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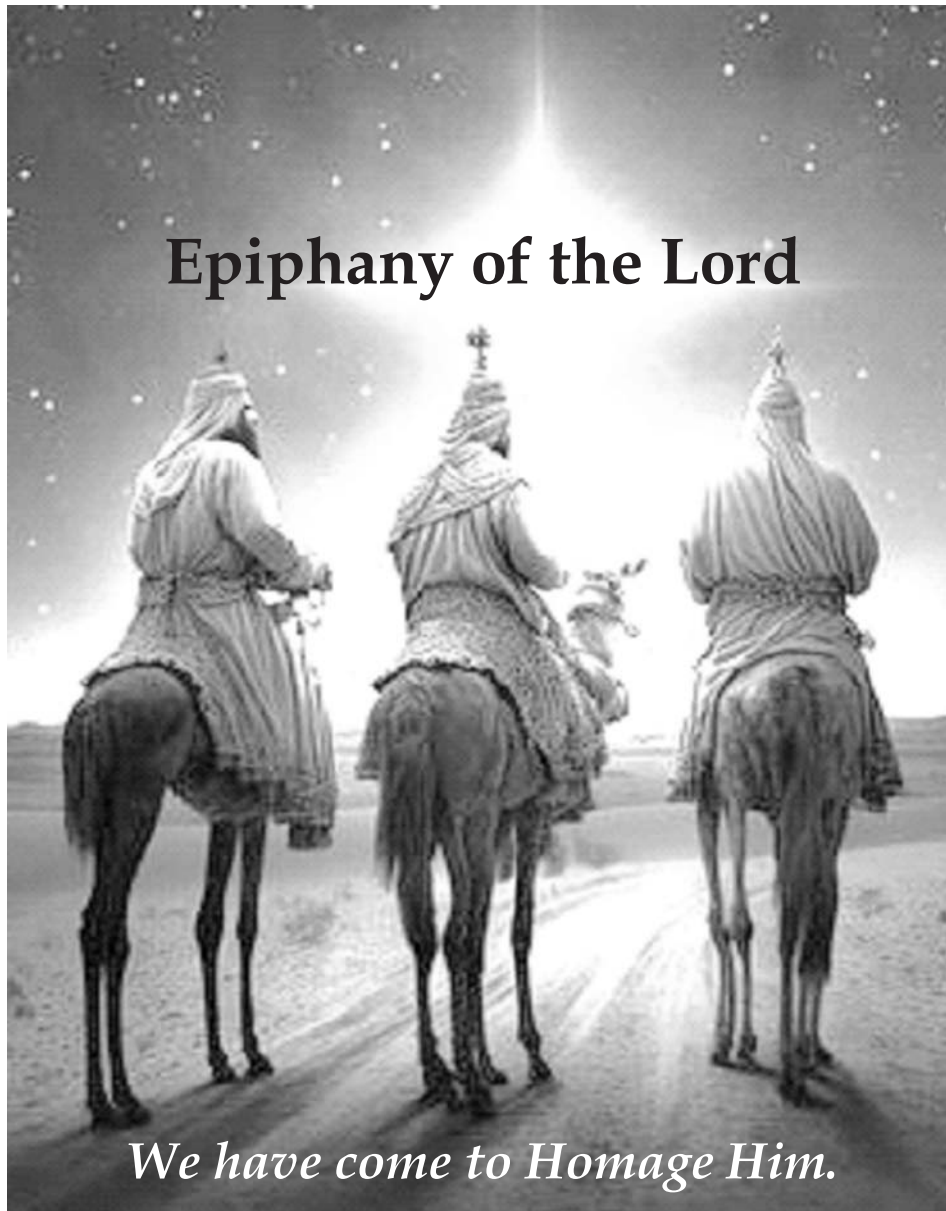
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Epiphany of the Lord



We have come to Homage Him.

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2026

They Fell down and Worshiped Jesus

"Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for bringing salvation to all the nations. May the gospel of salvation be proclaimed to every nation today and to every person on the face of the earth. Help me to be a good witness of the joy of the gospel to all I meet." Amen.



MONDAY, January 5 – 7:00PM

S.I. Tessie Angulo

TUESDAY, January 6 – 8:30AM

† Michael Pegg

WEDNESDAY, January 7– 7:00PM

Mass Intentions Available

THURSDAY, January 8 - 8:30AM

S.I. For married couples and those preparing for marriage.

FRIDAY, January 9 –7:00PM

† Natividad Deposo

† Rudy Coros

SATURDAY, January 10 – 5:00PM

† Maria & Ernesto Marchiori

† Kelvin Haynes

SUNDAY, January 11– 8:30AM, 10AM & 12 PM

The Baptism of the Lord



- **Bridge Club:** Every Monday, 1pm –3:30pm – Resumes January 5, 2026
- **The Men of St Francis:** Every Saturday 8am-10:00AM, in the Parish Hall Resumes January 10, 2026.
- **The Legion of Mary:** Every Wednesday 5pm – 6:30pm, in the Parish Hall.
- **Senior Ladies of St. Francis:** Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1pm – 4pm Resumes January 13, 2026 in the Parish Hall.
- **IN the Church:**
- **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Every Friday at 3PM
- **Holy Hour:** Every Friday at 6PM.
- **Confession:** Every 2nd & 4th Friday at 6:15PM -6:45PM and every Saturday, 4PM – 4:45PM.



Registration is now open for the **2026 Lift Jesus Higher Rally!** The theme this year is **No Greater Love**, drawing from John 15:13: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Join the powerful lineup of speakers - Ralph Martin, Peter Herbeck, Sr. Mary Gabriel S.V., Pete Burak, and Katey and Steve Norman for a day of encouragement, encounter, and empowerment.

Tickets are on sale now at www.ljhr.ca!

We look forward to seeing you at the **Metro Toronto Convention Center** on March 14th!



following.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN for children in **JK to Grade 3** during the 10am mass this weekend **and every other Sunday**

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

"Millions of Monicas" is a group of mothers who come together to lift up our children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith. Like St. Monica, we pray for their joyful return to full unity with the Catholic Church. We will be holding this special prayer service every 1st Wednesday after the 7 pm mass. Whether you are a mother, a grandmother, aunt or a godparent, we encourage you to join us in prayer for our children's return to the Catholic Church. **See www.stirlingcross.ca for the 2026 dates or check with the Parish Office.**

HELPING OUR NEIGHBOURS IN NEED

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting non-perishable food items after Masses the weekends of **January 17/18 and 24/25**. Our collected food will be delivered, sorted and stocked by the Knights at **Eden**

Food for Life, our neighbourhood food bank serving those in need in our very own Erin Mills community. Thank you for your support.



Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat – February 27 – March 1, 2026 at St. Augustine's Seminary

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, February 27 at 6:30pm until Sunday, March 1 at 2pm. This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration can be done online at **www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee** For more information, please email **vocations@archtoronto.org**.



2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

Offertory envelope boxes for 2026 are available at the back of the church. Please take a box and **PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS on the envelopes you use in the month of JANUARY 2026.** Just as a reminder we cannot issue tax receipts without this information.

If you would rather make your regular offerings through **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)**, kindly complete a PAG Form, which are available at the back of the Church and return to the Office.

Do NOT use your 2025 envelopes in the New Year.



2025 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS

2025 is coming to a close. All donations you wish to include for your 2025 Tax Receipt must be received no later than **December 31, 2025**. If your home address or telephone number have changed, please send us an email at **stfrancisofassisi@archtoronto.org**.

Thank you for your continued support!

Friars Student Writing Contest 2026 (November 3, 2025, to January 12, 2026)

Theme: *"The gifts he gave were for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."* (cf. Eph 4:13)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to submit a 450-500-word essay and should consult the resources of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 at **<https://bit.ly/WPCU2026>**. Entries can be submitted at: **<https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>**. For further information, please contact **ecumenicalandinterfaith@archtoronto.org** or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527.

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2026

Sunday, January 18, 2026, 4:00 p.m. EST

Venue: Runnymede United Church, 432 Runnymede Rd, Toronto, ON M6S 2Y8

Theme: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the hope of your calling" (Ephesians 4:4)
Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations and the GTA Council of Christian Churches.

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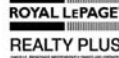
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