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on Monday February 27\*\*



**\$8.75**

# KING CAKES

Cinnamon or Cream Cheese filled for Fat Tuesday (February 28)

You may have heard of a King Cake before but do you know the **HISTORY** behind it?

The King Cake is believed to have originated in France around the 12<sup>th</sup> century. These early Europeans celebrated the coming of the three Wise Men bearing gifts twelve days after Christmas, calling it the Feast of the Epiphany, Twelfth Night or King's Day.

The main part of the celebration was the baking of a King Cake to honor the three kings. The cakes were made circular to portray the circular route used by the kings to get to the Christ Child and confuse King Herod, who was trying to follow the Wise Men so he could kill the Christ Child. In these early cakes a bean, a pea or a coin was hidden inside the cake. The person who got the hidden piece was declared King for a day or was said to have good luck in the coming year.

In Louisiana, Twelfth Night also signifies the beginning of carnival season, which ends on Mardi Gras. The beans, peas, and coins have been replaced by a small plastic baby that symbolizes the Christ Child. The person who gets the baby is expected to carry on the carnival festivities by hosting the next King Cake party.

## **King Cakes are order only**

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