

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

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Epiphany of the Lord

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am-12:30pm &
 1:30pm - 4:00pm
Closed for: Lunch (12:30pm-1:30pm)
Weekends & Mondays
Last appointment 3:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00pm
Sunday 9:30am, 11:15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:30am
Saturday 9:00am

CONFESSION: 15 minutes before and after each Mass or by appointment on weekdays.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK/SHUT-IN

Call or email parish office for appointment.

PARISH REGISTRATION: If you attend the Mass here, register at the church office and use the Sunday envelopes. Registration forms are available in the parish office and website. **Please let the office know if you are moving out of the parish.**

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish priest one year in advance. Please do not book the time and place of the wedding and reception before your appointment with the priest.

BAPTISM: Parents must be **REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and regularly attend the Sacraments.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

These programs normally run from September-May. Information Session takes place a week after the school opens in September (schedules are subject to changes). We only give one information session in a year. Dates are provided to the parish schools in the newsletter and also posted on our website, bulletin, bulletin boards and pastor's announcements as early as June. **PARENTS** must be **REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and actively attend the Sacraments.



First Reading: ISAIAH 60:1-6

Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

Second Reading: EPHESIANS 3:2-3A,5-6

Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

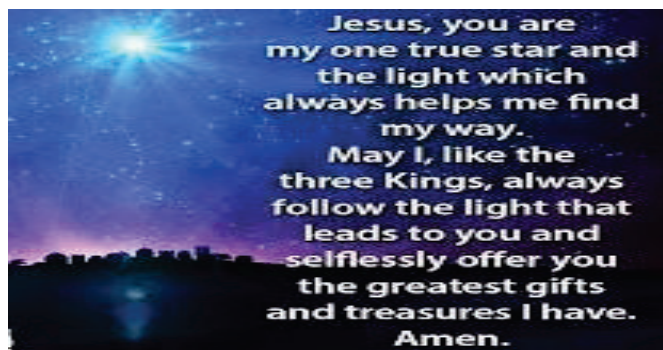
Gospel: MATTHEW 2:1-12

The Magi seek out Jesus and do Him homage.

FAMILY CONNECTION:

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. In many cultures, gifts are not exchanged at Christmas, but rather on the feast of the Epiphany. Whenever you exchange your Christmas gifts, take some time to reflect on this tradition of gift giving at Christmas. Think of the best gift you have received. What was it? What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to you?

Read today's Gospel, Matthew 2:1-12. The gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—have come to be understood as symbols of Christ's royalty, divinity, and eventual suffering and death. They are special because in giving them, the Magi acknowledge who Jesus was to be: our Savior. We pray that we will acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all that we do and say. Conclude by singing together "We Three Kings."



Mass INTENTIONS

- Saturday** **JANUARY 6, 2024**
9:00 AM - BIRTHDAY BLESSING FOR DONNA ALMENDARES
 - HEALING OF FERNANDO & MELANIE SOTELO
 - ALOY & ANNE CANAGASURIAM (†)
 - GRACE, PEACE & HAPPINESS OF CATHERINE CHANG'S FAMILY
 -SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF GERRY & CHRISTINA CADHIT MERCEDES ANGCO (†)
- 5:00 PM**
- Sunday** **JANUARY 7, 2024**
9:30 AM FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS BEN & PRISCILLA PINTO (†)
- 11:15AM**
- Monday** **JANUARY 8, 2024**
8:30AM **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
 FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS & FR. SERRANO
- Tuesday** **JANUARY 9, 2024**
8:30AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF ALMA SILAO
- Wednesday** **JANUARY 10, 2024**
8:30AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF DONNA ALMENDARES
- Thursday** **JANUARY 11, 2024**
8:30AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF ANGEL & LIGAYA RIVERA
- Friday** **JANUARY 12, 2024**
8:30AM SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF FELIX & LORETA NISPEROS




Jesus, in *your* baptism you draw us to yourself through *our* baptism. Show us the ways that our lives can bring life to others, and give us the courage to choose what is pleasing to you. Amen.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD




And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.
2 COR. 9:8


Fr. Fernan and the staffs would like to thank you for the cards and gifts for the Christmas Season. This truly warmed our hearts. May God bless you and your family.



2024 Offertory Envelopes

Reminders:

1. Do not use your envelopes from previous years, please destroy them.
2. **Fill in your name and address on each envelope for the first month when you start using your 2024 box of envelopes.**
3. The number on your box of envelopes is designated for your use only.
4. Please do not give your envelopes to anyone else outside of your household.
5. If you wish to have a 2024 donation box please fill out a registration form and drop by the office for your donation box.
5. Unclaimed 2024 donation envelopes by February will be reassigned.



Parish 2023 tax receipts for weekly donations, PAG, second collections and donations to ShareLife made through the parish will be issued 1st week of February 2024.

Receipts for Donate Now made by through Credit card will be issued and mailed by the Archdiocese of Toronto. Thank you very much for your continued support.



Donation by credit card can be done in our website. Just click on "donate now" and follow the prompts.

You can also opt for **pre-authorized giving (PAG)**. Forms are available in the website and parish office.

Online Giving

WE'RE DOING MORE WITH YOUR SUPPORT
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Elementary Registration for 2024-2025 School Year
Registration for the 2024-2025 school year will start on **January 24, 2024 at 10:00 AM EST.**

Applications entered before the above start time are considered for the current school year (2023-2024) and are invalid for September 2024.

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