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*We saw his star in the East
and have come to worship Him*



**JANUARY 3 2021
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
CYCLE B**

Readings:

**Isaiah 60:1–6
Psalm 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–13
Ephesians 3:2–3, 5–6
Matthew 2:1–12**



The feast of the Epiphany is a celebration to commemorate the manifestation of Christ's glory— (1) when the Magi adored Him; (2) in his baptism, when the voice from heaven proclaimed Him the Son of God, and; (3) in the miracle of changing water into wine, when Christ began his miracles and "manifested" his glory. As early as the fourth century the feast of the Epiphany was ranked among the greatest of the Church's solemnities. This proves that the threefold commemoration on the Epiphany is very strong and ancient in the Catholic faith. The account in the gospel of Matthew of the visit of the Magi is the story of God's revelation to them and a foreshadowing of the great mission to all nations that Matthew's gospel will announce in Christ's victory over death – (see Mt 28:16-20, 'Go make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit; and know that I am with you to the end of the age').

The feast of the Epiphany is an excellent time for us to recall and give thanks for the gift of our families – those people who have loved us through thick and thin, who have taught us, cared for us, nourished and loved us, in our learning, work, hobbies and endeavors – who have supported us in in the development of our gifts and talents and have encouraged us to reach far and follow our stars – to seek and find our own mission and purpose according to God's plan.

Like the prophets, seers and holy men and women of the Bible who chose to do God's will, the involvement of the wise Magi in the events at Bethlehem ends with yet another holy act of respectful obedience and cooperation with God's plans: "*Having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road*". Christians should also be receptive to the specific grace and mission God has given them. They should persevere in it even if it means having to change any personal plans they may have made. By making our faith important in our lives we also witness to the goodness of God coming into the lives others who do not yet know or understand God. May we too be faithful missionaries of the Good News of God's love in the world.

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

DECEMBER 26TH TO JANUARY 2ND 2021

Sat	Dec 26th	5:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
Sun	Dec 27th	7:30am	Thanksgiving for the Lugos Family
		9:00am	People of the Parish
		10:30am	Cecelia & Cyril Rodrigues †
		12:00pm	Soul of Ricarido Palencia †
Mon	Dec 28th	7:30pm	Michele Morra †
Tues	Dec 29th	8:30am	Soul of Winnie & Lolit Mirasol †
Wed	Dec 30th	7:30pm	Soul of Ricardo & Perla Tardecilla †
Thur	Dec 31st	5:00pm	In Thanksgiving from Lopez Hernandez Family
Fri	Jan 1st	10:30am	De Leon Family †
Sat	Jan 2nd	8:30am	No Mass



OUR SICK:

Jun Mercado, Kathleen Filichuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Jovencia Alo, Paul Chamberlain, Andre Baksh, Fernando Rajasoorier, Georgina DaCosta, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita

Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejton, Kathleen Copeland, Silvia Emma Rossi, Conchita Estolano Paran, Margaret Horvath, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Lilia D. Perez, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Jean Schofield, Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Sr. Cecilia Marie Ching, Sr. Theresa Ching, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clara Uy Cruz, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Nelie Sicat, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Deacon Gerald Godsoe, Ellen Jarman, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marie McPherson, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Maria Anna Diandra Rivera, Natalina Fernandes, Umbelina Felix, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Ela Sicat-Angeles.

VISITING THE CHURCH FOR PERSONAL PRAYER TIME DURING THE LOCKDOWN:

The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m. You may also visit the church on other days by making an appointment. Please call the office @ 416 261-5983 to arrange a time for personal prayer with Jesus. There is a limit of 10 people in the Church at a time.

CONFESSIONS:

Confessions are always available by appointment.

Come and be renewed in heart and spirit to be reconciled with our God.



2021 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2021 Sunday donation envelopes are available in the office for pick-up. The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Please call the office to arrange a time to pick-up your envelopes. Thank you for continuing to support our Parish.



So many of the faithful rely on the reception of the sacraments and our churches to find solace, peace and support during this period of pandemic. Despite these new restrictions, we will make every effort to continue our outreach to you. We also ask that you find opportunities to assist those who are vulnerable or alone among us.

We pray that you and your loved ones remain safe and healthy. May God continue to bless you now and always!

THANK YOU FROM FR. PETER!

On behalf of myself and Fr. Neiman, I would like to offer heartfelt thanks to all the parishioners who provided us with so many expressions of kindness and cheerful goodwill, food and goodies, donations, generosity and support to us both personally and for the support of our parish. You are such a witness of God's benevolence when so many other signs of goodness are out of sight, in a time when we are not permitted to be together in the ways we would like to be with family and friends, in prayer and thanksgiving. Please be assured that you are in our prayers and the masses we offer each day. Peace and blessings as we look forward to the grace of a New Year in our Lord. Fr. Peter



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We offer our sincere gratitude for your kind support and generous donations for our SVDP Christmas Help

Collection this year. Your donations will provide Christmas Help for our neighbours in need. We thank you for including your name and address on your donation envelope. This information is needed for our conference to issue 2020 tax receipts to you. May your Christmas season be filled with a deep experience of God's love, peace and joy.

CWL CARING AND SHARING DRIVE

THANK YOU to all those who have already donated items for the Good Shepherd Centre. We appreciate your support and participation in this endeavor.



Due to the Provincial lock-down restrictions, we are still accepting your donations. Please drop them off at the Parish Office.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel, the CWL Patroness, intercede for us.

NEW YEAR PRAYER

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee Amen.



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