Immaculate Conception R.C. Church

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Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

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SUTTON - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	Jan 9	8:30am: +Frederick Goodrham req. Rose Sheppard
Wed.	Jan 10	8:30am: + Padre Oscar Scoroza req. Irma
Sat.	Jan 13	5:30pm: Parishioners
Sun.	Jan 14	8:30am: +John Dzamba req. Ethel Dzamba



Give your sorrows to the Lord and find peace in His love. We are praying for the families and friends to have comfort and feel God's grace in their lives every day.

Let us be united in prayer with family and friends of **Johnny Cutrone** who passed on December 23, 2023 and whose funeral was held on December 29, 2023 and **Joyce O'Keefe** who passed on December 26, 2023 and whose funeral was held on December 30, 2023. May they Rest in Peace!

Children's Liturgy Sunday January 7, 2023

8:30am in Sutton 10:30am in Keswick



SANCTUARY LIGHT:

The red lamp near the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the real and living presence of Christ, and is a profession of our faith, love and affection.

We would like the Sanctuary Lamp to be burnt in memory of our loved ones, or to honor our special occasions such as anniversaries of birth, weddings, death, etc. in both churches for a week with Our Lord who is present in the Tabernacle. If you want you or your intension to be part of the burning candle, please contact the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is \$15.00.

If you have not received your **2024 church envelopes** (at the back of the churches) and or like to be registered at our parish please contact the parish office. Thank you.

CWL Meeting Reminder January 27, 2024 at 7 pm in Sutton



KESWICK - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Thurs.	Jan 11	8:30am: +deceased Sbrolla family member's req. Michael and June Scandiffio
Fri	Jan 12	8:30am: +Bill Crawford req. Crawford Family
Sat.	Jan 13	4:00pm: +Mark and Elizabeth Stephens req. Lima
Sun.	Jan 14	10:30am: +Anthony Reda req. Elvia, Dino & Lucy

PAG December\$3397.26Weekly Collection December 23/24\$2658.60Christmas Collection December 25\$7241.95

Thank you very much for your continues and generous support

January 8: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. "When the Solemnity of the Epiphany is transferred to Sunday, if this Sunday occurs on January 7 or 8, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the

following Monday (Third Roman Missal). This feast brings to an end the season of Christmas. Ordinary Time lasts from the day after this feast to the Tuesday before Lent.

The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes. *Catholic Culture*



MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2024:

Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, February 11 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Those wishing to attend are asked to register online: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or information @archtoronto.org. If you can't attend, join the livestream at: https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/.



On the same weekend we will also have a special marriage celebration mass at both our churches in all the four masses.

All couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitments during these masses in our parish.

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

In-person event: Week of Prayer for Christian **Unity Prayer Service 2024**

Sunday, January 21, 2024 04:00 - 06:00 PM at St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral 455 Ferrier St, Markham ON L3R 5Z2. Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. In this annual celebration we are reminded that the unity of the Church is both a gift of the Holy Spirit and a task for all Christians.

This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches (GTACCC). All are welcome to attend.



Give yourself the gift of a joyful marriage!



Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. By learning the tools of healthy communication, you can build greater intimacy. Retrouvaille is Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all

faiths. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. January 19-21 2024 in Mississauga. For more information call 437-234-5610 or visit Torontoretrouvaille.com

Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2024

First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 **Responsorial Psalm** Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13 Second Reading Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6 **Gospel Reading** Matthew 2:1-12



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.

Vocation Seeds

Epiphany - January 7, 2024 The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org

