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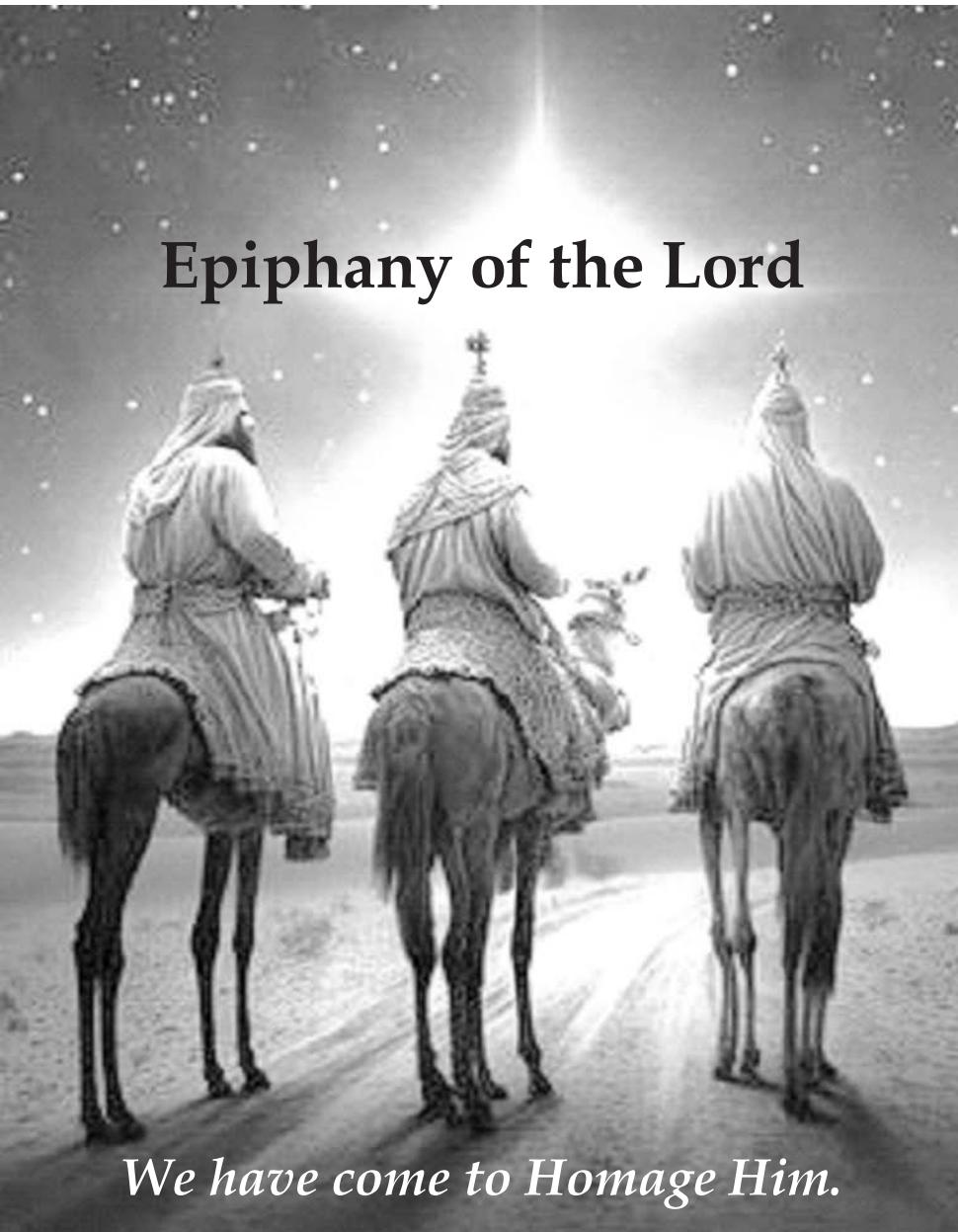
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Epiphany of the Lord

A black and white illustration depicting the Three Magi (the Three Wise Men) on camels. They are shown from behind, wearing traditional robes and tall, pointed hats. The camels are standing on a path under a dark, star-filled sky. A bright, glowing light source, representing the Star of Bethlehem, is visible in the upper center of the sky, casting a soft glow on the scene.

*We have come to Homage Him.*

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

JANUARY 5-11, 2026

Monday, January 5th

No Mass

Tuesday, January 6th

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Wednesday, January 7th

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Thursday, January 8th

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Friday, January 9th

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Saturday, January 10th

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, January 11th

10:00am—Pro Populo

12:00Noon— Pro Populo

5:00pm (Tagalog Mass) - Pro Populo

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Let us pray!



We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the forgotten members in our community and those who love and minister to them.

**Thank You for Your Financial Support**

If you are unable to join us for mass at this time please consider the options of either through our Pre-Authorized Giving Program, or an electronic donation by credit card through the "Donate Now" button at the top right corner of the Archdiocese of Toronto website. For information, Please call the parish office at 416-787-4547.

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**Sunday Reflection.....**

The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.



The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . . " The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

**SO MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR!**

**THANK  
YOU**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who helped make our Christmas celebrations meaningful, prayerful, and spirit-filled. Thank you to all who served in various ministries, offered their time and talents, prepared the church, assisted in the liturgy, supported behind the scenes, and participated with faith and devotion. Your dedication and generous service have truly enriched our community's celebration of the birth of our Savior. May God bless you abundantly for all that you have done.

A big thank you to those who organized our Simbang Gabi and sponsors every Masses who prepared foods for fellowship and those who donated flowers for our sanctuary during this Christmas and the priests who celebrated Masses.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff for their tireless service, generosity of spirit, and faithful commitment to our community.

Finally, we thank our **parishioners and families** for your participation, prayers, generosity, and joyful spirit.

May the Lord reward your goodness, bless your service, and deepen our unity as a parish family. May the peace and joy of the Christ Child remain with you and your loved ones.

*Christ's Joyful Peace & Love, - Fr. Lorenzo Salandan*

# The Epiphany of the Lord



## Viva! Pit Senor

### Sto. Nino

Sunday, January 18th, 2026  
at 5:00pm Mass

Please bring your own Sto.  
Nino statue to be blessed

**Everyone is welcome to attend!!!**

## Donating Securities to the Archdiocese of Toronto

Please include the following announcement in the parish bulletin for a couple of weeks. One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is the gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and an increased support of various archdiocesan charities such as your Parish, ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary and others. For further information, contact the Development Office at [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org).



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## COFFEE SUNDAY !!!

"The Coffee time Ministry will resume their coffee time after the 10 am mass, on January 11th, 2026 Please come and join us at the basement hall after the mass for fellowship.

## HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED?

Please notify the Parish Office if your mailing address, email address, phone number has changed in the past year. We require current mailing address, so that you will receive your charitable donation tax receipt in the new year on time.

Please contact the office at **416-787-4547** or [olassumptionto@archtoronto.org](mailto:olassumptionto@archtoronto.org)

*The devotees of Black Nazarene are inviting everyone to join us as we celebrate*

## THE FEAST OF BLACK NAZARENE

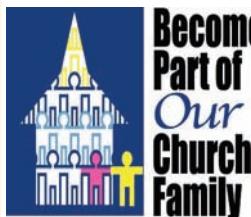
On Sunday January 11, 2026

Procession will start at 4:30 pm inside the church followed by Tagalog mass at 5pm.

Food will be served after the mass



## We give a heartfelt welcome to all new parishioners!



In order for us to better serve you, especially at the time of baptism, marriage, or funerals, it is most helpful if you are registered and attending mass regularly here with our parish community. This is especially IMPORTANT for marriage and baptism preparation.

All parishioners especially those who live outside of our parish boundaries are expected to complete the Parish Registration and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. If you are already a registered member, but you need to update your registration information, please email your full name along with the changes to [olaparishtoronto@rogers.com](mailto:olaparishtoronto@rogers.com). If you're interested in becoming a registered member of the parish, please complete and submit the form available at the foyer or please call the parish office at 416-787-4548..



## Vocation Reflection ...

Brothers and sisters, the Church needs holy and joyful priests. If you are a young man who feels a stirring in your heart to serve God and His people as a priest, do not be afraid. This may be the Lord calling you. We invite you to pray, to listen, and to speak with our parish priest or the vocations director. Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 968 0997. Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## PARISH SACRAMENTAL SESSIONS BEGIN



**FIRST COMMUNION - Face to Face Session**  
January 13, 2024 at 10:00am-12:00noon  
in the Parish Hall



**CONFIRMATION—Face to Face Session**  
January 13, 2024 at 2:00pm-4:00pm  
in the Parish Hall

## PILGRIMAGE INVITATION



Destinations: AUSTRIA, CZECHIA, GERMANY, POLAND AND HUNGARY Visiting: Vienna, Prague, Dresden, Poznan, Our Lady of Lichen Sanctuary, Black Madonna of Czestochowa, Divine Mercy Sanctuary, Krakow, Wieliczka, Auschwitz, Kalwaria Zebrzydowska and Budapest.

Under spiritual guidance of Rev. Lorenzo Salandanan, Pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Toronto, ON. Tour Coordinator: Ms. Patricia Martyn, 416-629-0350, [pmartyn132@gmail.com](mailto:pmartyn132@gmail.com).

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