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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

A Light to the Nations

The first reading. speaks of a great light that will shine upon Jerusalem, a light that will attract nations and kings. This imagery of light and glory not only embodies the physical manifestation of God's presence but also symbolically represents the dawning of a new era.

The gifts mentioned in the prophecy, interestingly prefigure the gifts that the Magi will offer to Jesus. This connection between the prophecy and the event of the Epiphany bridges the Old Testament expectation with the New Testament fulfillment, indicating the universality of Jesus' mission. The reading from Isaiah sets the stage for understanding the significance of the Epiphany as not just a historical event but a divine appointment that fulfills ancient prophecies.

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul speaks of a mystery made known to him by revelation – a mystery that Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and partakers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. It emphasizes that the salvation brought by Jesus Christ is not limited to a particular group but is available to all humanity.

The Gospel account of Matthew for the Feast of the Epiphany is particularly striking in its depiction of the visit of the Magi. The star that guides the Magi symbolizes the divine light leading the nations to Jesus. In contrast to the powerful and paranoid King Herod, the infant Jesus embodies a different kind of kingship – one that is humble, vulnerable, and yet, paradoxically, a threat to the established political power.

The Feast of the Epiphany, through its readings, invites us to reflect on the universality of Jesus' mission and the radical nature of God's kingdom. It calls us to recognize the light of Christ that shines for all peoples and to embrace the transformative power of this revelation in our lives and communities.

Today's reflection is attributed to young-catholics.com



Saturday, Jan. 6, 2024 **St. André Bessette**
 8:00am Deceased & living of Rimbao & Fermin Family
 1:00pm *CHILDREN'S ROSARY*
 6:00pm Special intentions for Kevin O'Marra

Sunday, Jan. 7 **Epiphany of the Lord**
 8:30am Special intentions for Diane Lima
 10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
 11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
 1:00pm Special intentions for Helen Stroz
 4:00pm Thanksgiving from Isabelle Pereira
 6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

Monday, Jan. 8 **St. Raymond of Penyafort**
 8:00am + Walter Rzeszowski
 7:00pm Thanksgiving for Clare Nasato

Tuesday, Jan. 9
 8:00am + Maria Han
 7:00pm + Felice Marano

Wednesday, Jan. 10
 8:00am Thanksgiving Roohie Pedro
 6:00pm *Novena in honor of Mother of Perpetual Help*
 7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

Thursday, Jan. 11
 8:00am + Nicole Fortin
 11:00am SENIORS' MASS
 7:00pm + Dionisio, Julieta & Joao Carlos Pacheco

Friday, Jan. 12 **St. Marguerite Bourgeoys**
 8:00am + Jeanne Gaudette
 7:00pm + Annaliese & George Geibler

Saturday, Jan. 13 **St. Hilary**
 8:00am + Rocco Oppedisano
 6:00pm Thanksgiving for Nida Pedro

Sunday, Jan. 14 **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:30am + Joseph Cletus
 10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
 11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
 1:00pm + Anthony Almeida
 4:00pm Special intentions for Terry Blanchette
 + Franco Stumpo
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JANUARY 7, 2024

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL

A través de la página de Internet de nuestra parroquia pueden participar virtualmente de nuestras celebraciones eucarísticas:

<https://stcatherineofsienami.archtoronto.org/> Debe presionar sobre el logo Mass - Live Stream "**FAMILIA MISIONERA**". Reunión de formación y oración, todos los viernes a las 7:30pm en el salón parroquial "Zanon". Es una oportunidad para crecer, afianzar, dar a conocer y defender la Fe siguiendo las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica.

"**GRUPO DE RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA**". Igualmente todos los viernes a las 7:30pm en el salón parroquial "Scalabrini" tenemos asamblea de oración y alabanza. Bienvenidos a todos los que deseen participar en estos encuentros.

"**ROSARIO Y EUCHARISTÍA**". Todos los domingos a las 5:30pm. tenemos el rezo del Santo Rosario y en seguida a las 6:00pm la celebración eucarística en Español. Después de la misa, generalmente tenemos nuestro tradicional "Café de la amistad", en el salón parroquial "Scalabrini". Esta es una oportunidad para compartir y conocernos mejor como comunidad Hispana.

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PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

January: For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

THANK YOU to those who contributed to the Christmas celebrations. Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and gifts.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY on Saturday, January 6th at 1:00pm in church.

RCIA program will resume January 8, 2024.

SENIORS Starting January 2024, the Seniors' Mass will be the second Thursday of the month. On Thursday, January 11th at 11:00am, Mass in Church followed by potluck fellowship in the Main Hall.

BIBLE STUDY will resume January 16, 2024 at 7:30pm in person in Zanon Hall or on Zoom, ID 836 4620 6928 Password 388125. The Bible Timeline will continue.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. Please register early since reserved seating is limited. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

LIVESTREAM LINK:

<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org | 416-934-3400 ext. 523

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We invite everyone to register in the Parish

PRE-CANA Six Sessions of Marriage preparation course starting February 16 to April 5, 2024. Please contact the office.

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