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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am; 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 pm to 4:45 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 8:30 am
Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 pm

DEVOTIONS

ROSARY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &
Saturday:
@ 8am before morning Mass

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

First Friday: 7:00 pm

ADORATION AND DIVINE MERCY

Every Friday after evening Mass

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Registered parishioners are invited to
pick up a Baptism information package
from the Parish Office.

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Please contact Parish Office for program
start dates.

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Parish Office
ONE year in advance. At least one
party must be a registered and
practicing member of St. Boniface.

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Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners

A very warm welcome to all new parishioners and those who are visiting St. Boniface Parish this weekend.
New parishioners are asked to fill out registration form below and put it in the collection basket or drop-off at office.

PARISHIONER INFORMATION SHEET

MR. & MRS. ☐ MR. ☐ MRS. ☐ MISS ☐ MS. ☐

NAME(S) AND DATE(S) OF BIRTH OF CHILD/CHILDREN:

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First Name(s)

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ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE ENVELOPES?
YES ☐ NO ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CONTACTED ABOUT PARISH INVOLVEMENT?
YES ☐ NO ☐

**ONCE REGISTERED, ENVELOPES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY
ENTRANCE OF CHURCH.**



JANUARY 8, 2023 EPHYPHANY OF THE LORD

CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

REFLECTION

A King to Behold

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Readings:

Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

An "epiphany" is an appearance. In today's readings, with their rising stars, splendid lights, and mysteries revealed, the face of the Child born on Christmas day appears. Herod, in today's Gospel, asks the chief priests and scribes where the Messiah is to be born. The answer Matthew puts on their lips says much more, combining two strands of Old Testament promise—one revealing the Messiah to be from the line of David (see 2 Samuel 2:5), the other predicting "a ruler of Israel" who will "shepherd his flock" and whose "greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth" (see Micah 5:1-3). Those promises of Israel's king ruling the nations resound also in today's Psalm. The psalm celebrates David's son, Solomon. His kingdom, we sing, will stretch "to the ends of the earth," and the world's kings will pay him homage. That's the scene too in today's First Reading, as nations stream from the East, bearing "gold and frankincense" for Israel's king. The Magi's pilgrimage in today's Gospel marks the fulfillment of God's promises. The Magi, probably Persian astrologers, are following the star that Balaam predicted would rise along with the ruler's staff over the house of Jacob (see Numbers 24:17). Laden with gold and spices, their journey evokes those made to Solomon by the Queen of Sheba and the "kings of the earth" (see 1 Kings 10:2, 25; 2 Chronicles 9:24). Interestingly, the only other places where frankincense and myrrh are mentioned together are in songs about Solomon (see Song of Songs 3:6; 4:6, 14). One greater than Solomon is here (see Luke 11:31). He has come to reveal that all peoples are "co-heirs" of the royal family of Israel, as today's Epistle teaches. His manifestation forces us to choose: will we follow the signs that lead to Him as the wise Magi did? Or will we be like those priests and scribes who let God's words of promise become dead letters on an ancient page?



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



JANUARY 7TH TO JANUARY 14TH 2023

- Sat Jan 7th 5:00pm - Thanksgiving for the
Lugos Family
- Sun Jan 8th 7:30am - Protection of Life from
Conception to Death
- 9:00am - Theresa & Jerry Quinn†
- 10:30am - People of the Parish
- 12:00pm - Christos Kourtast
- Mon Jan 9th 8:30am - Chacko Sebastian†
- Tue Jan 10th 8:30am - Souls in Purgatory†
- Wed Jan 11th 7:30pm - Open
- Thu Jan 12th 8:30am - Mary Hughest
- Fri Jan 13th 7:30pm - Oliver Kraust
- Sat Jan 14th 8:30am - Concetta Calvo†; Corrado
Calvo†; Josefina Santost†;
and 44th Wedding Anniversary
of Jose and Ursula Solomon



OUR SICK:

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

ENROLLMENT CEREMONY



The enrollment ceremony for receiving your Confirmation cross is on the weekend of **January 14th/15th, 2023 at all Masses. Please remember to bring your dove.**

The first catechesis session starts on Saturday, January 21st from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the church.

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We pray that your Christmas season was filled with a deep experience of God's love, peace and joy and that your new year is bright with hope.

DID YOU KNOW?

WHAT IS EPIPHANY?

"Epiphany" means "manifestation." It comes from the Greek meaning "to show, to display".



The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Saviour of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee.

In the magi, representatives of the neighbouring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Saviour of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that "the full number of the nations" now takes its "place in the family of the patriarchs", and acquires Israelitic dignitas (is made "worthy of the heritage of Israel") [CCC 528].

MARRIAGE SUNDAY **February 11/12, 2023**



Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage, affirms couples who strengthen our faith community through their witness, and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America. It also honours those who nurture marriage ministries - marriage preparation, enrichment, etc. First celebrated in the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2011, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins designated the weekend prior to the Family Day long weekend in Ontario as "Marriage Sunday". In 2023, Marriage Sunday weekend will be celebrated on February 11/12, 2023.

Celebration of Marriage Mass

As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023. The Mass will take place at **2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing.

The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

Registration closes on February 3, 2023, or until the capacity limit at the Cathedral is reached.

PLEASE PICK-UP YOUR **2023 DONATION ENVELOPES**



SUNDAY OFFERING
ENVELOPES



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