

# Sunday, January 2, 2021



*“And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.”  
- Mt 2:6*



### Monday, January 3, 2022

8:15am: + Peter Quyet

### Tuesday, January 4, 2022

8:15am: + Deceased Members of Foss

7:00pm: + Josie Caliccilio

### Wednesday, January 5, 2022

8:15am: + Antonio & Aurelia Fagundes & Maria Nunes

### Thursday, January 6, 2022

8:15am: + Tony Texeira

### Friday, January 7, 2022

5:00pm: + All Souls In Purgatory

7:00pm: + Ana Luis & Joaquiun Sobrinho

+ Maria Florecita Ben

+ Connie Camilleri

+ Maria Loan

+ All Souls

### Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:15am: + Lawrence & Celestine Vaz

5:00pm: + Lucy Wheeler

### Sunday, January 9, 2022

8:30am: + Pietro Madalena

10:00am: + Vitandrea & Maria Magistrale

12:00pm: + Gino Palumbo

# Epiphany of our Lord



In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: “Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.” Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, “Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God’s love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being.” Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important. We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

## 2022 Envelopes

2022 Envelopes are ready for pick up in the parish hall. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

### OFFICE HOURS

Jan 3 CLOSED

Jan 4 9am-1pm

Regular Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-

12pm, 3pm-6pm, Sun 9am-1pm



Regular Mass Schedule resumes on Monday, January 3, 2022. Happy New Year!



### Parish Website

StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org

### Email

StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org

### Youth Website

stpatriksyouth.com

**Please Pray for the Sick...**

*Please pray for our parishioners, family and friends who have requested our prayers:*

Alessia & Tony Commisso, Tina MacPherson, Alex Romero, Damien Chaytor, Humberto Casimiro, Charmaine Menezes, Maria Bizzaro, Thomas Chircop, George Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Evelyn Cletus, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Wilfredo Ticzon, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Joe Aguanon, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Dianne Ouellette, Anna Iafrate, Doreen Micallef, John Kolozsvari, Geleong Apong, Dominic Alvia



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
**THANKS YOU!!!!**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you all for contributing generously to our Christmas Collection and responding enthusiastically to the Christmas Gift Tree! The funds and donations collected will support our work throughout the coming year in responding to calls from those in need within our parish community. Many thanks to the staff and students of John Cabot High School, Philip Pocock High School, St. Edmund, S. Thomas More, St. Vincent de Paul and St. Teresa of Calcutta; our organizations: Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League and the St. Patrick's Youth Group— Many thanks to all of you! We wish each of you God's blessings in 2022! Thank you for your continued support!

**REMINDERS: WEEKLY MASS**

A reminder that weekly Mass Registrations opens every Tuesdays approx. 10am.

The link will be posted on the parish website approx. 10am on Tuesday.

The email with the link to register will also be sent at the same time.

If you do not receive the email within 5-10 minutes, please feel free to check the parish website as the links will be posted there.

Our website: [StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org](http://StPatricksMI.archtoronto.org)

Thank you! - Parish Staff

**Online Prayer Group (via Zoom)**

Please join us **Monday evenings at 7:00pm for an hour of Prayers & Reflections** via Zoom.

Zoom meeting link and reminders will be emailed through our distribution weekly on Mondays.

**Note:** When logging on, you will need this passcode: **196792**.

We will continue to celebrate Jesus' birthday, with recitation of the Holy Rosary.

Jan 3—Joyful Mystery in honour of His Mother—Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

For more information, please

Email: [stpatrickmiss.olprayergroup@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickmiss.olprayergroup@gmail.com)

**Parish Cookbook!~**

For those who missed the opportunity, the cookbooks will be available for sale (\$20.00) in the parish office OR can be ordered via email at [stpatrickmis.cwl@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickmis.cwl@gmail.com) OR please call Peggy Kennedy at 905-279-5608. Please note the parish office only accepts cash or cheques. Thank you!



**Live the Liturgy**

Inspiration for the Week

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.