

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 7, 2024



ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2024 (5:00 PM)

Isaiah 60:1-6 | Ps 47:2-3,6-9 | Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 | Matthew 2:1-12

†Teresita & Efren Manlangit



SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 (9:00 AM)

†Royston Simons

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 (11:00 AM)

For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 | Psalm 29:1-4,3,9-10 | Mark 1:7-11

NO MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024 (7:00 PM)

1Samuel 1:9-20 | Psalm 1Samuel 2:1,4-7,8abcd | Mark 1:21-28

†Aldo Lista

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024 (9:00 AM)

1Samuel 3:1-10,19-20 | Psalm 40:2,5,7-8a,8b-9,10 | Mark 1:29-39

Special intentions of Julia Pamplin, Ogechi Aigbe, Mary Ndukwe Bende and †Christopher Ndukwe Bende

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024 (9:00 AM)

1Samuel 4:1-11 | Psalm 44:10-11,14-15,24-25 | Mark 1:40-45

Special intention of Annamaria Piraino

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024 (9:00 AM)

1Samuel 8:4-7,10-22a | Psalm 89:16-19 | Mark 2:1-12

†Luc Lim Hoye Yee

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024 (9:00 AM)

1Samuel 9:1-4,17-19;10:1 | Psalm 21:2-7 | Mark 2:13-17

†Christine Golec, †Christopher Ndukwe Bende, Blessings for Shantie Toolsie, Special intention of Mary Ndukwe Bende

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wed. & Thurs. 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Friday 9:30 am to 12:00 noon

DAILY DEVOTIONS

(after Mass)

Tuesday – Sts. Anne & Joachim

Wed. – Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday - St. Jude

Friday – Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday – St. Michael

Confessions: Sat. 9:30 to 10:30 am

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2. Contribute to your parish offertory by credit card. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to your parish's offertory or other special funds.
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PASTOR'S BLOG

As we come to the end of the Christmas season, celebrating the Epiphany of Our Lord. Epiphany, which is also known as "Little Christmas," is the feast that celebrates the arrival of the three Magi who had come to worship the Child Jesus shortly after his birth. It is traditionally celebrated on January 6 giving us the 12 days of Christmas. However, each bishop's conference gets the choice of celebrating the feast on the nearest Sunday between Jan. 2 and Jan 8. Many around the world celebrate this feast with as much pomp and circumstance as Christmas, including the exchanging of gifts. As we celebrate this feast, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the parishioners for their kindness and generosity with their gifts to both me and the staff of St. Mary's during this Christmas season. We all feel loved and know that we are appreciated by you, our parish family.

One of the traditions on the feast of the Epiphany is for Catholics to bless their homes by writing the letters C, M, and B and the numbers of the year, for example 2024, at the top of their doors. The letters stand for the names of the three Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. They also represent the Latin blessing *Christus mansionem benedicat*, which means "May Christ bless this house."

In the day, priests would be able to go to each house bless each one. But with the growth of parishes and the many houses one would have to visit, many parishes will give their parishioners a piece of blessed chalk, a small bottle of holy water, and the house blessing written so that each family can go and bless their homes.

This year, we are one of those parishes. After Mass this weekend, we will have a little house blessing care package that you can bless your home (or condo). We hope that with God's blessing upon you and your household we will be able to build the kingdom of God in Port Credit.



**PLEASE NOTE FOR THE YEAR 2024 IT SHOULD BE:
20 + C + M + B +24**

Speaking of building the kingdom of God, 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.

Fr Michael

SSVP CHRISTMAS SUMMARY

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to make Christmas brighter for 76 households, consisting of 119 adults, of which 17 are seniors, plus 49 children. We distributed \$15,630 in store vouchers, and \$1,476 in bus tickets for a grand total of \$17,106. May God bless you.

St. Mary's continues to be the "little parish that could" (and does!).

SSVP HELPLINE

For assistance, please call 647-628-2058

Leave your name number and a brief message and someone will get back to you at the earliest.

THIS WEEK'S VOTIVE LAMP DEDICATIONS

TABERNACLE

In Thanksgiving
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SACRED HEART OF JESUS

In loving memory of Monsignor Harry Doyle
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OUR BLESSED MOTHER

In loving memory of Ida Power
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ST. JOSEPH

In Thanksgiving

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