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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.*

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	04	
5:30	pm †	Celina Kozlowska
SUN	05	Epiphany of the Lord
8:00	am †	Vincent Francica
9:30	am	<i>Pro Popolo</i>
11:00	am †	Pires Mendonca
12:30	pm	In Thanksgiving
6:00	pm †	Marcelina Campos
MON	06	
8:30	am †	Caremelo Pinizotto
TUES	07	St. André Bessette
8:30	am †	Fernando Carreiro
WED	08	
8:30	am †	Celina Kozlowska
THUR	09	
8:30	am †	Manuel Ramos
FRI	10	
8:30	am †	Horace Agius
SAT	11	
9:00	am †	Afonso Botelho
	†	Maria de Luz & Jose Cordeiro

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Andre Bessette

Born in Quebec; sickness and weakness dogged André from birth and after a year's novitiate, he was not admitted entrance into the Congregation of the Holy Cross because of his weak health. But with an extension and the urging of Bishop Bourget he was finally received and given the humble job of doorkeeper at Notre Dame College in Montreal, with additional duties as sacristan, laundry worker and messenger. He performed humble tasks for over forty years and entrusted all of the poor and sick who flocked to his cell to the care of St. Joseph. During his life he was able to have a chapel built to the spouse of the Virgin Mary. After his death, the shrine grew into the great basilica known as St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal.

St. Andre Bessette, pray for us!

EPIPHANY

Today is the Solemnity of the Epiphany, traditionally celebrated on January 6th as the end of the twelve days of Christmas, although it is, in fact, a much older feast than Christmas itself. It is the day when we celebrate the manifestation of the Christ Child to the gentile peoples, to people like ourselves. The Magi, or Wise Men, were led by a star (the natural light of their human reason) to find the infant Jesus. Finding him, they offered gifts which expressed their faith: gold to show they believed him to be a king; incense to recognise his divinity; and myrrh which expressed their understanding that his work would be achieved by suffering. Already there is a great deal of meaning in the feast. First of all there is a missionary dimension, the importance of spreading the faith to those who do not yet have it. The Magi were the first gentiles to recognise Christ, but they were not the last and it is a work that remains to be done. The Solemnity of the Epiphany is a day on which we traditionally pray for the missions. We should also note that the Magi expressed their faith not by words but by gifts. It is important to be able to speak about our faith, and to express it in reasonable terms; but sometimes non-verbal communication is more powerful. This is true of the gifts brought by the Magi and the Church recognised this meaning from the earliest days. The gift of ourselves to God and to our neighbour in charity expresses our faith more powerfully than any argument. ~ Fr Paul Dobson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2020

Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th + wedding anniversary **in 2020**, they are invited to join in this special celebration.

Join in this special celebration Mass at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 9 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Ave, Toronto). Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating.

Registration and other important information at: archtoronto.org/marriage or (416) 934-3400, x 523.

A SPECIAL WORD of THANKS

....to all those who volunteered their time and efforts to decorate the church for Christmas with flowers, the nativity scenes, trees and wreaths! The church was adorned beautifully to greet the Christ Child.

.... to our wonderful choirs who worked hard to make our celebrations especially joyful. to those that prepare the Altar and vestments, Altar Servers, Lectors, Extra-Ordinary ministers & ushers. to all our ministries that work throughout the year in service to our community of faith.

.... to our parishioners for their many acts of kindness and gifts of generosity during the Christmas season and throughout the year. ~Fr. Paul and Fr. Neiman

THE EUCHARIST in Scripture

Mondays, Jan 6, 13, 20, 27, Feb 3 & 10 (6 sessions)

Mornings 9-11 am upstairs OR evenings 7-9 pm hall

Built around three of Dr. Scott Hahn's foundational talks: "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word," The Eucharist in Scripture examines the biblical foundations of the Eucharist and explores the Church's liturgy as the original context for the books of the Bible. Register in the parish office. Cost \$30 with workbook / \$10 without.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS 2020

Friday March 20/21 and March 27/28

Friday 8-10 pm & Saturday 10am-5pm;

Register with the Parish Office. Payment by cash or cheque only. Couples must attend all four days.

MINISTRIES

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Meetings 7 pm every Wednesday in the Parish Hall

Next Special Events: - Everyone is Welcome -

HOLY MASS WITH HEALING SERVICE - Wed, Jan 29,

7 p.m. - Church | Celebrant: Rev. Fr. David Avila

LENTEN RETREAT Sat, Feb 29, 8am-4pm Parish Hall

Rev. Fr. Joel Okojie, Shrine Our Lady Grace, King City.

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YOUTH GROUP – LIFE TEEN

Saturday Evenings following the 5:30 pm Mass.

JANUARY PARISH COFFEE HOUR

Wednesday, January 8th after the 8:30 am Mass

Join us for coffee and fellowship!

EVENTS

AROUND THE ARCH

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY 2020

Saturdays 10am – 4pm: January 4, 11, 18, 25 & Feb 1, 15
At Pauline Books & Media | 3022 Dufferin St. Toronto.
Presented live by Sr. Paulina Burns fsp. Why is it John Paul II's life changing teaching – Theology of the Body – the answer to today's hottest issues.

TEAMS OF OUR LADY – COUPLES GROUPS

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about Our Lady, showing how she has been a part of God's plan to bring salvation to the world since the beginning of time. Journey through Scripture reads the Bible from the heart of the Church, engaging both the Old and New Testaments and how they work together. It's grounded in history, yet actively engages topics faced by today's Catholic.



Me and My House

Practical help for parents in our times

3 seasons 10 - 15 min.

A practical guide for Catholic parents struggling with all the things that parents struggle with. How do you want to build your unique family culture? Be challenged to do little things and make little changes that will make a huge impact on your family.

SMILE OF THE DAY Answer : It's always taken to be red.

Why can you never find a pink book in a library?

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