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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Jan 8	Tues	8:15 am	All Souls in Purgatory	Ostojic Family
Jan 9	Wed	8:15 am	Ruel and Edu - <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Gutierrez Family
Jan 10	Thurs	8:15 am	Anna Kyung Im †	Helena Lee
Jan 11	Fri	8:15 am	Anna Hugo – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Anna Hugo
Jan 12	Sat	9:00 am	Vasili Spyropoulos	Marie Anderson
		5:00 pm	All Parishioners	
Jan 13	Sun	9:30 am	Alice Campbell †	Margaret Moreau
		11:00 am	Carl D'Souza – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	D'Souza Family
		7:00 pm	Noel Dela Cruz †	Elena & Ligaya Dela Cruz



Offertory December 25 & 30, 2018

December 25: \$7,034.90
 December 30: \$4,016.35
 PAG-December: \$1,943.00

Thank you for your continued support!

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting (Every Monday)

December 17, 2018 • Church Hall • 7:30pm–9:30pm

Food Drive: Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

Every 2nd Sunday of the month.

2019 Parish Offertory Envelopes Distribution

Until the end of January 2019 • Church

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

January 26, 2019 (Saturday) • Church • 10:30am

First Holy Communion:

Family Gathering - Session 4

February 24, 2019 (Sunday) • Church Hall • 10:15am

By always turning your eyes on our Lord in meditation, your whole soul will be filled with him.

St. Francis de Sales

Epiphany of the Lord



“They set out; and there ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its

rising” – towards the place of the child who had been born king of the Jews. When the star stopped, the wise men were “overwhelmed with joy.” They entered the house and saw “the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.”

We have heard this story many times. This would be the time, when our children were young, that we would bring out the tiny camels and the wise men and place them in our Nativity crèche. It would be the last act of our Christmas story. In a few days, the small figures and other decorations still up from this joyous season would be carefully put away for another year.

Astronomers debate whether the star marked the arrival of a comet, a super nova or possibly a rare celestial conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn. Theologians note that only Matthew records the story, and some suggest it is a pious fiction designed to integrate older writings into the birth narrative of Jesus.

Question abound but the essential messages remain. For Paul, it is the mystery now “made known to humankind.” Isaiah urges rejoicing: “Arise, shine, for your light has come.” The Epiphany reveals that Christ now had come among us all.

Michael Dougherty

Excerpt from the Living with Christ



Altar Servers Schedule January 12 & 13, 2019

Saturday 5:00 pm	Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Michael Orillanes	Isaiah Odejobi	Ryan
Sunday 9:30 am	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.	Sean Quinagon	Arnold Carandang	Cheraldine Carandang
Sunday 11:00 am	Catherine Dipasupil	Jann & Jarred Ybarola	Matthew Guzman	Giann
Sunday 7:00 pm	Cerniel Cruzada	Cailean Cruzada	Joshua	Kirsten

2019 Parish Offertory Envelopes



Dear Parishioners,

For those who have not yet picked up the 2019 Offertory Envelopes, please do so in order that you can start using them now.

The last pick up date will be **January 31, 2019**.

Please take note:

- (1) Some of the assigned envelope numbers **have changed** especially those who had **envelope #376 and onwards in 2018**. Be sure to double check your name on the box.
- (2) Please **do not use** envelopes from **previous years**.
- (3) If you have a **change in address or telephone number**, please notify us. We will need your new address for the issuance of your Income Tax Receipt.

Are you new in the Parish?

If so, please take a moment to register by filling out a Registration Form located in the foyer and place it in the offertory basket.

Kindly provide us with the complete information so that the Parish Office will then contact you.

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A heartfelt thanks to all Parishioners who gave me cards, gifts and treats this Christmas Season. I appreciate your generosity and thoughtfulness.

I am also grateful to those who organized, prepared food and for all who attended my send-off party.

*Fr. Roselle*

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**A Very Warm Welcome**  
to

**Rev. Fr. Godofredo (Freddy) Claudio**  
as our new Parish Administrator in our Parish Community.

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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019
January 18-25, 2019

January 18-25, 2019 marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme: "*Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue*" is taken from Deuteronomy 16:20.

Together we agree with the Church that *prayer is the soul of the ecumenical movement*. This is a primary reason why the Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity remains an uncompromising value.

Come and join us in an ecumenical prayer service led by Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox bishops along with Leaders from Christian Churches in GTA.

Sunday, January 27, 2019

4:30 p.m.

St. James Anglican Cathedral

(at King and Church Streets)

Organized by:

Greater Toronto Area Christian Council of Churches (GTACCC)

Refreshments to follow.

For further information, please contact:
The Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs Office at
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