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Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fr. Godofredo R. Claudio, Pastor Administrator

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 7:00 pm

Morning Prayer:

Tuesday thru Friday 8:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 am
Saturdays & Holidays: 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
First Friday 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm
For any other time by appointment only

First Fridays:

Holy Hour: 6:00 pm
Mass 7:00 pm

Baptism:

By appointment and after an interview with the parents.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor one year in advance.

Care of the Sick:

Please call the parish to request visitation of the sick or elderly - for prayers, Holy Communion, Sacrament of the Sick.

New Parishioners:

Welcome! Please ask for a registration form in the vestibule of the church or at the parish office.

Holy Cross School

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SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Mass Intention for	Requested by
Jan 15	Tues	8:15 am	Bridgette Cummings†	Joseph Cummings
Jan 16	Wed	8:15 am	Luisa Bautista† and Constancio Bautista, Sr.†	Elvira Simpson
Jan 17	Thurs	8:15 am	Claudette Wilson – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Claudette Wilson
Jan 18	Fri	8:15 am	Lorraine Marshall	Joseph & John Cummings
Jan 19	Sat	9:00 am	Teresita Que – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Ted & Manette Santos
		5:00 pm	All Parishioners	
Jan 20	Sun	9:30 am	Marcelino Asares† & Crisanta Sotto†	Rosario Tan
		11:00 am	Maggie Mathias†	Louis Matthias
		7:00 pm	Kelly Family – <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Elena Manuel



Collections from January 5 & 6, 2018

Offertory : \$3,522.95
 Renovation : \$712.30
 Solemnity of Mary : \$1,198.25

Thank you for your continued support!

Upcoming Events

Al-Anon Meeting (Every Monday)

Jan. 14, 21 & 28, 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

Baptism of the Lord



Today the Church celebrates the *Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord*. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called *Theophany* because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in *three persons*. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved men to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the "substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "*Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world*".

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

Excerpt from Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

Pastor, Catechetical Author & an internationally known Theologian
CatholicCulture.org, Minneapolis



**Altar Servers Schedule
January 19 & 20, 2019**

Saturday 5:00 pm	Angeline & Angelo Beltran	Michael Orillanes	Isaiah Odejobi	Ryan
Sunday 9:30 am	Ruel Gutierrez, Jr.	Arnold Carandang	Cheraldine Carandang	Maryrose Sabio
Sunday 11:00 am	Andre & Martina Flores	Christine Dipasupil	Bernadette	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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 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
416-934-3400 ext. 344 or 527 or
ecumenical@archtoronto.org

The Feast of Blessed Basil Moreau

Sunday, January 20, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.
St. Ann Parish, 120 First Avenue, Toronto

Join us to celebrate the Feast of Blessed Basil Moreau, founder of the Congregation of Holy Cross, at St. Ann Parish. We will celebrate with a Festive Mass, Presentation on the life of Fr. Moreau and veneration of the Relic of Blessed Moreau.

A formal reception (*costs \$10*) will be held after the liturgy. Please contact St. Ann's office for reception tickets. All are welcome.

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