



Happy Three
Kings Day!

Feast of Epiphany

Christian

[Epiphany](#) 

A Christian feast day that celebrates the revelation of God incarnate as Jesus Christ. The feast commemorates the visit of the wise men or noble pilgrims, known as the Magi, who followed a miraculous guiding star to Bethlehem, where they paid homage to the infant Jesus and his baptism in the River Jordan.

Date

- In the United States, the Feast of Epiphany is celebrated on the first Sunday after January 1.
- Check the [Calendar Index](#) for Religious Holidays during the current academic year for the exact date.

Greetings

Wishing a celebrant a "Happy Three Kings Day" is welcome.

Common Practices and Celebrations

- Families leave a box of grass or hay and some water for the Three Kings' camels to eat. Children leave their shoes at the entrance of their bedroom where the Three Kings leave them presents.
- The traditional dessert in Spain and Latin America is a sweet bread called Rosca de Reyes.

Impact to U-M Community

- No interruption to normal work or academic activities usually takes place.
- Link to [U-M Guidance Regarding Conflicts](#).

U-M Campus resources

- [Maize Pages - Christian](#), U-M
- [Association of Religious Counselors](#), U-M

Information Resources

- [National Catholic Register](#)
- [Wikipedia](#)
- [Britannica](#)

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