

Catholic Trivia 12-19-25 Answers:

1. **Mark** never mentions the birth of Jesus and begins with him as an adult. **John** offers a “prologue” which gives a theological reflection on the pre-existent Word of God who becomes human: “...and the Word became flesh.” Other than that, John makes no mention of the birth of Jesus. Only the gospels of Matthew and Luke tell us about the events surrounding the birth of Jesus.
2. Epiphany means “**manifestation or showing forth.**” In the person of the Magi (who were Gentiles), Jesus is shown forth or manifested as the Savior of all humanity (not just the Jews).
3. The Holy Innocents are **the young children in Bethlehem killed by King Herod the Great** in his attempt to kill the infant Jesus (Matthew 2:16–18). Their feast day is December 28.
4. Although we sing of “we three kings,” the Bible makes **no mention of how many Magi** made the journey. We are only told that they came from the East and brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.
5. Jesus was born in Bethlehem, brought up in Nazareth and preached in Jerusalem but it was the significant Galilean Ministry years which he spent in **Capernaum** and where he performed many of his miracles. **Capernaum** became his home and the Bible calls it **Jesus'** “own city”. (Matthew 9:1)