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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.**

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January

3:30-4:30 Confessions  
5:00 p.m. The Bouchard & Geoffrion families by Francine Bouchard

#### Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:30 a.m. Fr. George Maloney by CWL St. Francis  
11:00 a.m. Intentions of the parishioners

#### Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> January

8:00 a.m. Arlene Hiscock by mother, Ruth Hiscock (7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January

8:00 a.m. Ron Bergeron by Carole Bergeron (9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> January

8:00 a.m. Darrel Chrystian by Christine McAuliffe

#### Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> January

8:00 a.m. Guy Tremblay by Louis & Sheila Tremblay

#### Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> January

3:30-4:30 Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Intentions of the parishioners

#### Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> January - BAPTISM OF THE LORD

9:30 a.m. Alma Gaudet by Paul & Sharon Gaudet  
11:00 a.m. 1. Shane Burnie by Lynette & family  
2. Margaret & James Kyne by Kevin & Josie Donnelly

### NOTICES

ALL PERSONS ENTERING OR REMAINING IN THESE PREMISES MUST WEAR A MASK THAT SECURELY COVERS THE NOSE, MOUTH AND CHIN AS REQUIRED BY THE DIRECTIVE ISSUED UNDER THE PROVINCE'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL PROTECTION ACT.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY - 25 DECEMBER 2020

Christmas \$5,682.00

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION - 27 DECEMBER 2020

Sunday Offering	6,515.00
Sunday Loose	215.00
Needs of Canadian Church	25.00
Priests Pension Fund	5.00
Initial offering	50.00
Propagation of Faith	5.00
New Year's Day	<u>95.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,910.00</b>

With thanks



NOTICES

The passage from St. Matthew about the Magi reminds us of a detective story: some men were on a mission; they were searching for a king. Like first-class investigators, they had to read the signs and be aware of even the smallest clues.

There was a star that appeared - not a really reliable guide, but they managed to follow it. What helped them as they searched for the king were the important passages in Holy Scripture which foretold the coming of the Messiah. The Magi recognized the signs and travelled from another country to find the promised Messiah King. They finally discovered the whereabouts of the Messiah in a humble village called Bethlehem.

Their mission was successful: they saw the child with Mary, his mother. They found the Infant King in very modest circumstances.

Is this the end of the story? Not at all! Since they followed signs as they searched for the Child, the Magi themselves became signs for others. In effect, they influenced millions of seekers who would follow them to the Infant King.

As we begin another New Year, let us say this humble prayer:

**Lord, help me to detect the signs that will lead me to you.**

**Help me to be a sign for those who stumble in a perpetually starless night. Amen.**



**Georges Madore**

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli

AN EPIPHANY PRAYER

Father, we thank you for revealing yourself to us in Jesus the Christ, we who once were not your people but whom you chose to adopt as your people. As ancient Israel confessed long ago, we realize that it was not because of our own righteousness, or our own superior wisdom, or strength, or power, or numbers. It was simply because you loved us, and chose to show us that love in Jesus.

As you have accepted us when we did not deserve your love, will you help us to accept those whom we find it hard to love? Forgive us, O Lord, for any attitude that we harbor that on any level sees ourselves as better or more righteous than others. Will you help us to remove the barriers of prejudice and to tear down the walls of bigotry, religious or social? O Lord, help us realize that the walls that we erect for others only form our own prisons!

Will you fill us so full of your love that there is no more room for intolerance. As you have forgiven us much, will you enable us with your strength to forgive others even more? Will you enable us through your abiding Presence among us, communally and individually, to live our lives in a manner worthy of the Name we bear?

May we, through your guidance and our faithful obedience, find new avenues in ways that we have not imagined of holding the Light of your love so that it may be a Light of revelation for all people.

We thank you for your love, praise you for your Gift, ask for your continued Presence with us, and bring these petitions in the name of your Son, who has truly revealed your heart. Amen.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY**

**Intention for evangelization - *Human fraternity***

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

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