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OFFICE HOURS	Mon-Fri	9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
	Saturday	3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
	Sunday	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
	<i>closed on Statutory Holidays</i>	

MASS TIMES

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Mon - Fri	9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
or by appointment

PRAYER BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS

8:00 AM in the Adoration Chapel
8:30 AM Rosary in the church

PERPETUAL ADORATION

We encourage you to spend some time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel, anytime, day or night.

SACRAMENTS BAPTISMS & BECOMING ROMAN CATHOLIC

- For newborns, any weekend Mass.
- For school aged children, after being catechized.
- For adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic call the office for more information.

WEDDINGS

Please contact us at least one year in advance.

MINISTRY TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, in the hospital, or in a local nursing home so that we can minister to them.

FUNERALS

Please contact us and your choice of funeral home. For information on Catholic burial, please contact the cemetery office at 905.522.7727 or 1.800.661.5985, or visit www.TheCatholicCemeteries.ca

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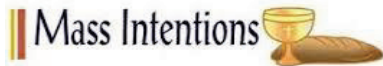
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Archangel St. Raphael "God is my Healer"

The angel of joy; patron of: travellers, bearers of good news and men and women seeking a good spouse.

See the Book of Tobit, especially chapter 12

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Monday, January 9 at 9:00 a.m.

† Clinton Cox

Tuesday, January 10 at 9:00 a.m.

† Dion Acampi

Wednesday, January 11 at 9:00 a.m.

† Jan Rybanski

Thursday, January 12 at 9:00 a.m.

Ints. Dan Dominic; Ints. Clare Penfold;
Ints. David Schick; Ints. Tom & Lee Olds
† Wenceslao Santos; † Joseph Viet Hoang

Friday, January 13

9:00am Ints. Ester Borja

Saturday, January 14 at 5:00 p.m.

Ints. Denis & Jerry Ford; Ints. Vincent Stanford
† Epifanio Braganza; † Frank Sicoli; † Wenceslao Santos
† Brother Edward Pereira; † Celia Guillen de Chico

Sunday, January 15

9:00 a.m. Maria da Luz Furtado
11:00 a.m. For Our Parishioners

Please pray for:

Andrea Emilia Bernabey
Lee Olds
Gustavo Cáceres
Jean Damiani
Jeannine Bannan

Danielle Dieppe
Christopher Ryan
Tom Olds
Vincent Stanford
Archie Damiani
Gary Bannan

Names on this list will remain for a period of four weeks to allow space for other names. Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.



CWL SPRING TIME MARKET: Please save any unwanted jewellery or scarves or small items for our upcoming Market; date to be determined.

You can call:

Lesley: lesleyc2@hotmail.com

or Marie: married286@gmail.com for pick up or drop off.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 15

Pre-Authorized Giving (75) \$7,786

December 25

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

GATHERING: Members and all women are

welcome to join the Catholic Women's League first gathering of the year on **Sunday, January 22, 2023** after the 11 am Mass in the St. Francis Room. We will toast the New Year as we build our plans and resolutions for our council. Come and join women of faith/service and social justice.



ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS - Just a quick

reminder that your Catholic Women's League 2023 membership fee is due by the end of February. Please put \$35.00 in the blue offertory envelope or a plain envelope with your name; address; telephone number and email address (if available). Place in the offertory basket at church or drop it off at the parish office. We wish you all a blessed and joyful Christmas.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM:

Message from Coordinator Charlie Carpenter

It is with great sadness that due to health reasons, I can no longer co-ordinate the Children's Liturgy. It is a very rewarding ministry; awakening the young minds to the words of Jesus, teaching them to pray and explaining to them the special days of the church and how we celebrate them.

To co-ordinate this ministry we need one, or preferably two, people to take on scheduling and a commitment to be there at least twice a month. The weekly format and prayers are already in place. I can continue on with the weekly colouring and word searches according to the church calendar. Two people need to be in the St. Francis Room about a half hour before mass, to set up the room; and sit up in the pew five minutes before mass.

Please consider this ministry and call or text me with any questions or concerns. Charlie Carpenter @905-681-6221 or 289-834-4905.

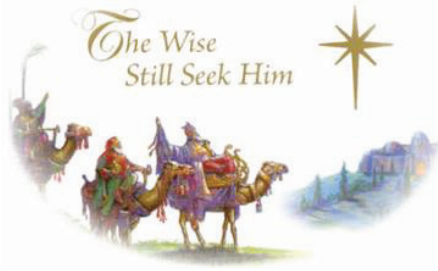
Pilgrimage Tour to Peru Under spiritual guidance of Fr Wilson Andrade.

Dates: MAY 16- 26, 2023

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“We are God’s Family”

Reflections by Rev. Wilson Andrade, CSC

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The term epiphany comes from the Greek term *epiphaneia*, which means “*manifestation, striking appearance.*” For us it is to say that God manifested or appeared in Jesus Christ. This feast is powerfully symbolized in the ‘*arrival of the three wise men who offered gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.*’ That is to proclaim the child born to Mary in Bethlehem is the ‘*long awaited Messiah and King.*’

We know and experience creation, especially our surrounding nature, as an Epiphany of God. Creation reveals God’s presence. Great mystics of our times have said that the *world is charged with God* (Gerard Hopkins) and saw *creation as the Divine milieu* (Teilhard de Chardin). We realize that we are created *in the image and likeness of God*, so we reveal God’s presence. We belong to God and we are an *epiphaneia* – a striking image of God. In the Scriptures, especially, St. John often refers to each one of us as God’s Children. We belong to God and truly the family of God. Do we live like God’s Children? That question each one of us has to answer before God. So, let’s live as the children of God, accepting everyone as our brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ.

Today, God becoming one like us in Jesus Christ helps us to deepen our awareness of God’s presence. As Christ fully revealed God’s presence, we, baptized Christians, *are called to reveal and proclaim the presence of Christ to all.* May the feast of the Epiphany deepen our awareness of God’s presence in this world. We may become God’s instruments of love, peace and joy to everyone in this world. *O’ Come Let us adore Christ our Lord*

In the Huron Christmas Song: *T’was in the Moon of Wintertime* (written in 1642 by Jean de Brebeuf) the Magi are portrayed as “Chiefs from afar” who bring Jesus “fox and beaver pelts.” What gifts are you bringing to honor Jesus, Our Lord?



International Try Prayer Contest 2023

This year’s theme, “**Open Wide the Doors of Your Home to Christ**” will help you and your family answer God’s call to holiness by inviting Jesus and Mary into everything you do. Through family prayer, especially the Rosary, Mary will share her love for Jesus with your family and help you become a channel of His love and light in the world. Everyday life might seem ordinary, but God has an extraordinary mission for your family!

You can submit to these following categories. Late date to submit: February 17, 2023.

1. **PROSE** – Submit an essay of 50 to 250 words on 8.5-by-11-inch paper.
2. **POETRY** – On 8.5-by-11-inch paper, submit a poem of a minimum of 10 lines and a maximum of 30 lines. Poetry may rhyme or be written in free verse.
3. **ARTWORK** – (painting, drawing, scrapbooking, or collage) Any of these mediums can be submitted on no larger than 8.5-by-11-inch paper. Also, include a brief description of the work.
4. **VIDEO** – Videos may be no longer than two minutes. Ensure the file is saved and uploaded as an .MP4, .MOV, or .MPEG format and in Standard Definition.
5. **CONSENT:** Formal consent must be signed by a parent or guardian of every student involved.
6. **AWARDS:** Each first-place winning entry will be awarded \$50.00, and each sponsoring institution of the first-place winners will receive \$50.00. We will send the winning entry to International Holy Cross Family ministries office in USA. For more information contact: Fr. Wilson Andrade, CSC – National Director of Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada. Email: familyministry.canada@gmail.com



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