

Epifania del Signore – 7 gennaio, 2024



Messe della Settimana Mass Intentions

Martedì - Tuesday, January 9

7:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Evaristo Tucci

†Giovanna Ongaro

Mercoledì - Wednesday, January 10

7:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Memorial Mass - Nicola Pirone

Giovedì - Thursday, January 11

9:00 a.m. - Santa Messa

†Giovanna Caterina Lisena

†Raffaele Vito Lisena

Venerdì - Friday, January 12

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

9:00 a.m. - Santa Messa

†Teresina Aiello

7:00 p.m. - †Memorial Mass - Marcella Alonzi

7:45 p.m. - Memorial Mass - Francesco Galluzzo

Sabato - Saturday, January 13

5:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Pro Populo

Domenica - Sunday, January 14

9:00 a.m. - Santa Messa

†Domenico Bada

11:00 a.m. - Holy Mass

†Vince Gagliardi

†Amanda Bertolone

†Gianluigi Bertolone

†Gisella & Nadia Lijoi

†Anthony Mossa

St. Fidelis Golden Age Club

Programs Resume

Bingo: Monday, January 8 @ 1:00 p.m.

Mani D'Oro: Tuesday, January 9 @ 9:30 a.m.

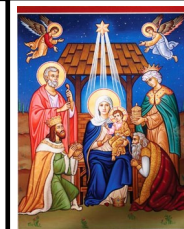
Canto: Thursday, January 11 @ 1:30 p.m.

Exercise: Friday, January 12 @ 1:30 p.m.

All are welcome.

For more information please call

Mary Chiaverina @ 416-244-3686



The Epiphany, also known as Three Kings' Day, is a Christian feast day that celebrates the revelation of God in His Son as human in Jesus Christ. The word epiphany comes from the Greek word meaning "manifestation." The feast also commemorates the visit of the Magi to the Christ child, and thus Jesus' physical manifestation to the Gentiles. The Wise Men – Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar – were the first people outside of the stable to come and pay homage to Jesus. These unlikely royal visitors showered Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, herbs typically used for burial, possibly foreshadowing Jesus' destiny. The Epiphany not only signifies the calling of the chosen few, like the Wise Men, but it also is an invitation to anyone and everyone around the world to follow Christ. For the first time, God was physically present for people on Earth through His Son, no longer just a voice in the wilderness.

L'Epifania, nota anche come **Giorno dei Tre Re**, è una festa cristiana che celebra la manifestazione di Dio in Gesù Cristo.

Il termine deriva dalla parola greca che significa "manifestazione". La giornata commemora i Re Magi - Gaspare, Melchiorre e Baldassarre - che visitarono il bambino Gesù, rappresentando la manifestazione fisica ai gentili. Questi visitatori reali portarono doni di oro, incenso e mirra, possibilmente prefigurando il destino di Gesù.

Il rischio corso dai Magi nel seguire la stella fino a Betlemme riflette la chiamata cristiana a fidarsi del piano divino nonostante le incertezze. L'Epifania non solo mette in luce i prescelti, come i Re Magi, ma invita le persone di tutto il mondo a seguire Cristo, poiché segna la presenza fisica di Dio sulla Terra attraverso Suo Figlio per la prima volta, andando oltre una semplice voce nel deserto.

Estate Planning Presentation

From a Catholic perspective **on Sunday, January 21st at 12:10 at St. Fidelis Parish.** Attend to find out:

- How to avoid problems:
 - ✦ in your **Will**
 - ✦ with the **Powers of Attorney &**
 - ✦ through proper **Estate Trustee** selection
- How to create your personal Catholic legacy
Register by email StFidelisTO@archtoronto.org
or by phone: 416 247 8741

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 7, 2024



St. Marguerite Bourgeoys - Friday, Jan. 12

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (17 April 1620-12 January 1700), was a French religious sister and founder of the Congregation of Notre Dame of Montreal in the colony of New France, now part of Québec, Canada. Born in Troyes, she became part of a religious guild, ministering to the poor. She was recruited by the governor of Montreal to set up a convent in New France, and she sailed to Fort Ville-Marie (now Montreal) in 1653. She and her congregation educated young girls, the poor, and children of First Nations until shortly before her death in early 1700. She is significant for developing one of the first uncloistered religious communities in the Catholic Church. Declared "venerable" by the pope in 1878, she was canonized in 1982 as the **first female saint of Canada**. Her feast is celebrated on January 12th. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, pray for us.

Santa Marguerite Bourgeoys

(17 aprile 1620 - 12 gennaio 1700) fu una religiosa francese e fondatrice della Congregazione di Nostra Signora di Montreal nel Québec, Canada. Originaria di Troyes, fu scelta dal governatore di Montreal per stabilire un convento nella Nuova Francia, arrivando a Fort Ville-Marie nel 1653. Lei e la sua congregazione educarono giovani ragazze, i poveri e i bambini indigeni fino alla sua morte nel 1700. Canonizzata nel 1982, **è la prima santa femminile del Canada**. La sua festa si celebra il 12 gennaio. Santa Margherita Bourgeoys, prega per noi.

Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Francis Leo – “Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things”

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto, entitled, “Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things”. This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and our collective efforts to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese. The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: www.archtoronto.org.

Accessibility Project Update

We are delighted to announce the completion of our long-awaited accessibility project.

The accessible washroom is now open for public use. Both entrance doors to the church and the door connecting the church to the office section are now power-operated. Additionally, a new battery-powered door has been installed between the gym and the church. Please note that this door will generally remain closed, except during gym programs following church events.

A sincere Thank You to everyone who contributed tirelessly to the success of this project: Grant Caven from Perfect Square Company, Fr. Shibil (Former Pastor) for initiating the project, Finance Committee Members and Mary Chiaverina for their timely advice and suggestions. Special recognition is given to Mr. Paolo Pivetta, the Architect, and Finance Council Member, for his unwavering dedication and commitment to the project's success. These improvements signify a significant step forward in creating a more accessible and welcoming space for our community.

Aggiornamento sul Progetto dell'Accessibilità

Siamo lieti di annunciare la conclusione del nostro progetto dell'accessibilità. **Il bagno accessibile è ora aperto al pubblico.** Entrambi la porta d'ingresso alla chiesa e la porta che collega la chiesa con gli uffici sono ora azionati elettricamente. Inoltre, è stata installata una nuova porta alimentata a batteria tra la palestra e la chiesa. Si prega di notare che questa porta rimarrà generalmente chiusa, tranne durante i programmi in palestra dopo gli eventi della chiesa.

Un Grazie sincero a tutti coloro che hanno contribuito instancabilmente al successo di questo Progetto: Grant Caven, da Perfect Square Company, Fr. Shibil (ex pastore) per aver avviato il progetto, ai membri del Comitato Finanziario e a Mary Chiaverina per i suoi consigli e suggerimenti. Un riconoscimento speciale va a Paolo Pivetta, l'architetto e membro del Consiglio Finanziario, per il suo impegno e dedizione al successo del progetto. Questi miglioramenti rappresentano un passo significativo verso la creazione di uno spazio più accessibile e accogliente per la nostra comunità.

Sacramental Update - Attention please!!!

The fourth **Confirmation class** is scheduled for **Thursday, January 11th, at 7:00 PM.**

The fourth **First Holy Communion** class is set for **Saturday, January 13th.**

Sunday Offertory: December 31st, 2023: \$4,117.05

Thank you for your support!