

# St. Mary's Library

## Recommendations for January

### Epiphany

#### **The Story of the Three Kings: Melchior, Balthazar, Jaspar**

Written in the Middle Ages by John of Hildesheim, a prior of the Carmelite order and a learned and well-travelled man, this "best seller" of the Middle Ages recounts the Christmas story and further adventures of the Three Kings. Here it is retold by Margaret B. Freeman and illustrated with forty-five 15<sup>th</sup>-century woodcuts.

#### **The Other Wise Man, Henry Van Dyke, 1995**

Originally published in 1895, this is a chronicle of one man's earthly and spiritual journey as he set out to greet the newborn Savior and of the challenges and moral struggles he faced in the course of his quest.

### Baptism

#### **Seeking Life: The Baptismal Invitation of the Rule of St. Benedict, Esther de Waal, 2009**

The author focuses on the prologue to the Rule of St. Benedict and shows how it contains the clues we need to both understand and live by the vows made at our baptism. De Waal draws out enduring spiritual teaching on how to live when reborn of water and the spirit."

#### **The Baptizing Community, A. Theodore Eastman, 1982**

Eastman provides a tour through the baptismal service, with particular attention to the power and meaning of the great baptismal symbols, and provides concrete and practical suggestions for the preparation of adult converts and god-parents.

### Martin Luther King, Jr., b. 15 January 1929 d. 4 April 1968

#### **Why We Can't Wait, Martin Luther King, 1963**

Martin Luther King recounts the story of the civil rights movement on the segregated streets of Birmingham and offers an analysis of the events and pressures that propelled the civil rights movement to the forefront of American consciousness.

#### **The Trumpet of Conscience, Martin Luther King, 1967**

In this series of five lectures for the Massey Lecture Series of the Canadian Broadcasting Company, Dr. King addresses the issues of equality, conscience and war, the mobilization of young people, and non-violence, concluding with A Christmas Sermon on Peace.

#### **Where Do We go From Here: Chaos or Community?, 1968**

In this, his final manuscript, Dr. King lays out his thoughts, plans and dreams for America's future, and sends a universal message of hope.

#### **A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches of Martin Luther King, Jr., 1986**

A collection of Martin Luther King's writings, speeches, interviews and autobiographical reflections on nonviolence, social piety, integration, black nationalism, and the ethics of love and hope.

#### **A Call to Conscience, Martin Luther King, 2001**

A milestone collection of Martin Luther King's most influential, best-known speeches, from the words that inspired the modern civil rights movement to the last speech the night before his assassination.

#### **Strength to Love, Martin Luther King, 2010**

A collection of sermons representing Dr. King's deepest insights about life, good and evil, and Christian faith, which address the perennial and perplexing questions of faith and social justice. They present his melding of Christian teachings and social consciousness and provide his vision of love as a social and political force for change.