



Dear Friends,

A very Happy New Year and a special blessing for the Feast of Epiphany! Today we celebrate the coming of the Magi. They travelled from the “ends of the earth,” following the Star which led them to the new-born King. They represent people from throughout the world who are called to find the Christ-child in their lives and proclaim Him as Savior and Lord. Jesus came for ALL people everywhere, and He still calls us from near and far into His loving arms. May the blessing of Jesus be with each of us always.

Usually we barely have time to recover from the Christmas season and before we know it, it is Lent. This year Easter is not until April 21, which means Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent is not until March. But we must be careful not to let this time just pass by. Now is a good time (with all our New Year’s resolutions) to spend more time in prayer, in reading the Scriptures, in reading other spiritual books, and thus growing in our faith and knowledge of Jesus.

Let us pray that we may use the time we are given in the best ways possible: to serve the Lord and our brothers and sisters, spreading the Good News of Jesus to all those we meet.

May the Lord bless us with grace and peace.

*Father Fred*