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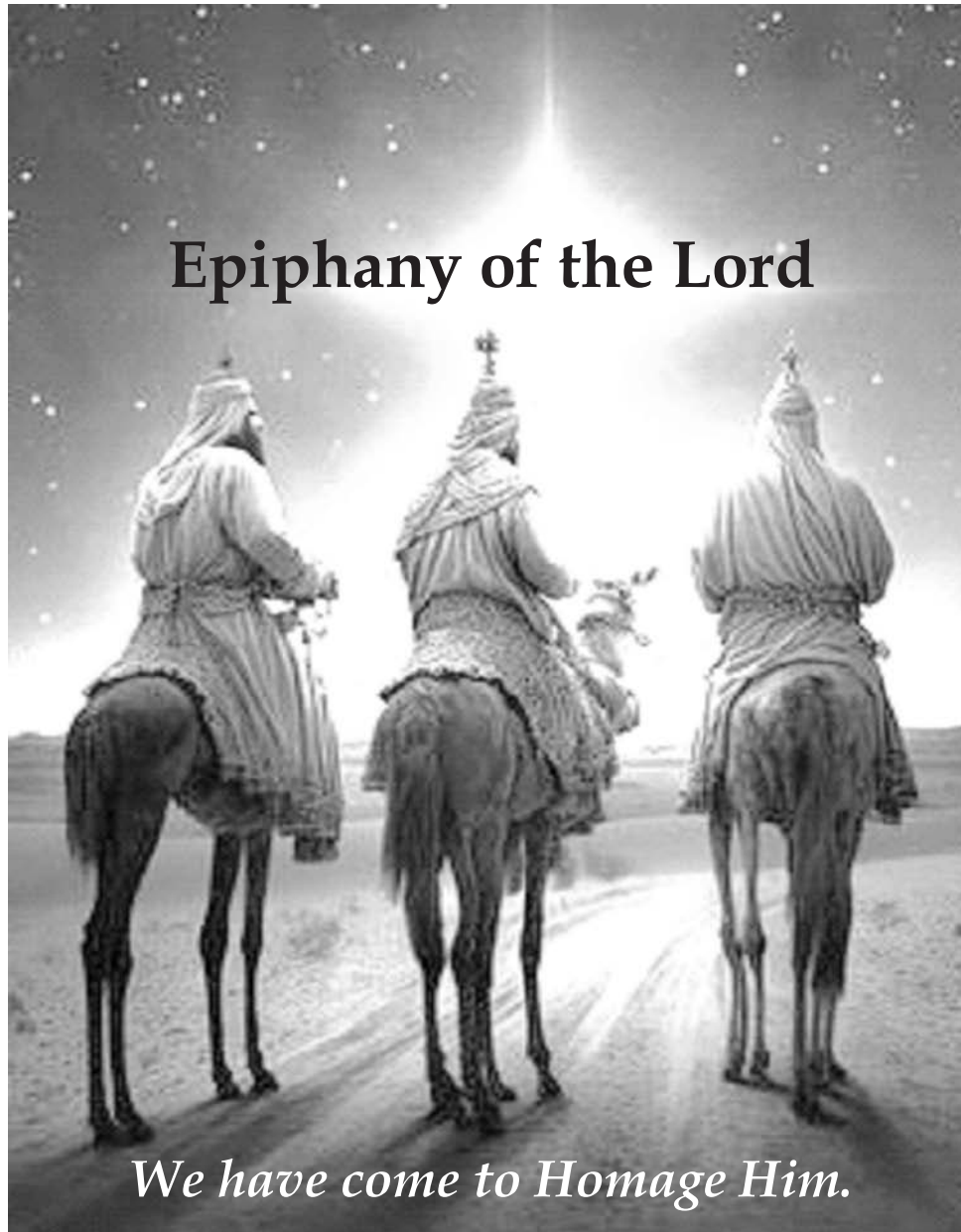
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## **Epiphany of the Lord**

*We have come to Homage Him.*

Epiphany of the Lord  
January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026



Jan 5 to Jan 11

**No Monday Mass**

**No Tuesday Morning Mass**

**Tues 7:00 pm** Audrey Lamrock (Int- Healing)

**Wed 9:00 am** Tobermory – Austin D'Mallo +

**Thurs 9:00 am OS** – Fr. Francis Hubilla (Int)  
**7:00 pm OS** – MaryAnn Kirkconnell (Int)

**Fri 9:00 am** Teresa DiFalco (Int)

**Saturday – January 10**

**9:30 am** Lion's Head – Patricia Rybka +

**11:30 am** Tobermory – Pro Populo

**5:00 pm** Owen Sound:

Cooke Family (Int) Mike Couture +  
Robert Pointon (Int) Rhonda Fairley +  
Pat McMillan (Int) Joan Newcombe +  
Julie Donnell (Int – Healing)  
Mara & Frank Osredkar +

**Sunday – January 11**

**9:00 am OS** – John Rossitter +

**11:00 am OS** – William & Andrienne Scanlon (Int – Healing)

**9:00 am** Chatsworth – For all souls in Purgatory

**11:00 am** Meaford – Don Nicholson +

**9:00 am** Hepworth – Morris & Emily Downs & Descendents

**11:00 am** Wiarton – Doris Bechtel +

**1:00 pm** Cape Croker – Mass

**From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar**

**This week we pray for:**

Mon. Rev. Mark Morley  
Tue. Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen  
Wed. Diocesan Priests  
Thu. Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.  
Fri. Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz  
Sat. Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.

**\* Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the sick:  
Available upon request. Please call the office. \***

**\*Adoration is every Friday starting at 9:30 until 10:30 am\***



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**Meetings**

1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of the month  
Rosary at 6:15 pm  
Meeting at 7:00 pm



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Columbus

**Grand Knight** Adam Helmers  
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**Meetings**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:30 pm  
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519-372-0537

*Prayer Corner:*

A Prayer for Epiphany

God of all Nations,  
your Son born for us all,  
was adored by Magi from distant lands.

Like the Magi we come before the crib  
with our gifts and our lives.

May the gifts of our talents and treasures  
be for the good of all and the glory of your name  
as this new year unfolds.

May the gift of our life  
be a witness of generosity and kindness  
for all are our sisters and brothers.

May the gifts we received and gave this Christmas  
be a reminder to share with those in need  
in all the seasons of this year.

As we adore the Child in the Manger  
we give ourselves and our lives,  
we surrender them to you,  
the Great Gift-Giver.

As we present our gifts  
we humbly ask you to  
gift and bless us with  
hope, peace,  
joy, and love  
today and always.  
Amen.

**Source: Mount St. Francis Retreat**

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for January

**For prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be  
nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our  
communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and  
missionary Church.

***\*In the Parish\****

Scent Free Facilities – Just a friendly reminder that  
all our parish churches are **scent free**. Due to allergies and  
other health concerns of our parishioners, we ask  
that you refrain from using perfumes and other  
strong scents while attending Mass or other  
church functions. We appreciate your  
cooperation.



Sacrament of the Sick - Please contact the parish  
office if someone needs the Sacrament of the Sick. This  
sacrament should be requested when the individual begins  
to be in danger of death due to sickness or old age. Unless  
there is an unforeseen emergency, it is not proper to delay  
this sacrament until the final days or moments of a person's  
life. Ideally, the person should be conscious and able to  
participate in the rite and experience the peace and healing  
that this sacrament confers.

Knights of Columbus breakfast - The Knights of Columbus breakfast takes place this Sunday, **January 4<sup>th</sup>** after both the **9 am** and **11 am** Mass in the parish centre at St. Mary's Church. A donation is appreciated with proceeds going towards K of C projects.



Collective Mass Intentions - Beginning in January 2026, there will be a change in the scheduling of Mass intentions. Our Diocese allows us to offer Masses for multiple intentions. We will begin this in the New Year on **Saturdays at 5:00 pm Mass in Owen Sound**. The Mass can be offered for multiple intentions because each Mass is infinite value and the grace is not "divided" between the intentions, but each intention receives the full benefit of the Mass. When there are multiple intentions, they will all be read aloud at the Mass.



Also, at this time the scheduling and publication of private Masses will be discontinued. These changes will provide more flexibility in the scheduling of Mass intentions and give us the ability to accept more Mass intentions on short notice. If you have any questions, please see the parish office.

Sunday Missals 2025 - 2026 are still available in the parish office during regular office hours. The price is still \$5 each.

2026 Offering Envelopes - Boxed sets of envelopes for 2026 are available now. Please note that we are putting out fewer boxes than previous years; your favourite number might not be available. Please choose any envelope number but be sure to print your name and address on the first two or three envelopes you use.

The snowy weather has arrived again - Please be kind to those who clean the floors of our churches. It would be very helpful if you would stamp the snow and salt off your boots before entering the church. Thank you very much for your help.



**\* In the Diocese \***

The Reel Justice Film Festival - is back with another year of enlightening films and meaningful dialogue! Our lineup for 2026 explores topics of housing insecurity, intellectual freedom, Indigenous rights, and ecological debt. Visit us online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> to view our full event schedule, learn more about our films, and register for screenings. A partnership between the [Bishop Farrell Library & Archives](#) and [Development and Peace](#), the [Reel Justice Film Festival](#) shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

Restart: Moving Forward - Have you experienced a divorce or separation? Are you looking to learn ways to cope, for support from others and to gain a feeling of moving forward? Our 10 week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal or simply learn more. The sessions will run **Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21, 2026** from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration online can be found by going to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

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 be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or visit the website: [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

**For the Sick**, our fellow parishioners, family members and friends who need our prayers: Julie Donnelle, Kennedy Curtis, Sue Paquette, Allan Graff, Les Highfield, Anne Marie Fairley, James Gamble, and Matt Bell. **We pray to the Lord.**



**Donations received the week of Dec 20/21, 2025**

Owen Sound	\$ 10, 042
Sauble Beach	401
Meaford	2, 024
Warton	776
Hepworth	776
Chatsworth	956
Tobermory	177
Lion's Head	<u>364</u>
	\$ 15, 516

*May God bless you for your generosity.*

**Donations received at Christmas and the weekend of Dec 27/28, 2025, were not available at the time of printing.**

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**Matthew 2:11**



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