

January 3, 2021
Epiphany of the Lord

Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Today's Readings

Isaiah 60:1–6
Psalm 72:1, 2, 10abc, 10de–11
Matthew 2:1–12



We Pray

O God, let us adore your Son who came into the world for all nations. Amen.

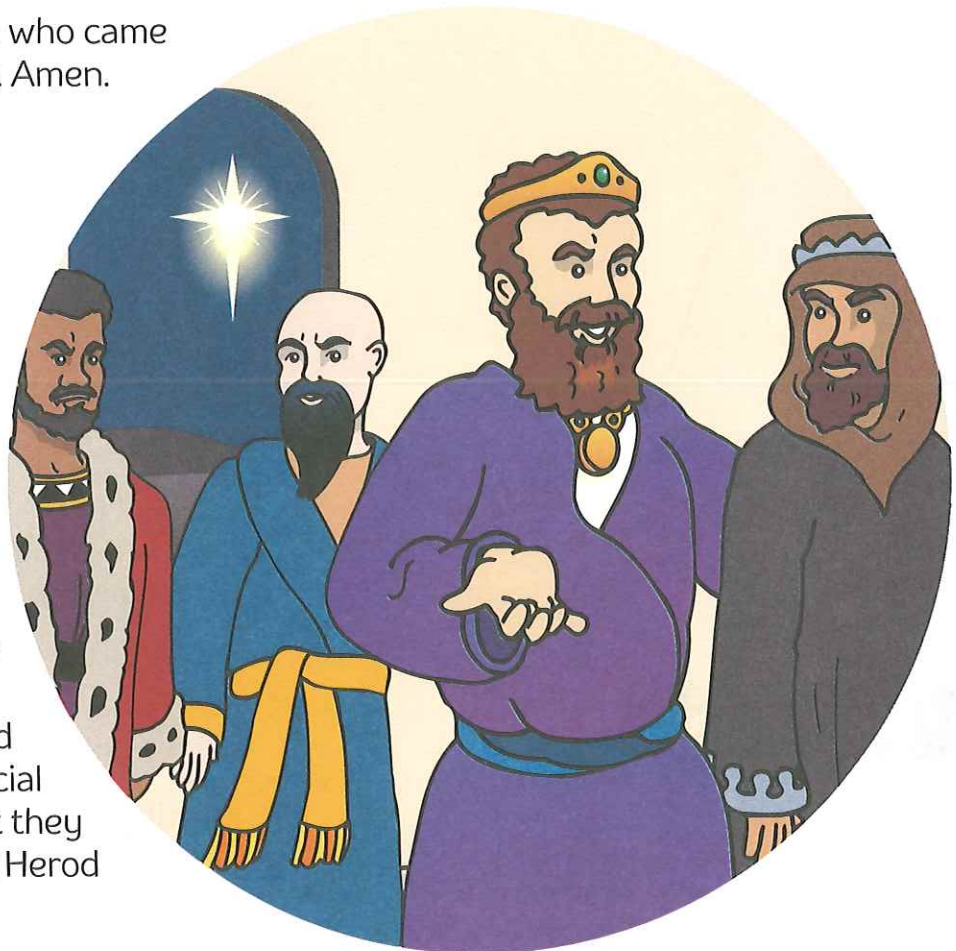


The Word of God This Week

Guide Us to Jesus

Wise men from the East followed a star to Jerusalem. They asked, "Where is the child who will be king of the Jews?" King Herod told them to go to Bethlehem and let him know when they found the baby.

When the wise men found the baby, they gave him special gifts and worshiped him. But they did not go back and tell King Herod where he was.

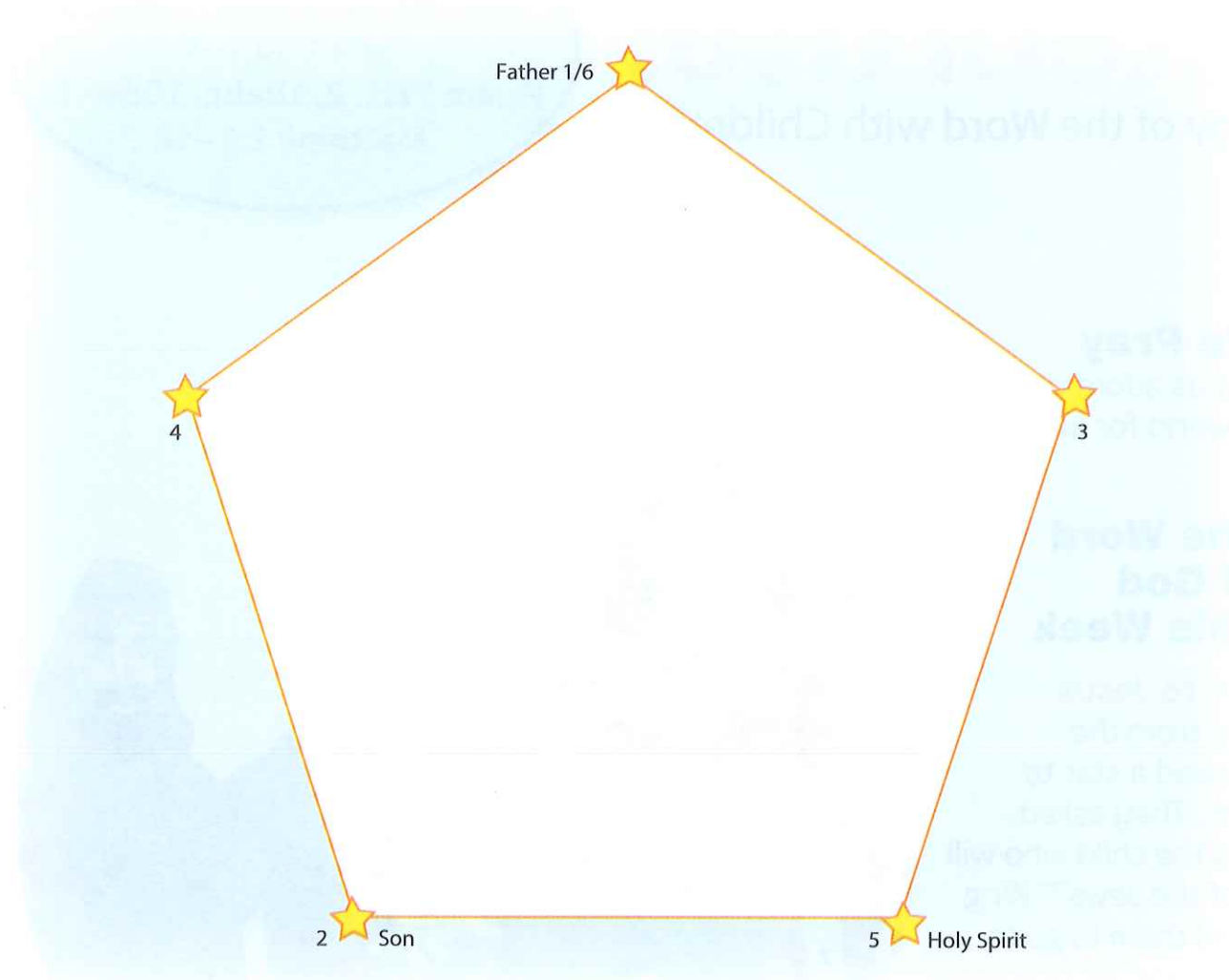


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Activity

With a pencil and a ruler, connect the stars in order from 1 to 6. What do you see? Then with a colored pencil or crayon, fill in the triangle formed by the Blessed Trinity. Think about the ways that God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit “star” in today’s Gospel story.



Family Corner

Faith Focus

The three kings discovered a rising star. It was the opening act for someone great, so they followed the star in search of that someone — a newborn king. When the star finally rested over Bethlehem, they discovered that the real star was God, revealed in the person of Jesus.

God’s love is present in the stars and in all of creation. God’s love is present in the person of Jesus. God’s love is for everyone!

Family Activity

Take your family outside on a clear night and look at the stars in the sky. Pick out the brightest one and pretend it is the Christmas star.

- Recall the Christmas carol “We Three Kings.” What lyrics describe the star? How do you think the three kings felt to follow such a star?
- Describe a time when something in nature was especially memorable, or holy, for you.
- Describe someone who reveals God’s love to you.