puzzle by Bruce Gillette is based on the New Revised Standard Version Bible



www.CrosswordPuzzle.com

### Across

- 1 What the Spirit of God looked like at Jesus' baptism (Mt. 3:16)  
 7 The river where Jesus was baptized (Mt. 3:13)  
 9 The 12th day of Christmas, a special day whose word means "manifestation" (see puzzle title)  
 10 The chief priests and scribes were asked about this person (Mt. 2:4)  
 13 Jesus' mother (Mt. 2:11)  
 14 What the Psalmist hopes the king will judge with (Ps. 72:2)  
 15 King at the time of Jesus' birth (Mt. 2:1)  
 17 What the Wise Men wanted to pay Jesus (Mt. 2:2)  
 19 What Isaiah says will cover the earth (Isaiah 60:2)  
 21 The region where Jesus was born (Mt. 2:1)  
 26 A city whose name means "House of Bread" (Mt. 2:1)  
 27 Greek word that is translated "wise men" or "astrologers" (Mt. 2:1 NRSV footnote)  
 28 An ingredient for incense in the Book of Exodus (30:34) (see also Mt. 2:11)  
 30 The Psalmist prays the King will defend the cause of these people (Ps. 72:4)  
 31 Another title for the ruler born in Bethlehem (Mt. 2:6)  
 32 "Arise, shine; for your \_\_\_\_ has come" (Isaiah 60:1)

### Down

- 1 Wise men were warned in this not to return to Herod (Mt. 2:12)  
 2 The adjective that described Herod and Jerusalem (Mt. 2:3)  
 3 The one who wanted to be baptized by Jesus (Mt. 3:14)  
 4 What the wise men were overwhelmed with when the star stopped (Mt. 2:10)  
 5 A precious element with the symbol Au (from the Latin *aurum*, meaning shining dawn) (Mt. 2:11)  
 6 Where Jesus came from to be baptized (Mt. 3:13)  
 8 The person born in Bethlehem (Mt. 2:1)  
 11 These young animals will come from Midian and Ephah according to Isaiah (60:6)  
 12 What kings of Sheba and Seba bring (Ps. 72:10)  
 16 A type of building where Jesus was found (Mt. 2:11)  
 17 What opened when Jesus was baptized (Mt. 3:16)  
 18 An intoxicant that was offered to Jesus during the crucifixion (Mk. 15:22-23), also an embalming ointment and often worth more than gold and five times more than Frankincense (see also Mt. 2:11)  
 20 What Jesus saw when he was baptized (Mt. 3:16)  
 22 A word describing the Son (Mt. 3:17)  
 23 What the wise men saw rising (Mt. 2:2)  
 24 The Greek word for Messiah (Mt. 2:4 NRSV footnote)  
 25 What a voice from heaven called Jesus (Mt. 3:17)  
 29 Direction the wise men came from (Mt. 2:1)