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Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.



The **Epiphany** of the Lord January 3rd, 2021

Rise up in splendor! (Isaiah 60:1)

Today we celebrate the manifestation of Christ to the Magi, Gentiles from the East who came seeking the King of the Jews. Their arrival in Bethlehem is the fulfillment of today's first reading, in which the glory of God draws people of every nation to Jerusalem.

But look closely, and you'll find something surprising: "Your light has come," the reading says, and "the glory of the Lord shines upon vou" (Isaiah 60:1, emphasis added). It's Jerusalem itself, symbol of God's chosen people, that is attracting the Gentiles, not a sudden blaze of glory coming from the heavens. It's the shining witness of a people who have bound themselves to the Lord and to each other. That's where the nations will find the glory of God.

Imagine that! We ourselves—the people of God working and praying together, loving, and forgiving one another—we can be the manifestation of God's glory to the world.

If you light one candle on a darkened, moonless night, you may be able to see it from a few feet away. But if you bring hundreds of people together and give each of them a lighted candle, you might see their brightness from a mile away. Bring enough people together, and you'd see the light from outer space! That's God's vision for us. He wants us to put aside selfish, sinful, or prideful attitudes so that we can love each other and serve each other—and so be his light. He wants us to follow him, not just because it's good for us, but because he knows that a life of discipleship brings us closer together and makes us shine out to the world even more brightly.

So join the Magi and bow before the infant Christ today. But as you do, pray for the Church. Pray for your parish. Pray for the domestic church that is your family. Ask the Holy Spirit to keep purifying you, and all of God's people, so that together we can shine more brightly and draw more people to him.

"Jesus, teach us to love each other so that we can fill the world with your glory!" (Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)

MASS INTENTIONS

January 4th to January 9th

Mon., January 4th, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Emilia Scalera Casiato Family

Tues., January 5th, St. John Neumann

Special Intention: Ermelinda Mongiat Giuseppe & Rosa Cancelli

Wed., January 6th, St. Guarinus
Evelyn Rosenburgh

Aldo Stalteru

Thur., January 7th, St. André Bessette

Giuseppe Leone

In Honour & Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

Fri., January 8th, St. Raymond of Penyafort

St. Apollinaris the Apologist

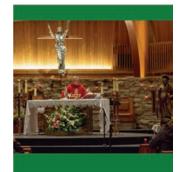
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NO Eucharistic Adoration

Sat., January 9th, St. William of Bourges St. Eulogius of Cordoba

> Maria Pina & Fernando Carinci Edda Cicchitti Payton Colussi

Limited Edition All Saints Puzzle Series:



Series #1 Father Andrzei Glaba at the Altar during Mass:

"Every good puzzle, like VIRTUE, is its own reward"

Rediscover the

joy of a piecing together a jigsaw puzzle this Christmas! During Advent, All Saints' Parish Council is offering a 250-piece puzzle featuring a beautiful image of our Altar. This puzzle promises fun for the whole family.

The cost is \$25 and only 100 will be All proceeds are in available to order. support of the needy in our parish. Call the office to place your order and arrange a curbside pick up.

Do not miss this great opportunity!

A Message from Father Andrzej Glaba

I would like to personally thank all those parishioners that contributed to our Gift Card/Food card drive!

Through your kindness and generosity, we raised close to \$9000.00!!! We assisted 29 families ranging in families of 4 to 8 people who were so very appreciative of the fact that they received such a generous donation (average of \$250 was given to each family - donation amount varied on number of family members). The gift cards were evenly sorted into food cards and gift (toy) cards. This method of assistance allowed these families to buy whatever food they liked for Christmas dinner and select toys that their children had on their wish list for Santa. In summary, it gave them a sense of integrity and humbleness as they got to choose rather than to be given whatever was available!

We also donated to the following charities: \$500 Sisters of Life \$500 Sisters of the Divine Master \$250 St Francis table \$300 St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church

In summary, our parishioners have yet again come through in times of need. What a great way to start the coming year where we are all looking forward to an end to the pandemic and a return to some type of normal life. If this pandemic has taught us nothing else, it has taught us to not take anything for granted and remind us of the love that we have for each other and for our Saviour - Jesus Christ- who has been by our side and will continue to be by our side to get us through these very hard times.

Thank you for your kindness, generosity, humility and willingness to give of yourself to help those in need.

Happy New Year! Rev. Fr. Andrzej Glaba

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca



New Year a New Joyous Attitude Wednesday, January 13th at 8pm

Listen live at www.radiomaria.ca
Join parishioners
Mariangela and Nick
as they discuss the

many ways to start the New Year on a **Fresh** and Positive note.

Choosing Joy, no matter the circumstances. It will be an hour dedicated to **Jesus at the center**, how he will make us cheerful and help cope in our daily lives...

Be Joyful!



A WORD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to

everyone who has been involved in the planning and decoration of the celebrations through the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Special thanks to all our parishioners and a special blessing for the entire community through your presence and messages, your prayers, and your support.

ENVELOPES FOR 2021

The new donation envelopes for 2021 were fully delivered by our

volunteers, if you have not received yours please pass by the office at your earliest convenience.

Parishioners who currently do not have donation envelopes and wish to obtain a box may register now in the Parish office.

The Registration Form can also be downloaded from our website under About Us https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/About-Us/downloadable-forms

For Parishioners who wish to donate automatically through their Bank Account the **Pre-Authorized Giving Form (PAG)** is also available online under About Us (same link).

YOUTH MINISTRY



Youth Ministry Poster Competition open to children between the ages of 5 to 14. The 2 themes to choose from are; "Keep Christ in Christmas" or "Jesus is the Reason for the Season" Posters must showcase the theme well. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in the following age categories: 5-7, 8-11 & 12-14.

Posters are to be submitted by email to <u>allsaintsedgey@hotmail.ca</u> with the child's name and age. Deadline for submissions is January 10th which marks the end of the Christmas Season.



We may not be able to be together physically but let us wait for the coming of the Christ Child together by praying and reflecting on the readings during Advent. Join me for 3 Minute Reflections on the virtues of each candle and Gospel reflections for each day of Advent.

YouTube Channel: All Saints' - Youth, Catechesis, Prayers Anna B. Link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBQ1qPTNp0Br3RizMo6-pYA



All youth (Grades 1 to 12) and especially those preparing for the sacraments are encouraged to watch the Sunday Mass at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC qCsT_qlZXIPMc8QzUpWH8Q/playlists.

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