

*January 03  
2016*

*The Epiphany of  
the Lord*



*“Wise men still seek Him”*

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: JAN. 02 TO JAN. 10**

(L) indicates a living intention

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Jan. 02</b>	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>	
4:30 pm	Maria Manzo-DeNotaris		Claudia Argentino
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan. 03</b>		
9:00	Our Parishioners		
11:00	Marian Niznik		Mary & Guy Taillon
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Jan. 04</b>		
8:30 am	Albanesse family		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Jan. 05</b>		
8:30 am	Manuel Antonio Martins		The Principe family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Jan. 06</b>		
8:30 am	Maria Nascimento Linhares		Elvyn Obregon
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Jan. 07</b>		
8:30 am	Mark Julius Coelho		Pat & Donny
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Jan. 08</b>		
8:30 am	Rosina Incollingo		Biagio <u>Argento</u> & Vera Furci
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Jan. 09</b>	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan. 10</b>		
9:00	Salvatore Garofalo		Joan Hopkirk
11:00	Biagio Martorana, Billy, Caterina & Lucia Calogero		Cathy Dorsa

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

**Week of:**

Jan. 03: Joanne Gray (L), requested by Anna Donald.

Jan. 10: Danielle Mondou (L) requested by Venise Mondou

**DAYTIME MIXED SENIORS VOLLEYBALL** commences Monday Jan. 04 at Kirkland Sports Complex 1-3pm. Beginners welcome! For information Richard Merlo 514-626-0984 rmerlo@colba.net.

**CONTRIBUTIONS** for December 19/20, Christmas, Dec. 26/27, and Jan. 02/03 will be published in the January 10 bulletin.

**NOTICE TO DONATION ENVELOPE USERS:** 2016 Boxed sets of contribution envelopes will be available January 1, 2015. The delay is due to changes made to certain dates and funds contained in the boxes. At this time, you may wish to sign up for our new **online donation system**, which includes monthly recurring payments. For more information, please visit [www.becket.ca](http://www.becket.ca)

**TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP** will resume on January 26. Merry Christmas to all.

**CWL NEWS:** Did you know that the Catholic Women's League is 80,000 strong across Canada? Go online and view the video documentary on the CWL entitled: **WOMEN ON A MISSION**. Look it up on Facebook or the online CWL site. Want to know more about joining this empowered group of women? Change your life now. Call Vita 514-694-1118.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE 50<sup>TH</sup> JUBILEE COMMITTEE.** Please stay tuned for some great Jubilee events in the coming months. If you were unable to have your photo taken for the parish directory you still have a chance. You can submit a family picture and \$12.50, for which you will get a copy of the book. Please call Rina. We will also have a memorial page in the parish directory. If you wish to have your deceased love one (s) included, please submit a photo to 50th@becket.ca For more info please visit the website or call Rina @ 514-915-7586

#### **FAITH FIRST**

Upcoming Gatherings:

Eucharist Gathering #4 January 12

Level 1/2 (SP3) Gathering #2 January 15

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

Reading 1: Isaiah 60:1-6 (Nations Shall Walk by Your Light)

Reading II: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 (Copartners in the Promise of Christ)

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 (The Visit of the Magi)

**Adults:** Where has the light of faith led me over the past year?

**Youth:** Do I realize that all my gifts and talents come from God? How might he be asking me to put them at the service of His people?

**Children:** When I look at the stars, what do I most appreciate about God?

**LIVING CHANGE:** Join us for a morning of reflection on the theme of living change, (personal, family, work) and learn how life transitions can be an opportunity for growth. Guest speaker: Cathie Macaulay. Saturday, January 23, 2016, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Light lunch included. All are welcome! RSVP by January 16. Vita: 514-694-1118 or vitaclewis@gmail.com Goodwill offerings accepted.

**A JESUIT, A DOMINICAN, AND A FRANCISCAN** were walking along an old road, debating the greatness of their orders. Suddenly, an apparition of the Holy Family appeared in front of them, with Jesus in a manger and Mary and Joseph praying over him.

The Franciscan fell on his face, overcome with awe at the sight of God born in such poverty.

The Dominican fell to his knees, adoring the beautiful reflection of the Trinity and the Holy Family.

The Jesuit walked up to Joseph, put his arm around his shoulder, and said, "So, have you thought about where to send the boy to school?"

**THE MAGI WERE BY FOLLOWING A LIGHT**, searching for the light. The star appearing in the sky kindled in their minds and in their hearts a light that moved them to seek the great Light of Christ. The Magi followed faithfully that light which filled their hearts, and they encountered the Lord.

The destiny of every person is symbolized in this journey of the Magi of the East: our life is a journey, illuminated by the lights which brighten our way, to find the fullness of truth and love which we Christians recognize in Jesus, the Light of the World.

One aspect of the light which guides us on the journey of faith is “holy cunning”. This “holy cunning” is also a virtue. It consists of a spiritual shrewdness which enables us to recognize danger and avoid it. As Jesus told his disciples: “Be wise as serpents and innocent as doves” (Mt 10:16). The Magi used this light of “cunning” when, on the way back, they decided not to pass by the gloomy palace of Herod, but to take another route. These wise men from the East teach us how not to fall into the snares of darkness and how to defend ourselves from the shadows which seek to envelop our life. By this “holy cunning”, the Magi guarded the faith. We too need to guard the faith, guard it from darkness. Many times, however, it is a darkness under the guise of light. This is because the devil, as Saint Paul, says, disguises himself at times as an angel of light. And this is where a holy “cunning” is necessary in order to protect the faith, which is a grace, a gift, which is entrusted to use and which we must guard also by prayer, love, charity.

On the feast of the Epiphany, as we recall Jesus’ manifestation to humanity in the face of a Child, may we sense the Magi at our side, as wise companions on the way. Their example helps us to lift our gaze towards the star and to follow the great desires of our heart. They teach us not to be content with a life of mediocrity, of “playing it safe”, but to let ourselves be attracted always by what is good, true and beautiful... by God, who is all of this, and so much more! And they teach us not to be deceived by appearances, by what the world considers great, wise and powerful. By the example of the Magi, with our little lights, may we seek the Light and keep the faith.

*~ Pope Francis*



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**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** before all Masses or by request.

**Anointing of the Sick:** by appointment

**Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration:** First Friday of the month

**Benediction:** Fridays after morning Mass

**Baptism:** Please contact the office.

**Marriage:** Please contact the office one year in advance.

**Vocations:** Please contact Fr. Peter, Fr. Tijo or Deacon Marco for more information.

**R.C.I.A.:** Deacon Marco Argentino