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## **Epiphany of the Lord**



We have come to Homage Him.

The Epiphany of the Lord (January 4 - 11)

#### Mass Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 60.1-6

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 3.2-3, 5-6

**Gospel:** Matthew 2.1-12

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday 4 January, 5:00 PM

+ Rodolfo & Clelia Santia

#### Sunday 5 January, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Orazio Facchini

#### Sunday 5 January, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

#### Sunday 5 January, 12:00 PM

+ Caterina & Giuseppe Lazarich

#### Tuesday 7 January, 7:00 PM

- + Gennaro & Stella Pannucci
- + Antonia Monteleone
- + Deceased Members of the Bocchiocchio Family

#### Wednesday 8 January, 7:00 PM

- + Albert Stephens
- + Fr. Jose Roberto Arong
- + Deceased Members of the Bennedeto Family

#### Thursday 9 January 2025, 9:00 AM

+ Jimmy Saldanha

#### Friday 10 January 2025, 9:00 AM

+ Augusto Mariani

#### Saturday 12 January 2025, 5:00 PM

- + Rosalia Ferro
- + Augusto Mariani

#### Bible Study

## Will Resume on Wednesday January 8, 2025

To deepen your understanding of this powerful Gospel, we invite you to join us for a Bible study with Mr. John Campanella.

Sessions will take place every Wednesday after the 7:00 pm Mass in the church hall. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. Come, and journey with us.

#### Changes to Daily Mass Schedule 2025

Please note the following CHANGES to the Daily Mass Schedule starting January 2025

- Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00 PM (Multi-Intentions)
- Thursday & Friday 9:00 AM (Single Intention)
- Saturday 5:00 PM
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Italian), 10:30 AM & 12:00 PM English)

#### 2025 First Holy Communion Preparation Class

The First Communion Class will be resume on Sunday, January 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Confirmation 2025 will take place on Saturday, May 17, 2025 @ 10:00am

#### 2025 Confirmation Preparation Class

The Confirmation Class will be resume on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

First Holy Communion 2025 will take place on Saturday, May 10, 2025 @ 10:00 am

#### Ministry of Hospitality

We are looking for volunteers to join the Hospitality Ministry (Ushers). If interested, please contact the Parish Office during office hours or email us at st.josephtheworkerth@archtoronto.org



God of the stars, point us to your miracles.

Help us to see them and never take them for granted.

May we return with worship and praise to give you thanks, and return your gifts with giving hearts and lives.

Amen.

#### Street Patrol – Saturday January 18th

Join us in our monthly Street Patrol initiative; every third Saturday of the month, parishioners prepare and distribute food to the homeless in downtown Toronto. This program, started in 1995 and headquartered at St. Patrick's Parish, aims to serve those in need within our community.

At St. Joseph the Worker Parish, we support this cause by organizing our own Street Patrol. Each month, we gather at 9 am in the parish hall to prepare bagged lunches. We then travel downtown to distribute the food, returning to the parish by 3:00 PM.

If you can't participate in person, you can still help by donating supplies such as bread, deli meats, cheese, granola bars, juice boxes, and water bottles. Every donation counts!

For more information, please contact the parish office. We look forward to your support and participation in this meaningful service.

#### <u>Year of Jubilee – Pilgrimage for Young</u> 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/242754342056 253

#### <u>Annual Week of Prayer for Christian</u> <u>Unity Prayer Service 2025</u>

Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, 4 p.m.

Venue: North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7

Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto) and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches and celebrates the 1,700th anniversary of the Ecumenical Council of Nicaea.

## Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.



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