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Epiphany of the Lord



We have come to Homage Him.



**Epiphany
of the
Lord
Sunday
January
5th, 2025**

They . . . offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11)

“We three kings of Orient are bearing gifts we traverse afar.” This popular Christmas carol is appropriate for today’s feast of the Epiphany. But were they “three”? Were they “kings”? Matthew only tells us that “magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem” (2:1). He doesn’t say how many they were, and he definitely doesn’t say anything about them being kings.

The reason we may think they were kings is because of today’s first reading, which tells the people of Jerusalem, “Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance” (Isaiah 60:3). And we usually think there were three of them because they offered Jesus three gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh. So although we don’t know their names, how many they were, or their countries of origin, we do know the most important thing: when they found the child Jesus, they “prostrated themselves and . . . offered him gifts” (Matthew 2:11).

Let’s ponder the gifts that we might offer our King today:

- Gold is a precious metal that represents wealth. What is your *gold*? Maybe it’s the time you offer to serve him, or it’s your money that you can share with the poor.
- Frankincense was a gift of worship. You can offer him the *frankincense* of the prayers and praises that rise from your heart to the throne of the Lord Almighty.
- The myrrh is a perfume that foreshadowed Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross. The *myrrh* you can offer are the times you sacrifice yourself to care for your family or those closest to you.

On this feast day, bring your precious gifts to the Lord. Offer him everything you have. Pour out your life before him and pay him homage. Jesus is pleased with every gift that you have for him.

“Lord God, your revelation to the Gentiles has changed the course of history! Thank you for your love that reaches out to everyone!”

(Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)

Mary treasured all that God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God’s gifts and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If you think 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 or visit www.vocationstoronto.ca

MASS INTENTIONS

January 6th to January 11th

Mon., January 6th, St. Guarinus

Gianluca Primucci

Siena Margani

Rosati Family

Giuseppe & Rosa Cancelli

Tue., January 7th, St. André Bessette

Pietro Mirolò

Grazia Maida

Crisanti & Pusateri Families

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

St. Apollinaris the Apologist

Kazimir & Maria Krupa & Family

Carmela Brusatin

Healing: John McCarthy

Thur., January 9th, St. William of Bourges

St. Eulogius of Cordoba

Maria Pina & Fernando Carinci

In Thanksgiving: Peter & Gloria Mohanty

Antonino Crisanti

Fri., January 10th, St. Paulinus

In Thanksgiving: Carmenza Loaiza & Family

Iryna Melnyk

Julio Abrantes, Alzira & Jose Grilo

Sat., January 11th, St. Hyginus

Manny & Patricia Poulo

Dominic Mesiano

Antonio & Carlo D’Adesse



*A Celebration of Marriage
in the Archdiocese of Toronto*

**Celebration of Marriage Mass
with Bishop Ivan Camilleri –
Feb. 9, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples,

with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025 at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/> Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.



LITTLE SAINTS - for students in Grades 2 - 4 Meets every 3rd Friday of the month @ 6:45 – 8 PM in the parish hall. Next session January 17, 2025 – *Ben-Hur: A Race to Glory*.

EDGE – Raising Saints - for students in Grades 5 - 8 Meets every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session January 10 – *A Most Beloved Son*.

THE SAINTS – *Pizza Nights* - for students in Grades 9-12 Meets every 1st Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session February 7 – *Not Alone*. Please confirm attendance at 1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com



Faith Formation

Formation Sessions at All Saints:

We invite the parish community to attend formation sessions offered by our parish in the hall.

Session 5: Prayer - Presenter: Fr. Michael Mascarenhas. Sunday, January 19 from 4-5pm or Thursday, Thursday January 30 from 7-8pm.

Session 6: Baptism & Confirmation - Presenter: Fr. Frank Carpinelli. Thursday, February 13 from 7-8 pm or Sunday February 23 from 4-5pm.



MUSIC MINISTRY: Call for Choir Members

We are seeking volunteers to join our choir (especially male voices). You don't need to be able to read music, just be willing to participate in the joy of singing and giving praise to our Lord through the gift of music. It was St Augustine who said, "the one who sings prays twice."

We practice every Thursday evening at 7:30 for an hour to prepare the hymns for the following Sundays at 11:30 Mass. If you feel like you cannot commit for the whole year, please consider joining us to sing just for Christmas. We are looking forward to seeing you! Please contact Brian at 416-522-5205 for more details or just come to a rehearsal.

All Saints' Virtual Recommendations for January 2025 Perspectives on Current Events that Impact our Faith

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Access current and past recommendations here:

<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/our-ministries/outreach/virtual-recommendations/>



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

On Monday January 13, 2025, we will have our Parish Council Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.



COFFEE SUNDAY:

Today we are having coffee Sunday **January 5th**. Please join us after the 11:30am Mass in the Hall. All are welcome!

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MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Our [marriage preparation course](#) for **2025** will be held in February on **Saturday, February 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**

Engaged couples can register for the course at the parish office. **The fee is \$150.00 per couple.** Payment can be made in cash or cheque payable to All Saints' Parish.

2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The receipts for 2024 donations made to the Parish will be **mailed directly** by the Archdiocese of Toronto at the end of February. Please inform the Parish Office if you changed your address.

NEW ENVELOPES FOR 2025

The new donation envelopes for 2024 are now available in the parish hall. **Please pick up your box of envelopes as soon as possible.** Thanks!



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP:

On Tuesday January 21, the Catholic Moms Group will meet at 7pm for a special evening.

Our other group, Moms and Tots drop-in meets Wednesdays at 9:30am. For information contact k.zasowski@hotmail.com or catholicmomsgroup.com

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