



[l-r: Wedding at Cana ✝ Epiphany of the Magi ✝ Baptism at the Jordan]

Parish Week ✝ Sunday, 11 Jan. 2026

Saturday, 10 Jan.

8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)
5.00 pm Mass: † Pascual Mina Racoya (Sophie Salve)

SUNDAY, 11 JAN. / BAPTISM OF THE LORD

■ Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea

9.00 am Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)
10.30 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Birthday William Cenizal
12.00 pm Mass: † Kamil Klein (Godmother)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 12 Jan. / St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

8.00 am Mass: † Brian, Mary, James & Irene Hossan (Wendy Sheafe)
7.00 pm Mass: † Augusto Arriola (family)

Tuesday, 13 Jan. / St. Hilary, bishop & doctor

■ Bishop Vincent Nguyen: Episcopal Ordination Anniversary (2010)
8.00 am Mass: † Valerie Fritz (Evelyn Walsh)

Wednesday, 14 Jan.

8.00 am Mass: † Sebastian & Mildred Gomes (family)

Thursday, 15 Jan.

8.00 am Mass: † Cyril Bastiampillai (family)

Friday, 16 Jan.

■ Cardinal Thomas Collins: Birthday (1947)

8.00 am Mass: † Ralph, Zoila Sheafe (Wendy Sheafe)

Saturday, 17 Jan. / St. Anthony, abbot

8.00 am Mass: † Caroline Bastiampillai (family)
11.00 am funeral: † Felix Christopher
1.00 pm Memorial Mass: † Remedios Ebuenga
5.00 pm Mass: † Camila Maulion (Corine)

SUNDAY, 18 JAN. / 2-A

■ Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati

9.00 am Mass: † Jack Hickey (Helen Hillier)
10.30 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving 45th, Wedding Anniversary, Emilio & Aurora (Go family)
12.00 pm Mass: † Klein family (Teresa Zator)
1.00 pm Knights of Columbus general meeting
2.30 pm Exemplification
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Focus on the Word

The Baptism of the Lord, Year A

Isaiah 40.1-11; Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7; Luke 3.15-22

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Lily Broderick, Assis Lopes, Florfina Pascual

The 54 victims of the collapse of the Islamic boarding school in Sidoarjo on Java Island



Ordinary Time



The day following the Feast of the *Baptism of the Lord* marks the resumption of the liturgical season called ORDINARY TIME. There is nothing “ordinary” about Ordinary Time. Its name refers simply to the fact that weeks are listed by *ordinal* numbers; 1st, 2nd 3rd, etc. During Ordinary Time, we examine the ordinary ways in which we celebrate the mysteries of God’s Kingdom in our lives. Ordinary Time begins after Christmas season. It is interrupted a few weeks later by Lent and Easter; it resumes on the day after Pentecost, and continues until the beginning of a new Liturgical Year on the 1st Sunday of Advent.

During this longest of the liturgical seasons (34 weeks altogether), we reflect on the message of Christ and on our role as a Christian community, in helping to bring about the *Kingdom of God* in the world. We focus on the work of being the Church: sharing the mission of Jesus to proclaim God’s love.

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17 Jan. Memorial Mass: † Remedios Ebuenga (1 pm)
19 Jan. ► St. Albert School Mass (9:30 am)
St. Maria Goretti School Mass (12:30 pm)
1st Communion Family Information Night [A] (7 pm)
1st Communion Family Information Night [B] (7 pm)
20 Jan. 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**
31 Jan. Wedding: Ylagan & Bermas (1 pm)
2 Feb. Infant Baptism Parent-Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
9 Feb. Confirmation Family Information Night [A] (7 pm)
10 Feb. Confirmation Family Information Night [B] (7 pm)
11 Feb. Mass for All The Sick (7 pm)

18 Feb. **Ash Wednesday;**
- Lent begins; Day of Fast and Abstinence;
- Parish Mass (8.00 am);
- St. Maria Goretti School Liturgy (9.00 am);
- ► St. Albert School Liturgy (1.00 pm);
- Parish Mass (7.00 pm)
22 Feb. ► RCIA Rite of Election (St. Barnabas Church) 2.00 pm

Renewal of Baptism Promises



Priest: *Do you reject Satan, and all his works, and all his empty promises?*

All: "I DO."

Priest: *Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth?*

All: "I DO."

Priest: *Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?*

All: "I DO."

Priest: *Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?*

All: "I DO."

A Special Gift CLEAN CLASSROOMS

We thank **Manuel Sanchez**, for cleaning the Classrooms for the RCIA (Adults), the RCIC (Youth), and the Sacramental Catechism classes.

RCIA, RCIC

*Rites of Christian Initiation
of Adults & Children*



Thinking of joining the Church? *The door is open!* Speak to the Pastor, Fr. Edwin, after Mass; or call: 416-261-0076.

The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; the next meetings are on 9 & 16 January. The RCIC meets Saturday mornings; the next meetings are on 10 & 17 January.

Saturday Confirmation Classes begin 7 February

Classes will begin on Saturday, 7 February 2026, for students who are not in our Parish schools and who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is the Sacrament that completes our Christian Initiation. Wilma and Lillian will be the instructors.

The classes begin at 10.00 am, and last 1 hour. Formal registration will be conducted on 7 February, and a calendar for the series will be provided. For information, call: **Wilma**, 416-884-0311; or **Lillian**, 647-909-6425.

1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion Information Meetings

Parents with children enrolled as Candidates for

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
are invited to attend one of two Information Meetings:

FOR ST. ALBERT AND ST. MARIA GORETTI SCHOOLS:
Monday or Tuesday - 19 or 20 January

Mass will be celebrated at 7.00 pm, and the meeting will follow immediately in the Church.

This invitation is extended to all families who have:

- Children in Grade 2 in our Catholic Schools;
- Children in private and public schools who are enrolled in our Saturday Sacramental Preparation classes.

We also welcome:

- Families with children enrolled in Catholic schools in Grade 3 or above, and who have not yet received these Sacraments;
- Families with children in private and public schools who are new to our parish and would like prepare for these Sacraments.

The Lectionary

The *Lectionary* is the book that contains the collection of Scripture readings appointed for worship throughout the Liturgical Year, which begins on the *1st Sunday of Advent*, and concludes with the week after the Feast of *Christ the King* the following year.

The Sunday Lectionary, which is organized in a three-year cycle of readings, is based on the three *Synoptic Gospels*. These are the Gospels which use a common three-year calendar for the public ministry of Jesus Christ. The years are designated A, B, or C. The year of the cycle does not change on 1 January, but on the First Sunday of Advent (usually late November) which is the beginning of the Liturgical Year.

Year A is based on the Gospel of **Matthew**

Year B is based on the Gospel of **Mark**

Year C is based on the Gospel of **Luke**

In Canada, the Bible translation from which the Scripture texts are taken is the NRSV – the *New Revised Standard Version*.

Stewardship

2025 Receipts, 2026 Envelopes

Soon, the Charitable *Tax Receipts* for all recorded donations last year will be in the Vestibule, for pick up after Mass.



Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.

Parishioners who have not yet picked up their *Sunday Offertory Envelopes* for this year are invited to do so in the Vestibule. They are for *registered* parishioners; if you are new to the parish and are not registered, *welcome to our neighbourhood!* Go to the Office window, introduce yourself, and complete a *registration form*.

Mass for the Faithful Departed of 2025

At the 7 pm Mass on New Year Eve, 31 December 2024, we will pray for all the *Faithful Departed of 2024*. Those whose names were included in our Sunday intercessions (up to publication time) are noted below:

The Faithful Departed of 2025

Prayers for 2024

December

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(29) Bill Buchanan, Lino Christie, Antoinette Dias, The 5 victims of the mass shooting in Washington State in October

Prayers for 2025:

January

(5) Marina Generoso Cadavis, Ariel Gomez, Rosalyn Rambarose, Edwin Salve, Lisa Lopez-Galvan, the DJ killed in the mass shooting at the Kansas City Super bowl parade in February; (12) Bunny & Luke Chanderbhan, Cecil Mendonca, Valdemar & Fatima Avila, who dies when their vehicle was struck at high speed by an intoxicated driver on Parkside Drive; (19) Magdelena Lamila, Elsa Majares, Margarita Soriano Rodriguez, The 215 victims of the flooding in Valencia in Spain on all Souls Day; (26) The 5 victims of the Christmas market attack in Magdeburg, Germany

February

(2) The 5 Palestinian journalists killed in an Israeli bomb strike in Gaza in December; (9) The 39 victims of the Azerbaijan Airlines plane crash in Kazakhstan on Christmas Day; (16) Fr. Thomas Gregory Chisholm, The 150 victims of the earthquake in Tibet; (23) Sister Anna Chan, The 85 victims of the ski resort fire in Turkey.

March

(21) Margaret Breedon, Bella D'Sa, Leocadio Lumbre, Francisco Udare Jr., The 20 victims of the winter storm in the US Southeast in January; (9) Armando Aquino, Pedro Malit, Dante Serrato, The 69 victims of the passenger jet and military helicopter crash in Ronald Reagan airport in February; (16) John Philip

Louis, Amanda Aquino, The victims of the Ebola outbreak in Uganda in January; (23) The victims of the ongoing conflict in Eastern Congo; (30) Julita Del Mundo Velitta, The victims of the cholera outbreak in Angola

April

(13) The 3,500 victims of the earthquake in Myanmar in March; (20) Virgillita Banlaygas, Mary Joseph, Fr. Donald Francis Finlay, The 60 victims of the club fire in North Macedonia in March; (27) Roberta Byrne, Youssfieh Louka, The victims of the recent floods in Bolivia

May

(4) Liza Sampang, the 16 victims of Cyclone Jude in Mozambique in March; (11) Tony Dequito, Rosa Salandanan, Melinda Santos, Josefina Conde Villaron, the 20 victims of the USA Midwest floods in April; (18) Sterling Simpson, the 221 victims of the club roof collapse in the Dominican Republic in April; (25) Fr. Santo Cigolini, The victim of the terrorist attack in Mulhouse, France in February

June

(1) The victim of the terrorist attack in Mulhouse, France in February; (8) Lilia Tanchoco, The 11 victims of Lapu Lapu Day tragedy in Vancouver; (14) Elenida Donado, Lucia Thi Chin Do, Anthony Quinton D'Souza, The 1,000,000 victims of the Russian invasion of Ukraine; (22) Fernando Castro, Fr. Vitaliano Papais, Rosatto Picano, Raquel Ocampo Blanco, Sandy Seki, The 3 students of Canadian Martyrs Catholic School who were killed in a car crash in Etobicoke in May; (29) The victims of the rescue air ambulance jet crash in Philadelphia in January

July

(6) Benigno Baltonado, Nativdad Gaudes, Vencel Nagy, Mary Rany, The 6 victims of the business jet crash in San Diego in May; (13) Eufracia Aquino, Cecilia Asia, Robinson Christy, Chaminda & Shanthi Dias, Deacon John Schwarzbauer, The 200 victims of the

flash flood in Mokwa, Nigeria; (20) The 70 Christians beheaded by Islamic militants in Kasanga, Congo; (27) Edgardo Diaz, Fr. Richard McKnight, Michael De Dombal, The 4,000 victims of the earthquake in Myanmar.

August

(3) Roden Cortero, Carmen Espiritu, Hulk Hogan, Ozzy Osborne, The 11 victims of the school shooting in Graz, Austria; (10) Mino Abala, Maria Fatima Senesan Marikit, Lourdes Sardua, Cynthia Velante, The 7 victims of the ferry dock walkway collapse in Georgia; (17) Eugenia Morawski, The 50 victims of the floods in South Africa; (24) Philomena Ivy Vaz, The 290 victims of the Air India plane crash in Ahmedabad; (31) The 26 victims of the Islamic suicide bombing in Mar Elias Church in Damascus.

September

(7) Jay Ar-Llaneza, The 62,000 Christians killed in Nigeria by Islamic militants since 2000; (14) Fr. James Adams, Julie Costales, Jose Hermosa, Fr. Christie Arulthasan Joachimpillai, Fr. Philip Smith, The 9 victims of the bridge collapse in Gujarat, India; (21) Giorgio Armani, Christopher Gonsalves, The 200 victims of the flash floods in Texas; (28) Claudio Escalona, Sebastiana Moncada, The 3 victims of the Israeli bomb strike on Holy Family Catholic Church in Gaza

October

(5) Ann Jeanette Kneale, Ruben Matitu, Anita Salazar, The 70 victims of the Hypermarket mall fire in Kut City, Iraq; (12) Ricardo Antonio Panaligan, Lin Kendrick Galano, Fulmani Tete, The 808 victims of the floods in Pakistan since the monsoon season began in July; (19) Catherine LeBlanc, Fr. Scott Young, The 20 victims of the floods in South Korea; (26) Blanche Cartwright, Francesco Leo, Veronica Remedioa, The 30 victims of the Jet Crash on Milestone College in Dhaka, Bangladesh

November

(2) Melon Buera, Freddy D'Mello, The 49 victims of the Islamic attack on the parishioners in Komanda, Congo in July; (16) The 2,000 victims of the earthquake in Afghanistan in August; (25) Rodrigo Flores, Fr. John Douglas Hilmer, Salve Turiano, Fr. Joseph Thomas Walsh, The 1,300 victims of the landslide in Sudan; (30) Hainwai Wage, The 16 victims of the streetcar derailment in Lisbon

December

(7) The 86 victims of the boat sinking in Lake Kivu, D.R. Congo; (14) Trudie Cortens, Nadja Melanie Dobeli, Deacon William Daly, Fr. John Charles Govan, The 10 victims of the attack on the Mormon Chapel in Grand Blanc, Michigan

Other Friends

Joyce Durban, Thelma John, Father Rodolfo Imperial, Barbara Meecham, Hartmut Nissen, June Nobrega, Father Daniel Palillo, Camille Costo, Audrey Sue Ping, Baby Isuan, Ruby Ann Sheppard, Carol Jonkers, William Moses LeBlanc, Anthony Joseph, Elvie Carla Go Tan, Salvatore Assenza, Diane Carllin, Giovanni Santoro, Shelley Dlouhy, John Malick, Emma Allair, Lorna Bristol, Josephine DeLillo, Isagani Concepcion, Josephina Villaron, Thomas King, Monica Masters, Colin Parsons, Angela Anwhatiin, Romulo Galario, Catalina Gumaru, Leon Joseph San Pedro, Amerigo Pellegrini, Marynold Yuma, Donna Jensen, Judy, McInnis, Fe Uy Santos, Bedelyn Realce, Lourdes Moya.

REQUIEM AETERNAM
dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Requiescant in pace. Amen.



ETERNAL REST grant to them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.



Above: El Shaddai Prayer Group, 3 January.

Below: Chinese Martyrs Parish Group, 3 January.





Above: Epiphany; The first King is brought in procession at the

3.00 pm El Shaddai Prayer Group Mass, 3 January.













