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Jan 07, 2024

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

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Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

Fridays

Holy Hour 6:00pm

Mass 7:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm

Sunday Eucharist

Saturdays 5:00pm

Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am,

11:00am, 12:30pm and

2:00pm - Spanish Mass

Reconciliation

Fridays 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Most glorious Christ Child, the Father in Heaven honored Your birth by placing a star over the place where you lay. Through that new star, Your divine presence was made manifest to the world in the Magi who responded with faith and worship. Please manifest Yourself to me within my own soul where You wish to be born, and give me the love and zeal I need to follow the example of the Magi, offering You my own gifts in adoration and trust. Jesus, I trust in You.

-MyCatholicLife

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Office Hours:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

9:30am to 5:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9:30am to 8:00pm

Note: Office is closed for lunch from 1pm to 2pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Monday to Friday

9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays

9:30am to 4:00pm



MASS Intentions

(At time of printing)

Jan 8th - Jan 14th

Monday - Jan 8th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Mary-Anne Noronha †

Tuesday - Jan 9th

Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am - Mass

• Kent Webster †

Wednesday - Jan 10th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Antonio Castellan †

• Jose Pinto †

• Joseph Price †

• Alice Boudreau (SI)

Thursday - Jan 11th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Pasquale Marrocco †

Friday - Jan 12th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

7:00 am - Mass

• Antonio Quieto †

Saturday - Jan 13th

St. Hilary of Poitiers

9:00 am - Mass

• Antonio Palhetas †

• Carl & Ivo Dalli †

• Eucharistico Cassar †

• Christine Alphonso (SI)

Sunday - Jan 14th

Ferial

2:00 pm - Spanish Mass

• Luis Perez †

• Percy Cornejo †



Let us Pray

For the Sick in our Community

For the Recently Deceased

• Elena Iannucci

Parish Life

2024 Sunday Offertory Envelopes

1. 2024 envelopes are available for pick-up by the side door to the Parish Office.
2. Commence using your 2024 envelopes immediately.
3. **PLEASE** - destroy all envelopes from previous years.

Save the Date

A Celebration of Marriage

...and the two shall become one flesh...

Ephesians 5:31

We are glad to announce Or Marriage Dinner Dance is back for 2024. Join us February 10th, 2024 to celebrate the vocation of Marriage, the foundation of the Domestic Church.

We will have a dinner and dance for couples in the church hall.

We will provide dinner, wine and music.

When: 10 Feb 2024

Where: St. Mary's Church Hall

Time: 6 - 10 p.m.

Cost: TBD

Anointing of the Sick

Please join us after the 9:00am Mass on Saturday, Jan. 20th for the Anointing of the Sick



Anointing the sick



Give yourself the gift of a joyful marriage!

Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. By learning the tools of healthy communication, you can build greater intimacy. Retrouvaille is Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track.

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For more information call 437-234-5610

or **visit torontoretrouvaille.com**

or **helpourmarriage.org**

Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Francis Leo

"Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things"

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto, entitled, "*Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things*". This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and our collective efforts to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese.

The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: www.archtoronto.org.

Thank you for your Donation!

Dec 24th, 2023 Regular Collection: **\$13,733**

Dec 31st, 2024 Regular Collection: **\$10,199**

Christmas Collection: **\$19,947.60**

New Year's Day: **\$7,769.85**

Parish Life

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund Update

On December 12th, 2023 the Archdiocese of Toronto announced the first phase of funding as part of our \$6 million commitment to the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF). Through the tremendous generosity of parishioners throughout the archdiocese, including our own parish, more than \$2.7 million has been directed through the IRF to organizations and projects committed to promoting healing and reconciliation for communities and families.

Recipients include the Indigenous Spirit Fund, a branch of Native Child and Family Services of Toronto, Ontario that will receive \$400,000 over four years to enrich their On the Land culture camp program curriculum.

Thank you for your continued prayers and ongoing support as we journey together on the path of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

To learn more, visit www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation

Marriage Sunday 2024 Celebration of Marriage Mass Archbishop Francis Leo February 11, 2024 at 3:00 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo 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 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. 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.

Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. For questions, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523

Religious Article Store Hours

Please enter via the Parish Hall entrance.

The Religious Articles Store is open after all Sunday Masses.

In addition to gifts for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism, you will find a great selection of items for birthdays, house warmings and other events. We also carry seasonal one-of-a-kind items from our Bazaar collection.

Drop in and browse; our CWL volunteers will be happy to help you. The store operates on a "CASH ONLY" basis.

Calling all Young Adults!

St. Mary's Parish is running a young adults ministry for ages 19-39. They meet bi-weekly holding faith studies, socials, and recreational outings that help to foster good friendships and strengthen your Catholic faith.

If you're looking for a young adult faith-filled community, please email stmarys.youngadults2020@gmail.com to learn how to get involved.



Religious Education and Faith Formation



Epiphany of the Lord (Jan 6 or First Sunday in January)

At the time of Jesus' birth, it was commonly believed that a new star would appear whenever a new ruler was born. The Father in Heaven used this belief to honor His Son Who was born as the new King. The three Magi from the East were astrologers. When they saw this "new star," they chose to follow it to discover the new King. Creation itself, in the form of a star, pointed the way, thus giving glory to the newborn King, manifesting Him to the whole world as symbolized by the Magi.

The word "Epiphany" means "manifestation." Therefore, as we honor this moment in time when the Christ Child was made manifest to the world, we need to look into our own hearts. There, we discover Christ's ongoing manifestation to us so that we can worship Him Who has also chosen to be born within our hearts. We must diligently seek out that manifestation of God within us and respond to it in the same ways that the Magi responded.

[Read More Here](#)

God, What's Your Plan for My Life?



The angel Gabriel came to Mary and told her all about how she'd conceive and bear God's son Jesus, and even when she asked how this could be, he elaborated. Wouldn't that be nice? Wouldn't it be nice to have an angel show up and tell us what God's plan for our life is?

But... that's not how it went. The angel actually told her very little. And after Mary's "fiat" ("Let it be done unto me according to thy word"), what happens? "The angel departed." That's it. See, God probably won't tell you what his plan is for your life. Not all at once. And Fr. Mike is here today to tell you why it's actually better that way, and how we can follow Mary's example of trust.

[Read More Here](#)

The Three Wise Men: Share Your Gifts



Ms. Kim explains the Solemnity of the Epiphany and the importance of the wise men's gifts by teaching students how to draw the three magi. She challenges kids to do an act of kindness for someone, offering it as a gift to Jesus.

[Formed for Children](#)

The Elements of the Catholic Mass

Elements of the Catholic Mass is designed to help the faithful better appreciate the beauty of the Mass. Featuring Fr. Douglas Martis, former director of the Liturgical Institute, the program consists of thirty-one beautifully produced short videos.

The Church Doors



The door of the church is not simply practical or pragmatic; it is not simply for entry and exit. The door of every church is a sacramental sign that reminds us of our future entry into paradise. Every church is dedicated before it is put into service for worship; its prayer of dedication tells us what it signifies.

[Watch Formed Here](#)

Office Schedule

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: From 9:30am to 5:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays: From 9:30am to 8:00pm

Mass Intentions by phone: Please call 905-451-2300
(during office hours)

Meetings: by Appointment Only

Note: During lunch the office will be closed from 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday

9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays

9:30am to 4:00pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday

9:00am Mass

Friday Evenings

**6:00pm to 7:00pm Holy Hour followed by
7:00pm Mass**

Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00pm Mass (Saturday Vigil Mass)

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

11:00am Mass

12:30pm Mass

2:00pm Mass (*Spanish*)

Confession Times

Fridays

6:00pm to 6:45pm

Saturdays

4:00pm to 4:45pm

Church open for Prayer

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Saturdays

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