

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 6th, 2018, 5:00PM

†Mary Lea Jordan By her son Jack  
†Souls in Purgatory By Adeline Doyle

### Sunday, January 7th, 2018, 10:30AM

†Mary Armstrong by the Armstrong Family  
Birthday Blessings for Marilyn Mendoza

### Tuesday, January 9th, 2018, 7:00PM

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### Wednesday, January 10th, 2018, 7:00PM

†Felomina Cancio by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordoná ..

### Thursday, January 11th, 2018, 9:00AM

†Julian Lagman by Maria Garcia..

### Friday, January 12th, 2018, 9:00AM

†Loreto P. Concepcion by Gloria Mamangun and her children..

### Saturday, January 13th, 2018, 5:00PM

†Patrick & Josephine Doyle By Adeline Doyle..

### Sunday, January 14th, 2018, 10:30AM

Birthday Blessings for Angela Choi

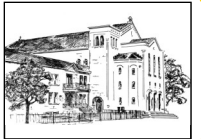
#### **We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick**

Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Adrienne Coombs, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Rita Riley, Beverly Fender, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, Joey Walsh, Johnny Palisoc, Myrna Bolofer Go, Jennifer Parsons, Gordon Parsons, Carmen Al Fudhaili, Temperance Miriam Browning, Bernard Fournier, John & Wendy Keating, Peggy & Eddy Wargachuk, Carmen Lapello, Eddie Rodgers, Terry & Liz McHugh, Dale Flood, Isabel McKeever, Virginia Feledick, Brenda McCambridge, Maureen O'Brien, Polly Storey, Justin Occhionero, Hugo Diaz, Teresita Rosales, Evelyn and Arthur Gilchrist Sr.

**God is with you always.**

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## **January 7, 2018—Feast of Epiphany**

### **"They fell down and worshiped Jesus"**

**Meditation:** If Jesus truly is who he claims to be, the eternal Son of God and Savior of the world, then why is he not recognized by everyone who hears his word and sees his works? John the Evangelist states that when Jesus came into the world *the world knew him not and his own people received him not* (John 1:10-11). Jesus was born in obscurity. Only the lowly shepherds recognized him at his birth. Some wise men also found their way to Bethlehem to pay homage to the newborn King of Israel. These men were not Israelites, but foreigners. They likely had read and discussed the Messianic prophecies and were anxious to see when this Messianic King would appear. God led them by means of an extraordinary star across the desert to the little town of Bethlehem where Jesus was born.

John Chrysostom (347-407 AD), in his homily on this passage from Matthew 2, explains the significance of the star of Bethlehem:

"Note how fitting was the order of events: the wise men saw the star, were received by the Jews and their king; they heard prophecy to explain what had appeared; the angel instructed them; and then they journeyed from Jerusalem to Bethlehem by the guidance of the star. From all this we learn that this was not an ordinary star, for no other star has this capacity to guide, not merely to move but to beckon, to "go before them," drawing and guiding them along their way. The star remained after bringing them to the place, in order that the child might also be seen. For there is nothing conspicuous about the place. The inn was ordinary. The mother was not celebrated or notable. The star was needed to manifest and illumine the lowly place, until they had reached their destination at the manger." [*The Gospel of Matthew, Homily 7:3*]

In their thirst for knowledge of God, the wise men from the East willingly left everything, their home and country, in pursuit of that quest. In their diligent search they were led to the source of true knowledge - to Jesus Christ, the Light and Wisdom of God. When they found the newborn King they humbly worshiped him and gave him gifts fitting for a king.

The Lord of the universe who revealed the star of Bethlehem to the Gentiles of the East so they could come and worship Jesus, the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6) and King of Kings (Revelations 19:16), gives each one of us the same light of revelation to recognize and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. It is through the help of the Holy Spirit, who moves the heart and opens the eyes of the mind, that we are able to understand, accept, and believe the truth which God has revealed to us through his Son, Jesus Christ. In faith, the human will and intellect cooperate with grace. "*Believing is an act of the intellect assenting to the divine truth by command of the will moved by God through grace*" (Thomas Aquinas)

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**Pastor**  
Fr. Gregory Nunez  
**Office Staff**  
Anastasia Wargachuk  
**Administration**  
Dec 9-10, 2017—\$969.80  
Dec 16-17, 2017—\$917.00  
Dec 23-24, 2017—  
\$3,101.15  
Dec 24-25, 2017(Christmas  
Eve and Christmas day)—  
\$687.15  
Dec 30-31, 2018—\$716.60  
Dec 31, 2017-Jan 1, 2018—  
\$2,092.70

**Mass Schedule**  
Saturday @ 5:00 pm  
Sunday @ 10:30 am  
(incl. Children's  
Liturgy)  
Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)  
Wed @ 7:00 pm  
Thursday & Friday  
@ 9:00 am  
Adoration Fridays  
9:30am to 11:30am

**Birthdays/Anniversary Blessings to**  
all Parishioners who are celebrating this week.  
  
**Thank You to**  
◊Fr Nick Revilla, for presenting us with a very interesting talk on the subject of making logical decisions  
◊Mike, Ann, Merly, Ruth and all the volunteers who worked in the rectory and in the Church.  
◊generous benefactors for their extra-ordinary donations, for the maintenance of the parish, included in the collection

**Intinction**

Communion from the cup by drinking is the preferred method of receiving the cup because it is a fulfilment of the Lord's command: "Take and eat; take and drink." Jesus often spoke of drinking during his ministry: "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day..." (Jn. 6.54); "Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?" (Mt. 20.22); etc. *Instruction on the Extension of the Faculty to Distribute Communion Under Both Kinds* states that "among the ways of distribution drinking from the chalice itself has pre-eminence." The practice of intinction as permitted in liturgical law is not the way it is generally practised in parishes. There is *no* permission for the individual communicant to take the host and then dip it into the blood of Christ. If communion from the cup by intinction is to be practised, it is the minister who dips the host into the consecrated wine and then places it on the tongue of the communicant. The communicant, in this case, is not free to receive communion in the hand or to refrain from receiving under the form of wine. In addition, intinction conflicts with a return to the use of bread which resembles ordinary bread. Intinction is also discouraged because the danger of spillage is greater than it is during drinking. As the individual dips the host into the consecrated wine and then places it on his or her own tongue, there is a chance that the Blood of Christ may drip from the host or bread. If this were to happen with several communicants, a noticeable amount would be spilled. Proper catechesis of the faithful on this question should be carried out and repeated periodically.

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**Collection Envelopes**

The collection envelopes have arrived they will be at the back of the Church for pickup. If you would like to receive collection envelopes, contact the rectory or place your contact information on a temporary envelope, in the the collection basket.

**Mass will be celebrated in Cameron Hall**

All are welcome to join us on the second Saturday of each month, when we will be celebrating the 5:00PM Mass in Cameron Hall (Basement). This is to make Mass more accessible for people with mobility issues and have trouble climbing the stairs. It will be followed by a Spaghetti Supper. For more information, please contact the rectory, at 514-769-9678

**Dates for faith formation and Formation for lay people**

**Thursday Bible Study and Catholicism** Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory, followed by Catholicism 7:15PM

**Lectors and Lay Ministers Meeting:** Sunday, Jan 14, 2018, following the 10:30am Mass.

**Acolytes:** Saturday, Jan 13, 2018, at 9:00AM

**Faith in the family:** The next faith in the family will be on Sunday, Jan 7, 2018, at 9:00AM followed by a session will be on Jan 21, 2018

**Date(s) to Remember**

**Flea Market:** Saturday, Jan 13, 2018, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

**Mass in Cameron Hall:** Saturday, Jan 13, 2018, 5:00PM, followed by a spaghetti supper.

**St. Patrick's Parade Queen Selection Evening 2018**

Feb 3, 2018, 7:00PM, at the Delta Centreville

Primarily a Public Speaking Event.

Open to young women of Irish decent between the ages of 18yrs-25yrs old

Permanent residents of Montreal, and Canadian citizens.

4 Princesses and 1 Queen will be chosen

Trip to Ireland for the Queen

For more information, contact [equinn17@videotron.ca](mailto:equinn17@videotron.ca)

**Heating Costs**

Winter is here and it promises to be a very cold one and as a result our heating costs will be very high. We will be implementing a monthly, second collection, on the second weekend of each month, with the proceeds going to the heating expenses.

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as on weekends.

**BAPTISM** Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office at 514-769-9678. A meeting with Parents and Godparents is a pre-requisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church.

**MARRIAGE** Please contact the Parish Office or Father Gregory well in advance, as it is important to reserve the church before the Hall.