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OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Thu. 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

WEEKEND SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:45 - 10:30 a.m.

4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

BAPTISM

2nd and 4th Sundays at 2:00 p.m.
by appointment.

NOVENA - ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the rectory one Year
in advance of desired date.

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Fr. Hansoo Park, Director Vocations
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Blessed Trinity School 416-393-5289

St. Agnes School 416-393-5345

Secondary Schools

St. Joseph's Morrow Park 416-393-5516

Brebeuf College School 416-393-5508



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 9 8:00 am

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Special Intention

Tuesday, January 10 8:00 am

Paul Chew (Deceased)

Requested by the family

Wednesday, January 11 8:00 am

Beatrice Orlando (Deceased)

Requested by the family

Thursday, January 12 8:00 am

ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS

Mary Margaret Giza (Deceased)

Requested by Louis Lek

Friday, January 13 8:00 am

Yvonne Houston (Deceased)

Requested by her sister

Saturday, January 14 9:00 am

Hope & Peter McDermott (Deceased)

Requested by the McDermott family



Catholic Women's League

Saturday, January 28, 2012

Annual Dinner Dance – 'Winter Gala'

Tickets (\$50.00 per person) are now available and will be sold after Masses on the week-ends of **January 7/8, 14/15, 21/22**. The evening will include a delicious catered prime rib dinner and many door and raffle prizes. You are cordially invited to come and join your fellow parishioners for a fun evening of socializing and dancing to a fabulous mix of music by Ninth Degree. If you would like to donate a prize, please contact Arlene Steger at 905-889-6959, and for tickets you may contact Velma Letterio at 416-226-0590.

Membership Fee for 2012 (\$30.00) is now due. You may renew your membership or join the league after the Masses beginning January 7/8. Also, an envelope with your name, etc. can be left in the CWL mailbox at the church office. For more information, please contact Gisele Hall at 416-223-7826.

Many thanks to all parishioners who generously supported the CWL poinsettia sale.

Vocations – The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Hansoo at 416-968-0997

Email vocations@vocations.ca

Website www.vocationstoronto.ca



Knights of Columbus

General Meeting:

Mon, January 16th at 7:30 pm

Membership Drive:

Sunday, February 5th after all morning Masses

Executive Meeting: Monday, February 6th at 7:30 pm

Retreat for Knights: Saturday, February 18th at Blessed Trinity (details to follow)

General Meeting: Wednesday, February 22nd, 7:30 pm



MEN'S CLUB

North York Retired Men's Club

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 24th at 2:00 pm** in the Blessed Trinity Parish Hall (please note this a corrected date from the 10th). The guest speaker will be Ed Cassavoy on the topic of **"The Future of Newspapers."** All retired men and spouses are cordially invited to attend.

Attention all Confirmation Candidates

Msgr. Sheehy, Fr. Eric Mah, Ms. Maria Agovino will be conducting five Saturday mornings for the candidates from all schools on the following dates:

Place: Blessed Trinity Parish Hall

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Dates: January 21, February 4, February 11,
February 25, March 3, 2012

These mornings are an extremely important part of preparation for the Sacrament.



**School
News**

St. Agnes School Junior Kindergarten Registration

Registration for Junior Kindergarten Class for St. Agnes Catholic School begins **January 9th, 2012**. Please call 416-393-5345 and make an appointment with the school secretary. Registration is between the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. An evening registration will take place on January 19, 2012 between 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Please have the following documents ready: Baptismal record, Immunization record Birth certificate and proof of residence.

Liturgical Latin Symposium – Introduction to Liturgical Latin Part 2 – This course develops a student's understanding of the basic concepts of ecclesiastical Latin with particular focus on the vocabulary, conventions and syntax of liturgical Latin. Classes will be taught at St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Richmond Hill on Wednesdays. For further information, please call 905-884-1784 or email liturgical.latin@live.ca



SOLEMNITY
EPIPHANY
OF THE LORD
Sunday, January 8TH

"Today, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, the great light that radiates from the Cave of Bethlehem inundates all of mankind through the Magi from the East. The first Reading, taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah; and the passage from the Gospel of Matthew, which we just heard, juxtapose the promise and its fulfilment in that particular tension noted when reading passages from the Old and New Testaments in succession. Following the humiliations undergone by the people of Israel at the hands of worldly powers, the splendid vision of the Prophet Isaiah appears before us. He sees the moment when the great light of God that seems powerless and incapable of protecting his people will rise to shine on all the earth so that the kings of nations bow before him, coming from the ends of the earth to deposit their most precious treasures at his feet. And the heart of the people will tremble with joy.

Compared to this vision, the one the Evangelist Matthew presents to us appears poor and humble: it seems impossible for us to recognize in it the fulfilment of the Prophet Isaiah's words. In fact, those who arrived in Bethlehem were not the powerful and the kings of the earth, but the Magi, unknown men, perhaps regarded with suspicion, and in any case, not deemed worthy of special attention. The inhabitants of Jerusalem learned of the event but did not think it worth bothering about. Not even in Bethlehem did anyone seem to take any notice of the birth of this Baby, called King of the Jews by the Magi, nor about these men who had come from the East to visit him. Soon after, in fact, when Herod made it clear that he was effectively the one in power forcing the Holy Family to flee to Egypt and offering proof of his cruelty by the massacre of the innocents (cf. Mt 2: 13-18) the episode of the Magi seemed to have been disregarded and forgotten. It is therefore understandable that the hearts and souls of believers throughout the centuries have been attracted more by the vision of the Prophet than by the sober narration of the evangelist, as the Nativity scenes also show where there are camels, dromedaries and powerful kings of the world kneeling before the Child, laying down their gifts to him in precious caskets.

..... Let us therefore ask him to give us a heart that is wise and innocent, that allows us to see the Star of his mercy, to proceed along his way, in order to find him and be flooded with the great light and true joy that he brought to this world. Amen."

Pope Benedict XVI, January 6, 2010



BAPTISM
OF OUR LORD
Monday, January 9th

"At the beginning of a new liturgical year, the Church's liturgy reintroduces John the Baptist, the forerunner of

Christ. During Advent, we hear St. Luke's Gospel account of the angel Gabriel announcing to Mary that her cousin Elizabeth, already advanced in years, is with child. We travel with Mary into the hill country to visit her cousin. At the entrance to Zachariah's house, Elizabeth greets Mary as "the mother of my Lord," and the child in Elizabeth's womb leaps for joy, even as Mary utters her song of praise, the Magnificat, woven together from the strands of God's Word.

Elizabeth's child – John the Baptist – later preaches a baptism of repentance, baptizes Christ, "the giver of baptism," in the Jordan River, and dies a martyr's death. Liturgically, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated at the conclusion of the Christmas season, just after the Epiphany, when Christ was revealed as "a light of the nations". In fact, the Church's tradition links the Epiphany, the Baptism of Christ and the wedding feast at Cana as manifestations of the eternal glory of God's Son.

Perhaps this insight contributed to Blessed Pope John Paul II's decision to add to the rosary the mysteries of light, which pertain to Jesus' public ministry, beginning with his baptism and extending to his passion and death. In these events, Christ is shown as "the light of the world".

As John Paul II put it, "Each of these mysteries is a revelation of the Kingdom now present in the very person of Jesus".

In preaching a baptism of repentance, John the Baptist prepared the way for "the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world". Although Jesus had no sins to repent, he came to the Jordan River and asked to be baptized, accepting the full dimensions of human sinfulness in fulfillment of his Father's saving will. The words of St. Paul come to mind: "He emptied himself, taking the form of slave ... and found in human appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even death on a cross". Here, Jesus revealed the true glory of the God who is love, the God who loves us with an utterly generous passionate love.

As Jesus descended into the waters of the Jordan, the heavens opened and the Father declared him to be his beloved Son. The Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus, bestowing on him the mission for which he was sent. Thus was Jesus revealed as "the refulgence of the Father's glory, the very imprint of his being". He was shown, as we pray in the creed, as "God from God, light from light, true God from true God." In this mystery of light, we profess Jesus as "the light of the world," which the darkness could not overcome."

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