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## Epiphany of the Lord



*We have come to Homage Him.*

# EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**DECEMBER 28, 2024 - 27, 2024 - JANUARY 3, 2025**

**Saturday: 28 December**

6:00 pm + José Fortunato Moniz, Maria Ortenzia Moniz, pais e sogros

**Sunday: 29 December**

9:00 am + Gregorio e Teresa Cirillo, Giovanbatista Cirillo, Giulio e Paola Sousa Costa, Adornata Cirillo + Paolo, Maria, Francesco e Letizia

10:30 am + Armando Nogueira

+ Francisco Lemos

+ Daniel Goncalves Campos

+ Ana Carneiro Pinto, e Amandio do Barros Pinto

+ José Ganhão (2º mês falecimento)

+ Pai e Irmão de Ana Maria Pinheiro e Família falecido

+ Laurentino Capitão (aniv fal) e Amelia Gramoso

+ Diolinda da Luz, marido e pais

12:00 pm + Maria Adelaide Novo (would have turned 93)

+ Fidel & Asuncion Lacap

+ Joshua Couto & Family

- Birthday Blessing for Andre & Isabel Jordao

**Tuesday: 31 December**

6:00 pm +

**Wednesday: 1 January**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

9:00 am - Italian

10:30 am - Portuguese

12:00 pm - English

**Thursday: 2 January**

6:00 pm - No Mass

**Friday: 3 January**

6:00 pm +

**MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 5 - 10, 2025**

**Saturday: 4 January**

6:00 pm + Arsilio Gomes (10 anos de falecimento), Antonio Gomes, Leontina Reis, todas as almas, e Sagrada Família de Nazaré

**Sunday: 5 January**

9:00 am + Leonardo Peragine

10:30 am + Antonio Pacheco, Ana Pacheco

+ Fernando Carvalho e filho Fernando

12:00 pm + Danny Vieira

- Birthday Blessing for Venilde Sousa

- In thanksgiving for the Mac Lean Family

**Tuesday 7 January**

6:00 pm + Almas do purgatorio (Legião de Maria)

**Thursday: 9 January**

6:00 pm +

**Friday: 10 January**

6:00 pm +

Next **Sunday January 14**, there will be a **second collection** for the maintenance of the building. Thank you for any support you are able to offer

We do not only give thanks to God for all the blessings that we continue to receive but we must also share them with our brothers and sisters who are in need. We invite our parishioners to bring non-perishable food to the church which we will be collecting for **GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE**. Please **no clothes just food**. Thank you.



On the Feast of the Epiphany, we remember the Magi who guided by the star shining in the heavens, came to the house where Jesus rested in the arms of Mary, His Mother. They were blessed as they brought their gifts to that holy place. O God, by your heavenly star, you guided those who were wise to your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. May your blessing come to rest on all of us. Make our lives wise with your wisdom, true to your teaching, and enlivened by your love. May your Word made flesh make his home among us. Amen.

May we bring him the gifts of our faith and trust and hope. May we recognize him as our savior who gave his own life to set us free from the power of sin and death. Come, let us adore him. My gifts are small, and often filled with fear. They are my trust and my hope. Please accept them and heal me and let me be free enough to rejoice that you are the Beloved Son and that you have come for me.



**CATECHETICAL PREPARATION:**

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT (BRING YOUR LUNCH)**  
SATURDAY JANUARY 11, 2024 AT 9 AM - 4 PM

**FIRST RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**  
SATURDAY JANUARY 18 AT 10:00 AM

**Church Bulletin Advertising**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in March 2024 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

**MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR 2025.** The office is booking mass intentions for 2024. Please come in or call the office hours to make your request. The proposed offering for Mass is \$20.00. Please use envelope provided at the entrance of the church marked **mass intention** for the offering (not Sunday Offertory envelope) Thank you.

**Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2024**  
Sunday, January 21, 2024, 4 p.m.

**St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral - 455 Ferrier St., Markham**

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27) Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

**CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS:**

You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and then try to get back up.  
We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.  
Good judgement comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgement.  
Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

**Consider Blood Donation** - 1 in 2 people in Canada are eligible to donate blood and plasma. Only 1 in 81 does. A small group of donors is meeting the needs of the entire country, so we're asking everyone who is eligible across Canada to join Canada's Lifeline and donate. To find a location: [www.blood.ca](http://www.blood.ca) or call 1-888-236-6283

**The office will be closed from: December 23, 2024 to January 13, 2025.**  
**Messages will be monitored. Thank you.**

**EPIFANIA DEL SIGNORE**



Oggi è il giorno della "manifestazione" del Signore a tutte le genti. Il Bambino contemplato dai Magi è il compimento delle promesse dei profeti e la risposta alle preghiere degli umili; è la luce del mondo, il Principe della pace, la via per il Regno, la vita di chi rinasce in Dio, la verità di chi brama la vera sapienza.



**AUGURIAMO A TUTTI VOI ASSIEME ALLE VOSTRE FAMIGLIE UN FELICE E SANTO ANNO NUOVO PIENO DELLE BENEDIZIONI DI DIO!**  
**PADRE JOSEPH**

**Preghiera Mensile Gennaio 2025**

**Del Papa:** Preghiamo perché i migranti, i rifugiati e le persone colpite dalla guerra vedano sempre rispettato il proprio diritto all'educazione, necessaria per costruire un mondo migliore.

**Per la famiglia:** Perché, in famiglia, i figli sperimentino l'amore sincero dei propri genitori e conoscano, per il loro esempio, il vero volto di Dio Padre, sorgente dell'amore autentico.

**Mariana:** Perché Maria conduca in questo anno di grazie, i fedeli a un rinnovamento dello spirito cristiano.

Utilizzare solo buste per **l'ANNO 2025**. In caso contrario, la tua donazione può essere accreditato sul conto di un'altra persona.

**Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. St. Roch's Parish 2889 Islington Ave.,** North York Catholic in Recovery is a non-profit organization seeking to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments (including alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction) Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected. **CONTACT:** Catholic in Recovery **PHONE:** 289-541-8188 **EMAIL:** cirstroch@gmail.com **WEBSITE:** <https://www.catholicinrecovery.com>

Once again, we would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the many people who have helped us in our celebration of the Birth of Christ: those who come every Monday to keep our church clean; wash the altar linens; to the people who helped us put up Christmas decorations; to those who brought food to the party as well as those who donated; to all who donated money to pay for our flowers; to all our Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Collectors and Choir Members: to all of you who have helped us make the celebration of the Birth of Christ a memorable one. **THANK YOU! HAPPY NEW YEAR!** *Fr. Joseph Miras*

**Solenidade da Epifania do Senhor**



No **Evangelho**, vemos a concretização dessa promessa: ao encontro de Jesus vêm uns "magos" do oriente, que representam todos os povos da terra... Atentos aos sinais da chegada do Messias, esses "magos" procuram-n'O com esperança até O encontrar, reconhecem n'Ele a "salvação de Deus" e aceitam-n'O como "o Senhor". A salvação rejeitada pelos habitantes de Jerusalém torna-se agora um dom que Deus oferece a todos os homens, sem exceção.



**Feliz Ano Novo! Que o próximo ano distribua muita paz, amor e felicidade a todos nós!**  
**Pe. Joseph**

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**Oração do Jubileu**

Pai que estás nos céus, a fé que nos deste no teu filho Jesus Cristo, nosso irmão, e a chama de caridade derramada nos nossos corações pelo Espírito Santo despertem em nós a bem-aventurada esperança para a vinda do teu Reino. A tua graça nos transforme em cultivadores diligentes das sementes do Evangelho que fermentem a humanidade e o cosmos, na espera confiante dos novos céus e da nova terra, quando, vencidas as potências do Mal, se manifestar para sempre a tua glória.

A graça do Jubileu reavive em nós, Peregrinos de Esperança, o desejo dos bens celestes e derrame sobre o mundo inteiro a alegria e a paz do nosso Redentor.

A ti, Deus bendito na eternidade, louvor e glória pelos séculos dos séculos. Amém



**January 2025**

**15 - St. Arnold Janssen, SVD**  
**Founder, Society of the Divine Word (SVD)**

**29 - St. Joseph Freinademetz, SVD**  
**First SVD Missionary to China**

**31 - St. John Bosco**



**Year of Jubilee – Pilgrimage for Young Adults**

The Archdiocese of Toronto's Office of Catholic Youth is excited to announce that the Jubilee for Youth is filling up fast, with 60 per cent of our 100 spots already taken! The pilgrimage to Rome will take place from July 23 to August 5. **Registrations are open to all young adults ages 19 to 39 until the end of February 2025**, so there's still time to secure a spot. Don't miss out—register today at <https://form.jotform.com/242754342056253!>

**PRAYER FOR OUR MISSIONARIES**

Most holy and loving God, you called and challenged St. Arnold Janssen to proclaim your Gospel to peoples everywhere. To your Spirit's prompting, St. Arnold responded with generous devotion to form three communities of religious missionaries. Watch over, bless and guide the communities of Sisters, dedicated to the Holy Spirit, and the Brothers and Priests committed to the Divine Word. All caring God, invite by name more young men and women to be missionaries in our day. Embrace them with your grace; inflame them with your youthful zeal. In faith, we make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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