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Mon. to Fri. 9:30 am - 8:00 pm

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January 5th, 2020

The Epiphany of the Lord

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Friday 7:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,

11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

& 3:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Devotions Rosary half an hour
before weekday Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

& by appointment

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Parish Schools

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St. Kevin905-450-0571

Bishop Francis Allen905-457-4677

Cardinal Leger S.S.905-453-2232

Baptisms Please contact the parish office.

Marriages Please contact the parish office a year in advance.

Adults interested in becoming Catholic who have not been baptized or wish to be received into the Catholic Church participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). If interested, please contact the parish office.

Vocations Director Fr. Chris Lemieux 416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions For the Week of ~ January 5th ~



Monday, January 6 **Christmas Weekday**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Gertrude D'Cruz †

Tuesday, January 7 **St. Andre Bessette**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Eva Mary DeSouza †

Wednesday, January 8 **Christmas Weekday**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Delfina & Eugenio Duva †
- Daniel Arruda †
- Vuong Mau Trung †

Thursday, January 9 **Christmas Weekday**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Albert Vella †

Friday, January 10 **Christmas Weekday**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- CWL members Living & Deceased †

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour

7:00 p.m. - Mass

Saturday, January 11 **Conclusion of** **the Christmas Season**

9:00 a.m. - Mass

- Mary and Frances Andrade †
- Thess Jingco Rafanan †

Devotion to Our Lady of **Perpetual Help** **after the morning Mass**

4:00 p.m. - Confessions

5:00 p.m. - Sunday Vigil Mass

Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
This weekend my pastor's corner is filled with the Liturgy that families can use to bless their homes this year.

I invite all families to make a concerted effort to bless their homes this year and invite Jesus, Mary and Joseph to reside in your homes. I further invite families to have hung in their homes symbols of our faith. Each Catholic home should have at least one cross (it is best if it is near the entrance of the home). Consideration should also be made to have the image (either a statue or picture) of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Families need all the protection they can get and 'Sacramentals' (i.e. "sacred signs which bear a resemblance to the Sacraments") can help us call forth the presence of God and his Saints.

A blessed Epiphany to all!

Fr. Liborio

p.s. Below is the Liturgy you can use to bless your home as a family.



The Epiphany of Our Lord

Prayer for House Blessing

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The Gospel speaks of the Wise Men, the bright star and the Holy Family. This feast reminds us that Jesus came for "ALL" of humanity...and this is signified by the three Wise Men from the East. It is a custom to invite "peace" in the homes we live in. Since, it is impossible for us priests to bless all your homes, we invite you to bless your own homes using the "House Blessing Liturgy" below.

House Blessing Liturgy

On entering your home

Leader (Parent): Peace be to this house.

All: And to all who dwell in it.

Together: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

Leader: Let us now pray, the prayer Jesus taught us

Together: Our Father...

Leader: Let us ask Mother Mary and St. Joseph her husband, to pray for us this year, that we too may be holy as they were.

Together: Hail Mary...

Leader: Let us pray. O God, we ask you to bless this home, that those who live in it may experience health, peace and goodness. May we always strive for family unity and not division. May we be given the graces to build up your kingdom and may it begin here in our home amongst our family. We ask this in the name of God's only Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All: Amen

After the prayer of the blessing is recited, each room of your home is then sprinkled with Holy Water. The initials of the Magi are inscribed upon the exterior door of the house with chalk. (The initials C, M, B can also be interpreted as the Latin phrase "Christus mansionem benedicat" which translates "Christ bless this house".

The year 2020 provides the beginning and the end of the inscription.

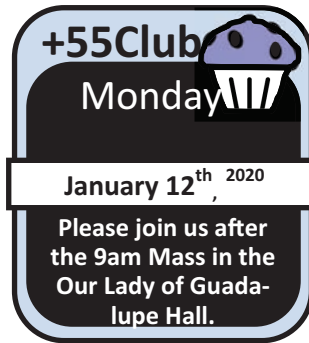
Example: **20 C M B 20**

Care for Our Common Home - Green Tip



Say 'no thanks' to plastic water bottles. Single use water bottles are recyclable but the vast majority are tossed away as garbage and are poisoning our rivers and lakes when they disintegrate into microplastics. In addition excessive amounts of water and fossil fuel are used to manufacture plastic water bottles. Carry a reusable water bottle or mug. Refill at public water fountains or taps, at libraries, recreation centres, city hall, schools, community centres and many public places. Watch the story of bottled water here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Se12y9hSOM0>

In the end, a world of exacerbated consumption is at the same time a world which mistreats life in all its forms.
Laudato Si v.230



Let us Pray

For the Recently Deceased

Francisco Frial
Eduardo Benevides
Denard Medeiros



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, deacon, brother or sister, please contact **Fr. Chris Lemieux**, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997

Thank You for your Offering

December 22nd, 2019
December 24th, 2019
December 25th, 2019
December 29th, 2019
January 1st, 2020

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As your pastor I thank you for your generous support over the past 2 weeks with your faithful attendance at Mass and for sharing your gifts so that we may continue to serve the needs of St. Mary's Parish Community.

Support for Same-Sex Attraction



Do you or does a loved one experience same-sex attraction? Courage & EnCourage provide spiritual support and pastoral guidance in full accordance with authentic Catholic teaching on homosexuality and chastity. For more information on our meetings and events, see contact info. Below. All inquiries are kept confidential.

EnCourage: Spiritual support for family and friends of those who experience same-sex attraction; faithful to Church teaching on chastity. Chaplain: Fr. Eric Ridrigues
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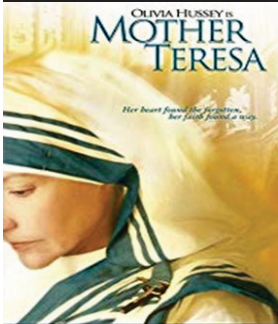
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Phone: 416-928-5094 Email: couragetoronto@yahoo.ca

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for the 2020-21 school year will take place January 6-17, 2020.

Parents/guardians have the option to register online at or in-person at their designated Catholic school. The online Application Form should be completed prior to in-person school meetings where documentation will be received. If parents/guardians wish to register in-person, they may do so during school hours. For those unable to register at the school during school hours, an extended registration day has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2020 (Snow Date: January 16, 2020). Schools will receive registrations and documentation until 6:30 p.m. that day. For more information about admissions and requirements, parents/guardians should contact their local Catholic school or the Admissions Department at 905-890-0708 ext. 24512 or 24519 or 24511.

Movie Night Presentation: Mother Teresa - Sunday, January 19th, 2020



2 versions will be shown - a docudrama for older children and adults, and an animated version for the little ones. Please see the poster for more details. Suggested donation \$5 per person. Popcorn, drinks and a slice of pizza will be provided.




January 19th at 4:30pm – Mother Teresa

Who will be attending?

Number of Adults: _____ Number of Children: _____ Ages of Children _____

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