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Epiphany of the Lord



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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Sunday, January 02

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. +Marie Sealy

12:15 p.m. Olive Adams & Family (I) *Thanksgiving*

Monday, January 03

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 04

8:00 a.m. +Michael Rosco

Wednesday, January 05

7:00 p.m. +David Lamb

Thursday, January 06

8:00 a.m. Mila Villamil (I) *Birthday*

Friday, January 07

7:00 p.m. +Stephen Opoku

Saturday, January 08

9:00 a.m. +Anna Cesta

4:30 p.m. +Maria Ferrante

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 02, 2022



“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have

been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact **Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997; email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Fr. Mark Robson at 416-757-2806 or at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org for more information.**

SPECIAL COLLECTION



at all Masses on New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day.

Your Gift to the Parish
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Epiphany of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 60.1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12 – *The Visit of the Wise Men Being a Visible Witness*



As we continue along in this wondrous season of Christmas, we are invited to reflect on the Epiphany of the Lord this Sunday. The word epiphany means “to make manifest” or “to make known.” So on this feast day we are celebrating how God made

himself known to all the nations, which is symbolized through the visit of the foreign Magi. As stewards, we are called to help the Church in her efforts to continue to make Christ known to the ends of the earth.

The way of stewardship is essentially a call to evangelization. The greatest gift we can share with others is not money or food, but the knowledge and love of Christ. Pope Francis says that “we cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel!” We must go out of our comfort zone to bring others to Jesus. One way we can evangelize others is by simply living as visible Catholic disciples in our world. In today’s secular culture, any act of religiosity is seen as a radical witness of our faith. For example, whenever we are eating in public, we can begin with the sign of the cross and our grace before meals. Moreover, St. John Paul II said that we should not be “ashamed to recite the Rosary alone, while you walk along the streets to school, to the university or to work, or as you commute by public transport.” Let us strive to be a sign of our faith to the world.

Summary

The feast of the Epiphany of the Lord celebrates how God made himself known to all the nations, which is symbolized through the visit of the foreign Magi. As stewards, we are called to help the Church in her efforts to make Christ known to the ends of the earth and we can do this by simply being a visible witness of our faith. Let us strive to make small actions that display our love for Christ such as saying grace before meals in public, praying the rosary on the bus or saying “God bless you” when someone sneezes or we say goodbye.



DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2022



The boxes with your donation envelopes for 2022 are ready for pick up. They are sorted in trays in alphabetical order according to the family's **last name**.

Registered parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any changes to their personal data. **New** parishioners are encouraged to register and get their personal box number so that contributions will be acknowledged by the issuing of a tax receipt at the end of the year. Updated information is always a great help to the office. *Thank you.*

CONFIRMATION 2021-2022

All students for **CONFIRMATION 2021-2022 Grade 7 & Grade 8** are now welcome to register, deadline for registration is **Friday, January 21, 2022**, please don't delay as we will not accept any late registration after this date. Application will be available both church office and school. Call the office at **416-757-2806** or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org if you have any questions.



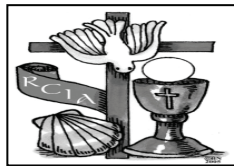
First Holy Communion 2021-2022

Classes resume this **Sunday, January 09, 2022** at 9:30 am. Parents are encouraged to participate in the 10:30 am Mass every Sunday. Please follow health protocol such as social distancing, wear a mask during this classes. Thank you for your co-operation.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2021 – Apr. 2022

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program are also resuming meetings this Sunday, January 09, 2022. Catechumens are to attend 12:15 pm Mass followed by in person meeting in the church hall (prayer room) until 2:00 p.m. If you have any questions please contact the parish at 416-757-2806 or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org.



Pope Intention Prayer for January 2022

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Interested in a P.A.G. [Pre-Authorized Giving] Plan?

Pick up a flyer with more information about what is the 'pre-authorized giving' plan and how parishioners can participate. Is your personal data as registered in our records updated? Please inform the office (416-757-2806) about any changes in your information new address or new phone number or added members to your household! Thank you for your cooperation. **Update your data before we issue tax receipts for 2021.**



On the Road to Union with God



Friday, January 07, 2022 07:00 PM - Sunday, January 09, 2022 01:00 PM
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering
A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. Generally, there are three broad

recognizable stages as we grow closer to God: the purgative stage, the illuminative stage and the unitive stage. We will explore this journey with the help of the life of the saints, persons like you and me, who had to get in touch with their own human frailty along their own unique life-journey. The hope is that the retreatant comes to a higher understanding of self in relation to our infinite loving and merciful God in the context of their own earthly life-journey. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. A suggested offering of \$235 per person. Includes two nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.
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