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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday - 9:15 a.m. Wednesday and Friday - 7:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY

One hr. after the 9:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses. Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. & 4:15 p.m. Other times upon request.

BAPTISMS

By appointment only. At least two month advance notice. Attendance at a pre-baptism class is required for parents. You may wish to attend this class before your child is born.

CARE of the SICK

Visitation and/or communion for the sick upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must contact a priest one year in advance. A Marriage Course is required. If either party has been previously married, the Bishop's Office must be consulted before a date may be set.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Mr. Cyril Moraes R.C.I.A. Co-ordinator Mrs. Arlene Morgan Sacramental Facilitator

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Operated by the Archdiocese of Toronto, each Catholic cemetery is a visible sign of our belief in the resurrection which offers a comforting atmosphere in which our Catholic Faith is celebrated and our love for family and friends is remembered. Burial services include ground burial, mausoleum crypt entombment, cremation as well as monuments and markers.

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Sunday, January 7

8:00 AM – For the intentions of the people of St. Anne's

10:00 AM – † Nicola Maramieri

12:00 PM - † Victor Bartholomeuz

Monday, January 8

9:15 AM – Ashton & Teresa (In thanksgiving & in petition)

Tuesday, January 9

9:15 AM - † Teresa Cottreau

Wednesday, January 10

9:15 AM – Ashton & Teresa (In thanksgiving & in petition)

7:00 PM - † Maria & Eduino Dutra

- + Arestedes Igliane
- † Luisa Covino

Thursday, January 11

9:15 AM – Ashton & Teresa (In thanksgiving & in petition)

Friday, January 12

9:15 AM – † Luis Miguel, parents & siblings

7:00 PM - Ashton & Teresa (In thanksgiving & in petition)

Saturday, January 13

9:15 AM – Ashton & Teresa (In thanksgiving & in petition)

5:00 PM - † Bertie Prince



Lamp Intentions

LAMP NO. 1:

In Thanksgiving – Romano Family

LAMP NO. 2:

In Thanksgiving – Romano Family

SACRED HEART:

Special Intention

ST. ANNE LAMP:

In memory of Teresa Cottreau

DIVINE MERCY:

Louisa Zumpeta

PADRE PIO:

Special Intention

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD:



Gospel of Matthew 2.1-12

How many times have we heard a child say at night before they go to bed, "will you please leave the light on" or even an adult say 'please leave the porch light on"

I always turned on the light when my child or grandchild asked, because I understood. I still do.

I know what it is like to want a light to guide me through the darkness of life, a light that offers peace in the midst of anxiety, a light that will shine in the night times of life. I am sure you know about that too. Regardless of our age we are all looking for the light that shines in the darkness of our world, a light that will lead us beyond the borders of our life to a new country, a light that illumines the night skies of our life with hope, peace, and a new promise. That is, what kept the wise men in today's gospel watching the night sky. They were seeking and yearning to encounter the ultimate transcendent.

They did not just happen to see the star in the sky one night. They "observed [the] star at its rising." They were watching, searching. They saw it rise and in its rising, they heard its call to follow. These astrologers teach us something about faithfulness. Often faithfulness in the night means simply watching and waiting, hoping, looking and searching, trusting and knowing that the darkness is not the final reality, that light will shine through the darkness, and the darkness can never overcome the light.

That light which we all seek and yearn for is Jesus Christ.

The night sky is always about faith. Regardless of our differences we all share in that dark night of the sky. It is in the dark background of our life that Jesus' presence is felt. It is His life, His light, and His love that illuminate our way and change our life. It is the one light that makes all the difference in the world; not because the world is changed but because we are changed in Him, through the work of the Holy Spirit.

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Mt. 2:11)

When we experience the epiphany light, we can do nothing but open up the treasure chest of our lives. Nothing is held in reserve. We give to Christ all that we are and all that we have. We surrender all to Him. God has appeared in humanity. The treasure chest of humanity is now filled with divinity and awe; it's time to return to our "own country."

Epiphanies are not an escape from home but rather a return back to where we came from. Like the wise men we leave for our "own country by another road." The old road can't get us there. We can no longer speak, act, or think in the same old ways because we are not the same old person. We have seen the glory of God face to face. Emmanuel, God is with us. Jesus, He is the Word and a lamp unto our feet. He is the Light of the world. Before His manifestation we were blind to the light, we lived in great darkness, but in Him through Him and with Him there is no fear or darkness at all.

We cannot see nor can we find what we are seeking in the darkness; we may stumble on it but fail to recognize it. It is only through the Light of Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit that we can truly stay on The Way, understand The Truth and become His Light.

Praise be to You Lord Jesus Christ.



MANDATORY USHERS & GREETERS TRAINING Saturday, February 17 – 10 AM – 12 Noon

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it" (Hebrews 13:2).

Are you currently helping to show hospitality to all God's people who come into the church as an usher? If you are, please join us on February 17 at 10AM in the Stephenson room for a training session put on by the Archdiocese of Toronto's Office of Formation and Discipleship. New members and those that signed up at the Harvest your Talent weekend are also welcomed to attend.

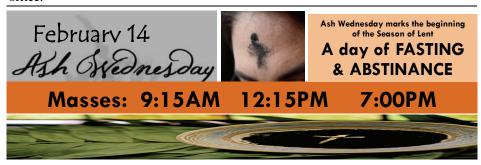
MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2018

On Saturday, <u>February 10 at the 5PM Mass</u>, there will be a special blessing at St. Anne's Church for those couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, 50 or 60 years of marriage this year. If you are celebrating one of these milestone anniversaries and are interested in attending, kindly leave your contact information at the parish office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES

Saturdays, March 10, 17 & 24, 2018 (1:30-4:30 p.m.)

St. Anne's will be holding a Marriage Preparation course in the Stephenson Room on the above dates. The fee is \$250 per couple. Please register early at the parish office.





BIBLE STUDY

During Lent, St. Anne's will be hosting 6 sessions of Bible Study by Rev. Dr. Joseph Lazar on the Passion Narratives. It will take place every Thursday from Feb. 15 to March 22, 2018 at 7 PM in the Stephenson room. In order to prepare, we are asking those interested to please sign up at the parish office.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION - FEB. 25 - 28TH @ 7 PM

Msgr. Pat Stilla will be leading a Parish Lenten Mission at St. Anne's. Topics include:

- 1. How to read, understand & interpret the Bible as Catholic
- 2. How can the Church annul marriages if Catholic marriage is an unbreakable union
- 3. How can I achieve balance and happiness in my spiritual life, work life and family life.

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Monday, January 8

7:00 PM Legion of Mary (F/R) 7:00 PM CWL Exec. Mtg. (S/R)

Tuesday, January 9

10:00 AM Legion of Mary (F/R)

7:00 PM RCIA (P/R)

7:00 PM Youth Band & Choir practice (C)

7:30 PM Faith Sharing (F/R)

8:00 PM 8AM choir practice (S/R)

Wednesday, January 10

10:00 AM -12:00PM Food Assistance (F/R)

10:00 AM Screening – (Form. Office)

6:30 PM Confessions (C)

7:00 PM Legion of Mary (F/R)

7:30 PM Baptism class (S/R)

Thursday, January 11

9:30 AM Centering Prayer Group(F/R)

7:30 PM 10 am choir practice (C)

Friday, January 12

9:30 AM Over 55 (S/R)

7:00 PM Edge &Tiny Treasures (All rooms)

Saturday, January 13

8:00 AM Confessions (C)

10:30 AM Memorial Mass (C)

4:00 PM Confessions (C)

7:00 PM Holy Family Cenacle (F/R & S/R)

6:00 PM LifeTeen (P/R)

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