Immaculate Conception R.C. Church

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Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

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Feast of the Epiphany

SUTTON - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS				KESWICK - MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS			
Tues.	Jan 7	7:00pm: +Mark & Elizabeth Stephen	Thurs. Fri.	Jan 9 Jan 10	7:00pm: 8:30am:		
		req. Lima Uthemavadu	Sat.	Jan 11	4:00pm: +Gregor	-	
Wed.	Jan 8	8:30am:			req. Dzisiak Famil	-	
Sat.	Jan 11	5:30pm:	Sun.	Jan 12	10:30am: Parishi	oners	
Sun.	Jan 12	8:30am: Parishioners (Pro Populo)			(Pro Populo)		
The sanctuary light in Sutton burns this week			The sanctuary light in Keswick burns this week				
The Catholic Church has a long tradition of offering			Parish Loan Weakend Collection (Dec 20/21)		\$18,500.00		
The Catholic Church has a long tradition of offering Masses for special intentions and for the repose of the			Weekend Collection (Dec 20/21) Weekend Collection (Dec 28/29)		\$3,127.26 \$3,814.40		
souls of the faithful departed.			Christmas Offering		\$5,382.45		
Whenever a priest celebrates Mass, he has at least two specific intentions: the first is to offer the Mass				December	0	\$3,411.26	
reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church; the second is to apply the grace of that Mass				<u>Gluten-Free Hosts</u> Available at Communion. If you have health			

toward a specific need or intention. These second intentions are often requested by the lay faithful for things like the repose of the soul of a loved one, those who are ill, someone celebrating a birthday or anniversary, or in thanksgiving of something. When a person requests a Mass, a small stipend is usually given, but the priest will offer a Mass for an intention even if someone does not have the money for it.

If you would like to request a Mass (\$20) or to dedicate the sanctuary light (\$15) for someone, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2025 Sunday, January 19, 2025, 4 pm

Venue: North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7 **Theme:** "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26) Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto) and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches and celebrates the 1,700th anniversary of the Ecumenical Council of Nicaea.

<u>Thank you, Parishioners</u> We had wonderful Christmas celebrations at our parish. Without our amazing and dedicated volunteers, it would not have been possible to have our parish shine with decorations, lights, music, and a beautiful Christmas play. Everyone who helped with the variety

restrictions that prevent you from consuming a regular

Communion. Please talk to Father Dunstan or Deacon

host, you may request a special gluten-free host at

Steve. Thank you.

Christmas play. Everyone who helped with the variety of ministries, shared their time, talents and hard work with profound commitment is very much appreciated.



A special thanks to the Douglas Family for their dedication and creativity in presenting us with a wonderful Nativity play for Christmas.

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The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, January 5, 2025



It might feel like the holiday season is behind us, but we're not quite done with the Christmas season yet today is **Epiphany**, a day set aside to commemorate God's revelation to the world through the person of Jesus Christ.

Epiphany is celebrated on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. The feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord commemorates when Jesus Christ was revealed as the Messiah. The Gospel of Matthew recounts that three wise men from the East visited our Saviour after His birth and acknowledged Him with gifts representing kingship, priesthood, and death. The Feast of the Epiphany highlights key themes in the story of Jesus and the visit of the Magi. These themes help us understand the importance of Jesus' birth and His mission for all people.

Jesus as Light: Jesus is the light that shines in the darkness. He guides all people to God.

Universal Mission: Jesus came for all nations and people. His salvation is not limited to one group. **Fulfillment of Prophecy:** Isaiah's prophecy about light and gifts is fulfilled in Jesus. The gifts of the Magi show this connection.

Humility and Kingship: Jesus is a humble king. He shows true power through love and gentleness. Inclusiveness: Paul teaches that both Jews and Gentiles share in Jesus' promises. The Epiphany shows that everyone is included in God's plan.

Guidance of the Star: The star leads the Magi to Jesus. This shows God's guidance to all who seek Him.

Gift-Giving: The Magi bring gifts to honour Jesus. This shows recognition of His kingship and divinity. **Contrast with Herod:** Herod's fear and violence contrast with Jesus' humble birth. This shows the difference between earthly and heavenly kingship.

These themes remind us of the rich meaning of the Feast of the Epiphany. They invite us to reflect on Jesus' mission and our role in spreading His light. *Young Catholics*

CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY

North York Catholic in Recovery is a non-profit organization seeking to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments (including alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction) Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected.

Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. St. Roch's Parish 2889 Islington Ave., PHONE: 289-541-8188 EMAIL: <u>cirstroch@gmail.com</u>

WEBSITE: https://www.catholicinrecovery.com

CONGRATULATIONS

We express our appreciation and prayerful wishes to **Patrick Douglas** who is moving to the newly established position in the archdiocesan chancery as the Director to the newly established Office of Social Care and Community Outreach, beginning **January 1**, **2025**. He is responsible for social care and community outreach, including advocacy related to life issues (abortion, palliative care and euthanasia), humanitarian needs (migrant workers, human trafficking, poverty, shut-ins, homelessness and addictions), religious freedom and other human rights, creation (ecological and environmental stewardship), Indigenous Peoples, racism and discrimination, prison ministry (restorative justice) and the economy.

We are wishing Patrick the divine guidance as he embarks on his journey and a new ministry. May God bless him.

Regional Masses & Celebrations

The Archdiocese of Toronto invited a Jubilee church to host a regional celebration to focus our attention on the Jubilee Year as a faith community. These celebrations will take place as follows with receptions after Mass:

Western Region

Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 7 p.m.

St. Mary's Parish, Brampton

Northern Region

Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 7 p.m.

St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg **Eastern Region**

Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 7 p.m.

St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough

Central Region

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 7 p.m.

St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York

