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

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



### MASSES OF THE WEEK

<b>Monday, January 6</b> Special Intention	8:00 am
<b>Tuesday, January 7</b> <b>ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE, Religious</b> Beatrice Orlando (Deceased) <i>Requested by the family</i>	8:00 am
<b>Wednesday, January 8</b> Lucy & Frank Curran (Deceased) <i>Requested by Leo Cunningham</i>	8:00 am
<b>Thursday, January 9</b> Felicia Pop (Deceased) <i>Requested by Dorothy Hillmann &amp; Craig Richard</i>	8:00 am
<b>Friday, January 10</b> Vincent Britto (Deceased) <i>Requested by Lilian &amp; Romuald Fernandes</i>	8:00 am
<b>Saturday, January 11</b> Denis Tsui (Deceased) <i>Requested by Ophelia Wong</i>	9:00 am



*We welcome to our Parish through the  
Sacrament of Baptism*

Jasmine Annabelle Gomez  
Natasha Mun-Lum Castillo Chan  
Syrus Dalisay Jamisola  
Keira Elizabeth Calderone  
Nicholas Eliot Jia-Neng Cashell



### Knights of Columbus

**Executive Meeting:** Monday, January 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trinity Room.  
**Breakfast at Pickle Barrel:** Saturday, January 11, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All Knights are invited.  
**Free Throw Basketball Playoffs:** Wednesday, January 15 in Thornhill.  
**General Meeting:** Monday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Trinity Room.

### North York Retirees Club

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 28, 2 – 3 p.m.** in the Blessed Trinity parish hall.  
All retirees are cordially invited to attend.



### Theresians of Blessed Trinity

The January meeting of the Theresians will be held on **Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. in the parish hall.** New members always welcome. Also, the Theresians will be hosting a **Dinner and Dance and Evening of Music on Saturday, January 25, 2014.** The cost is \$20 per person. Tickets will be sold after the Masses on January 4/5, 11/12/ 18/19. Proceeds will go to the various outreaches of the Theresians, namely; the St. Clare's Residence, Missionary Sisters of Charity, St. Francis Table, Sisters of Life, The Rosary Apostolate, St. Kateri Tekakwitha Centre, Catholic Family Services, Serra House, Aid to Women and Canada Mission.

### Parent Meetings – Parish Hall

#### First Reconciliation/First Communion

For parents of registered students to receive the Sacrament of First Communion at Blessed Trinity Church this year from Blessed Trinity School, St. Agnes School, private schools and Saturday classes.

**Meeting: Tuesday, January 14, 2014  
7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

#### Confirmation

For parents of registered students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Blessed Trinity Church this year from Blessed Trinity School, St. Agnes School, private schools and Saturday classes.

**Meeting: Wednesday, January 15, 2014  
7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

### DISCERNING A POTENTIAL CALL TO THE DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD

For all young men of 18 years or older who are **discerning a potential call to the diocesan priesthood**, you may wish to come out for a discernment weekend of prayer and reflection. This will be held at **St. Augustine's Seminary** (2661 Kingston Road, Scarborough) during the **weekend of Friday, January 31 to Sunday, February 2, 2014.**

To register, please contact, before Sunday, January 26, 2014, one of the following:

Office of Vocations: 416-968-0997  
Email: [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)  
Rev. Eric Mah: 416-226-0262



### Fellowship of St. Joseph

The Fellowship of St Joseph of the AHC welcomes Fr. Dominic Borg, ocd on **Tuesday, January 21, 2014 in the parish hall at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome.

### **World Day of Migrants and Refugees**

On **Sunday, January 19 at 3 p.m.**, the Archdiocese of Toronto will be celebrating a Mass for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees at St. Paul's Basilica. In 2013 the Office for Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto has submitted applications to bring 250 refugees to Canada, thanks to the help of parishes and institutions within the Archdiocese. Join us in prayer for those seeking to escape situations of economic, political or other turmoil and to thank God for the many individuals and families that have safely made it to Canada to begin a new life. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop McGrattan and hosted by the Mission of the Vietnamese Martyrs. Visit [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) for more information.

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2014**

### **SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

#### **POVERTY OF HEART**

*(Catechism of the Catholic Church #2544-2547)*

Jesus enjoins his disciples to prefer him to everything and everyone, and bids them "renounce all that [they have]" for his sake and that of the Gospel (Lk 14:33). Shortly before his passion he gave them the example of the poor widow of Jerusalem who, out of her poverty, gave all that she had to live on (cf. Lk 21:4). The precept of detachment from riches is obligatory for entrance into the Kingdom of heaven.

All Christ's faithful are to "direct their affections rightly, lest they be hindered in their pursuit of perfect charity by the use of worldly things and by an adherence to riches which is contrary to the spirit of evangelical poverty" (LG 42(3)).

"Blessed are the poor in spirit" (Mt 5:3). The Beatitudes reveal an order of happiness and grace, of beauty and peace. Jesus celebrates the joy of the poor, to whom the Kingdom already belongs (cf. Lk 6:20).

The Lord grieves over the rich, because they find their consolation in the abundance of goods (Lk 6:24). "Let the proud seek and love earthly kingdoms, but blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven" (St. Augustine, De serm. Dom. in monte 1, 1, 3: PL 34, 1232). Abandonment to the providence of the Father in heaven frees us from anxiety about tomorrow (cf. Mt 6:25-34). Trust in God is a preparation for the blessedness of the poor. They shall see God.

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### **"Gratitude: A Powerful Attitude for Healing**

**When We Have Suffered a Loss"** – Please join in on an inspirational talk by Father Fred Scinto, C.R. on **January 7, 2014 at 7 p.m.** at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor (free underground parking available). For further information please contact Deacon James Shaughnessy at 416-921-1163, ext. 2227 or email: [jshaughn@cfstoronto.com](mailto:jshaughn@cfstoronto.com).

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### **Sunday Evening 6:15 p.m. Confession**

Please note that the priests are not available for Confessions at **6:15 p.m. on Sunday, January 5 and Sunday, January 12, 2014.**

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**St. Agnes School Registration** – The TCDSB is proud to announce the launch of the Student Online Registration Form. It will be available for JK/SK registration, which begins on January 8, 2014. The online application offers access to translations in many different languages. Parents can also schedule their appointment for registration with the elementary school online. We encourage you to visit website <http://soar.tcdsb.org> to complete application form. For general information please contact 416-222-8282, extension 5314 or [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org).

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**Kolbe Eucharistic Mini-Retreat** – Come to a special mini-retreat on **Saturday, January 11 at St. Brigid's Church, 300 Wolverleigh Blvd. 2 – 4:30 p.m.** Join them for adoration and praise and worship. Fr. Eric Rodrigues will give an inspiring talk on "Blessed Mother Teresa: Let Jesus use you...", and her relic will be venerated after Benediction. Visit website [www.kolbeapostolate.com](http://www.kolbeapostolate.com) for more information.

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**Vocations** – On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997

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