

# SAINT BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

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## Epiphany of the Lord



### The Wise Still Seek Him.

**Pastor:** Rev. Father Fernan Serrano

**Permanent Deacon:** Deacon Gerry Cruz

**Parish Secretary:** Marichu Alo

**Parish Custodian:** Angelito Flauta

#### 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.

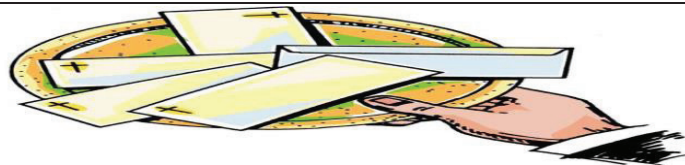
**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12**

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."

**2026 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 2026 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 2026 donation box please fill out a registration form and drop by the office for your donation box.
6. If you prefer to donate monthly through PAG you can obtain the PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) form from the website or parish office.



<b>Saturday</b> 9:00 AM	<b>JANUARY 03, 2026</b> - SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF ORLANDO CENDANO
<b>Sunday</b> 9:30AM	<b>JANUARY 04, 2026</b> FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONER MARINA HO
<b>11:15AM</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>JANUARY 05, 2026</b>
<b>WHOLE DAY – PASTOR'S REST DAY</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30AM	<b>JANUARY 06, 2026</b> FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONER
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30AM	<b>JANUARY 07, 2026</b> MARIO BARTHOLOMEU SILVEIRA (†)
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30	<b>JANUARY 08, 2026</b> MAMERTO ALMENDARES (†)
<b>Friday</b> 8:30am	<b>JANUARY 09, 2026</b> - HILDA SEEDANEE (†) - EDITHA ROGASA (†)

LORD  
*hear our prayer*

*Second Collections*

**JANUARY 04, 2026**

## THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

### **January 1, 2026 – New Year January 11, 2026 – Building Fund**

We kindly ask that you ensure your donation reaches the parish within one month of the collection date. Your generosity is vital, as 100% of the special collection contributions will be sent directly to the Archdiocese of Toronto within that timeframe. Together, we can make a meaningful impact in our community.

**THANK YOU**  
for your generosity  
**YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SUSTAIN OUR PARISH!**



### **FOOD BANK**

Please remember our needy brothers and sisters especially at this time of the year. Bring non-perishable food items for the Foodbank. Please check expiration date.



Parish 2025 tax receipts for weekly donations, PAG, second collections and donations to Sharelife **made through the parish** will be issued 1<sup>st</sup> week of February 2025.

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

*focused on what truly matters: our faith, our community, and our shared mission.*

– FZS

### *The Feast of the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ*

God of all,  
Be our daily star that guides our lives as we search for your love.  
May we always follow your light of truth in all that we do,  
Forever trusting, hoping and believing in your word.  
Life our eyes to the heavens so we too may follow your guiding star  
As we travel home to you.

Amen.



## POPE FRANCIS' 5 FINGER PRAYER

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**INDEX**   
For those who  
teach, instruct &  
heal you.

**MIDDLE**   
For authority  
figures & those  
in government.

**RING**   
For the weakest &  
most vulnerable,  
the sick & poor.

**THUMB**  
For those  
closest to you!  
Family & friends

**PINKIE**  
Lastly, for YOU  
& your needs.



*Despite our best efforts, minor oversights may occur – nobody is perfect. We ask for your understanding and invite everyone to stay*





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