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Epiphany of the Lord



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this first day of the calendar year, we thank God for the opportunity to step into this brand new 2022! To him be praise, honor, glory and adoration now and forever. Today also, we celebrate the feast of Mary Mother of God, who is ever ready to intercede for us before the throne of the Almighty. Let us enter into this new year with hope and joy. Let us renew our commitment to live entirely for God and things of God. Let us be ready for the challenges that this new year may bring. Let us resolve to allow Christ to lead the way in all we do or say. May his peace, love, joy be with us. May he protect, guide, guard and direct our ways throughout this year and the next Amen!

Happy new year to all of you!

Fr Emeka

NEW STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



We would like to thank a number of parishioners, who over the past year have donated beautiful new stained glass windows to our Church.

St. Patrick – Donated by Pat Berdnikoff, in loving memory of the Grace and Berdnikoff families.

Loaves and Fishes – Donated by the Donegan family, in loving memory of Mary and Lawrence Donegan.

Lamb – Donated by Anna Moncion McLennan, for The Moncion Family.

Celtic Harp – Donated by Ann Moran, in loving memory of the Moran and Minnelli Families.

St. John the Apostle – Donated by Mike and Karen Lavoie, in loving memory of the Harrington and Lavoie families.

Sacred Heart of Jesus – Donated by St. John the Apostle Church, in appreciation to Fr. Lindsay Harrison.

DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY 6TH – PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

Parish Memorial Mass The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass for **Thursday, January 6th, 2022**, at 7:00 pm. This Mass is dedicated to all the deceased members from our parish who passed away in **2021**, as well as parishioner family members who died during this past year.

There will not be in-person attendance due to restricted seating capacity in the Church and to comply with public health requirements. Candles will be lit on behalf of the deceased by members of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League. The candle can be picked up from the parish office any time after January 10th. The Mass will be live-streamed and will also be available for viewing on our website after the ceremony.

From September to December, we welcomed into our parish family through the saving waters of baptism:



Kaylani Ybanez Grande

Jett Peter Bergin

Grayce Daisie Peters-Gallone

Oliver D'Arcy Withers

Anthony Dean Rogers

Leni Cameron Guterrez

Kahri Amarachukwu Onwuachi

Theodore Liwance Rodrigues

Norah Ilene Kelly

Samy Joseph Awad

Michael Hayden Khan

Chris-Nathan Fosso

Johanna Ngalula Tshienda

Joella Michaelle Ngoya Tshienda

Joseph Mundele Beya Wa Tshienda

May God's graces and blessings be with them as they grow in wisdom. We congratulate their parents.

The Parish Office is closed and will re-open Tuesday, Jan. 4th at 9am



SUNDAY SMILE

The young father took a seat on the bus next to an elderly man and plopped his one-year-old on his lap, just as the little boy began to cry and fidget.

"That child is spoiled, isn't he?" the old man remarked.

"No," said the dad. "They all smell this way."



Sharing our Christmas is the name of our Christmas Assistance program. Funds raised are used to help families in need at Christmas. Through your generosity, **\$11,020.80** was raised this year! The funds will be split between the Pinecrest-Queensway Community Food Bank and Health Centre and The Caring and Sharing Christmas Exchange program. Thank you again for your incredible generosity. God bless all of you!

Notice for Parents – Re: Sacraments

Parents of children in the Public School System and children who are homeschooled are asked to please call the parish office to register for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. 613-829-1760.

Intentions of the Holy Father - January

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

New envelope boxes for 2022 are ready for pick up in the Glass house. Please help us by filling in your name and address on your envelopes for the first few weeks of 2022. Boxes can also be picked up at the Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9am to 3:30pm.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Jan. 1st – 10:00am

✠Eleanor Dineen by the family

✠Alejandro Vinluan by Susan Vinluan

Benefit of Polly and Al Metcalfe by Joanne Parenteau

Sun. Jan. 2nd – 8:00am

✠John Alexander Burnett by Jamie Burnett

Intentions of Father Emeka by Joanne Parenteau

Sun. Jan. 2nd – 10:30am

For the intentions of our parishioners.

Tues. Jan. 4th – 9:00am

For the intentions of Ted and Mary Ellen Reeler on their 35th Wedding Anniversary

Fri. Jan. 7th – 9:00am

✠Marthe Dubroy by Des Dubroy

Sat. Jan. 8th – 5:00pm

✠Peter Garvey by the family

Sun. Jan. 9th – 10:30am

For the intentions of our parishioners.

✠ indicates deceased



We would like to thank the many volunteers who gave of their time and talents these past 18 months and who continue to do so. Without you we would not have been able to celebrate masses and keep the Church going during this pandemic. All parishioners owe you a deep gratitude. You have been a shining light through these dark times. God bless you all!

Volunteers always needed!

No experience necessary ☺

We are always looking for new volunteers to help out at the side entrance during masses. Commitment time is minimal and flexible. If you are interested, please contact the parish office, 613-829-1760.



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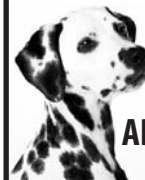
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