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May the Spirit of God Lead You Through the New Year

Masses Of The Week

JANUARY 5 TO 11

Sunday January 5	9:00am 10:30am	Blessings for all St. Joseph the Workers' Parishioners and Families 63 RD Wedding Anniversary	
		Blessing for Tony & Tessie Escolar	
	12:30pm	Mario Ferreira	
Monday January 6	7:00pm	Emiliano De Los Santos Alfred Launcette Clarke	
Tuesday January 7	7:00pm	Birthday Blessings for Rucky Pereira	
Wednesday January 8	7:00pm	Orlando Mainolsi (1 month)	
Thursday January 9	7:00pm	Holy Community Hour	
Friday January 10	7:00pm	Christina Waters Anderson	
Saturday January 11	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory	
	5:00pm	Holy souls in Purgatory	

Events Of The Week

JANUARY 5 TO 11

Sunday January 5	Children's Liturgy during Masses	
Monday January 6	• 7:30pm Bible Study (Hall)	
Tuesday January 7	No events	
Wednesday	• 10:00am Seniors' Program (Hall)	
January 8	• 6:30pm Perpetual Novena (Church)	
Thursday	10:00pm Precious Blood Devotion	
January 9	Adoration (Chapel)	
Friday January 10	No events	
Saturday	10:00am FHC Parents Meeting (Church)	
January 11	• 10:00am FHC Class #1 (Hall)	
	• 2:30pm Confirmation Class #1 (Hall)	
	• 4:00pm Confession	
	• 5:00pm Children's Liturgy during Mass	
	• 7:00pm EADM Prayer Meeting (Church	
	& Hall)	

The Feast of the Epiphany



The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. *Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning, "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.

HISTORY OF THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Epiphany goes by various names in different cultures. Little Christmas, Three Kings Day, or Twelfth Night all remain the official end of the season's "Twelve Days of Christmas" – counting from Christmas evening on December 25th to the Epiphany on January 6th.

Epiphany is from the Greek word *Epiphania*, meaning "revelation". In biblical terms, this word best describes the story of how the Magi or Three Kings - Caspar (or Kaspar or Gaspar), Melchior and Balthasar - saw a bright star on the night Christ was born and followed it to Bethlehem. There they found the Christ child and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

EPIPHANY: A FOURFOLD FEAST

Epiphany originally celebrated four different events, in the following order of importance: the Baptism of the Lord; Christ's first miracle, the changing of water into wine at the wedding in Cana; the Nativity of Christ; and the visitation of the Wise Men or Magi.

Upcoming Events

Junior Kindergarten Registration

Registration begins January 6, 2019 at your local Catholic elementary school. Please bring the following <u>original</u> documents:

- 1. Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate (child's or parent's)
- 2. Proof of age (Child's Birth Certificate)
- 3. Proof of legal status in Canada (if required)
- 4. Proof of residency (2 documents required; please note Driver's Licence will no longer be accepted as one of the proof of residency.)
- 5. Proof of English Separate School Support (i.e. your property tax bill), or you can complete a school support form that is included in the registration package

Note:

JK children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2019 (born in 2016) SK children must be 5 years old by Dec. 31, 2019 (born in 2015)

St. Joseph The Worker School (French Immersion) (905-738-5703)

from 9:30am to 11:30am and 1:30pm – 3:00pm.

Our Lady of The Rosary (905-669-6690)

from 10:00am to 11:30am and 1:30pm – 3:00pm.

First Holy Communion Classes

First Communion classes for Catholic School students begin **Saturday, January 11th at 10am.**All classes will be held in the hall located in the basement of the Church. Attendance to all classes is **mandatory.**

Class #1	January 11	10am – 12pm
Class #2	January 18	10am – 12pm
Class #3	January 25	10am – 12pm

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

Meeting #1 Saturday, January 11 @ 10:00am

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes begin **Saturday, January 11th at 2:30pm**. Please meet in the Main Church. Attendance to all classes is <u>mandatory.</u>

Class #1	January 11	2:30 – 4:30pm
Class #2	January 18	2:30 – 4:30pm
Class #3	January 25	2:30 – 4:30pm

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

Meeting #1
Saturday, January 15 @ 7:45pm

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