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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Masses For The Week

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

5:00 pm Benedict & Josephine Grech R.I.P.
- Victor Grech

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

9:00 am The People of the Parish
11:00 am Maria Cerasoli & Anna Paolini R.I.P.
- Lo Giacco Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

7:00 pm Dina & Alfredo Venere R.I.P.
- Venere Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

9:00 am Joachim Nguyen Van Thu R.I.P. &
Anna Nguyen Thi Nguyen R.I.P.
- Anna Nguyen Thi Phuong

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

7:00 pm Intentions of Bishop Ivan Camilleri
- Tara Nadal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

9:00 am Josie Nosan R.I.P. - Nadal Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

5:00 pm Augustine Emmanuel R.I.P.
- Patricia MacFarlane & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

9:00 am Antonietta & Antonio Borrelli R.I.P.
- Pincente Family
11:00 am The People of the Parish

Sick: That all who are experiencing despair, pain and sickness may discover peace and healing, especially Bill Bennett and Guiliana Della Rovere.



Deceased: That they may be guided to eternal joy, especially Rev. James McConica, C.S.B. and Rev. Msgr. John Staskevicius, P.H.

Pope's January Prayer Intention: *For the gifts of diversity in the Church* - We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2024

Sunday, January 21, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Venue: St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral
(455 Ferrier St., Markham, ON L3R 5Z2)

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.

The homilist is H.G. Anba Archilids, General Bishop and Papal Vicar Coptic Orthodox Archdiocese of Toronto.

Livestream available at <https://bit.ly/WPCU2024live>

This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund Update

On December 12, 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 Aboriginal Legal Services located in Toronto, Ontario, that will receive \$538,000 to help fund their Indigenous family dispute resolution program called Giiwedin Anang.

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



OFFERING

Don't forget to pick up your offertory envelopes for 2024 and please make sure to pick up only the box with your name on it. If you used envelopes last year there will be a box for you with the same number. **Please destroy any envelopes you may have from previous years.**

If you do not use weekly Sunday offering envelopes, and you would like to begin, please see the staff at the counter in the church foyer.

Using envelopes allows us to know that you are a practicing member of St. John the Evangelist Parish. It is important that we have a way of knowing you when you request baptism, marriage or letters of reference.

As long as you paid income tax, using envelopes can be beneficial. Depending on the amount of income tax you paid and the amount you have contributed to charities, you may be eligible for up to 40% combined Federal and Provincial tax credit of the amount you gave to charities.

Further information can be found at Canada Revenue Agency, <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html>



Weekly Offering (Dec 17)	\$2,850.80
Specified Donation (Dec 17)	\$6,950.95
Expenses (Dec 11 - Dec 17)	\$6,908.84
Weekly Offering (Dec 24)	\$4,073.55
Expenses (Dec 18 - Dec 24)	\$4,475.02
Christmas Offering (Dec 25)	\$7,405.75
Weekly Offering (Dec 31)	\$3,011.85
Expenses (Dec 25 - Dec 31)	\$5,172.84
New Year's Day (Jan 1)	\$2,369.00
Initial Offering	\$1,040.00

Thank you for your contribution.

An Epiphany House Blessing

On the Feast of the Epiphany, the family gathers to ask God's blessing on their home and on those who live in or visit the home. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

A traditional way of doing this is to use chalk to write above the home's entrance. It can also be written somewhere inside the home.

All make the Sign of the Cross.

Leader: "Peace be to this house and to all who dwell here, in the name of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Reader: When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God

Using chalk, write on the outside of your house or inside above the front main entrance, above or next to an entrance:

+20 Christus Mansionem Benedicat 24+
or +20 C M B 24+

These words mean. "May Christ bless this house" or you may use the names of the Magi

+20 Caspar Melchior Balthazar 24+
or +20 C M B 24+

All: Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who live here and all who visit. May we be blessed with health, kindness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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