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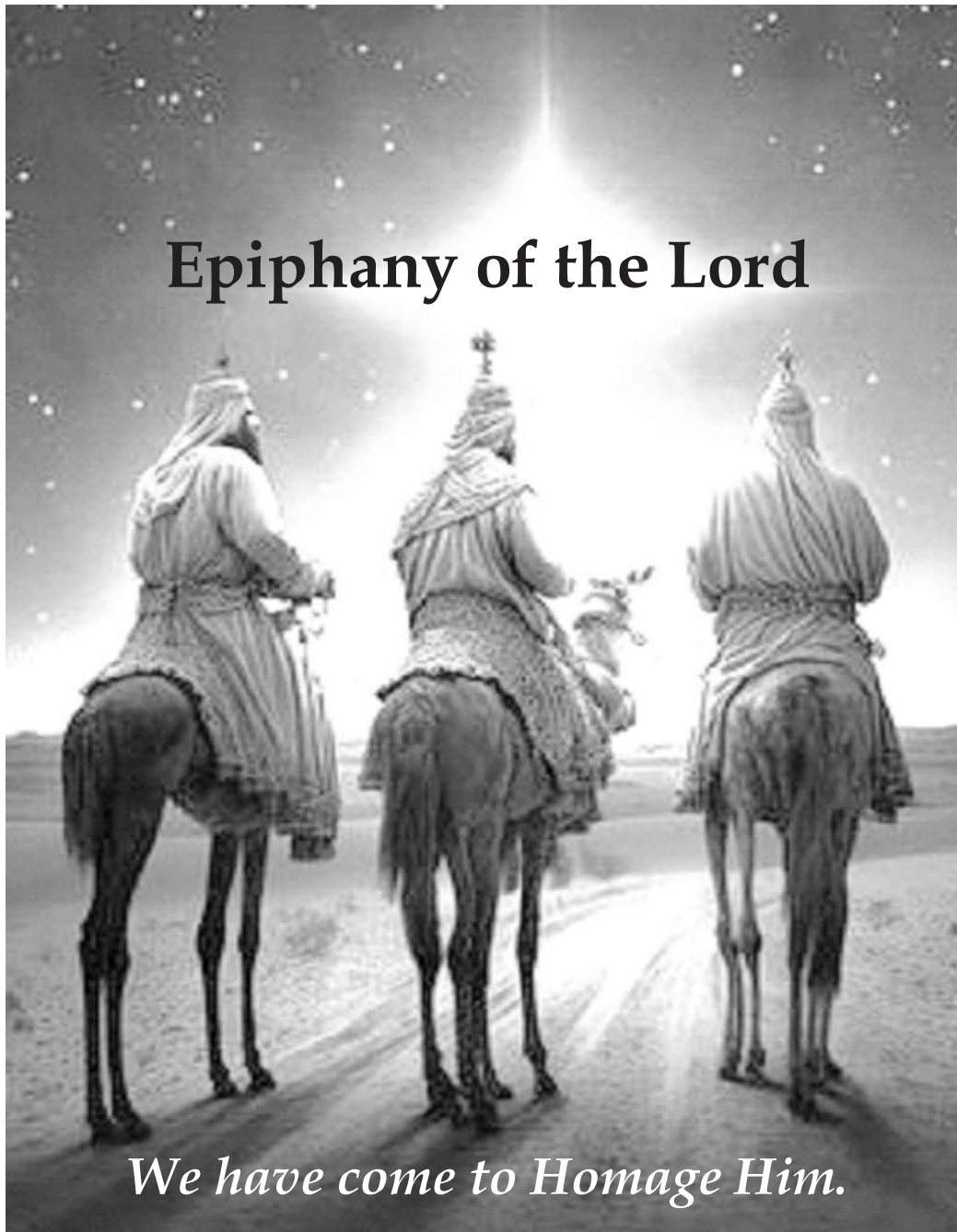
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Epiphany of the Lord



We have come to Homage Him.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday Jan 5, 7:00pm

Sp Int Gladys George & Oliver Joseph req by Claudia Herod.

Tuesday Jan 6, 7:00pm

+Horace Raymond Willison req by Raymond Willison.

Prayers for the Seniors req by Joan Vanberkum.

Wednesday Jan 7, 7:00pm

+Rose Gordon req by Joan Fernandes.

+Jeanette Ellis req by Manuba Cabaluna Family.

Sp Int Christopher Doyle Family.

Sp Int Fr. Garfield Rochard req by Brenda Pagazani.

Thanksgiving for Kondzior Family.

Living & Deceased Members of the CWL.

Thursday Jan 8, 7:00pm

Sp Int Fr. Alex req by the Doyle Family.

Friday Jan 9, 7:00pm

+Maureen Keogan req by Dermot Keogan & Family.

Sp Int Stephen & Jeanette Serrao.

Thanksgiving for all the Blessings req by Celine Fernandes & Family.

Saturday Jan 10, 5:00pm

+Francesco Cupelli req by Anna Cupelli & Family.

HAPPENING THIS MONTH

EDGE & LIFE TEEN

Edge Returns on **Jan 8th** 6:46pm

Life Teen Returns **Jan 15th** 6:45pm

HFkids – SUNDAY PROGRAMS

Our HFkids Programs return next Sunday, **Jan 11th** during the 9:30 & 11:00 Masses for children & youth from Gr. JK to Gr. 6.

CONFESSIONS

Every **SATURDAY** 4:00 to 4:45pm

MOMS GROUP GATHERING

All Moms are Welcome! Join us **Jan 14** 7:30pm.

DADS GROUP MEETING

All Dads Welcome! Join us for our first gathering **Thursday Jan 15** at 7:30pm

MARRIAGE PREP

Jan. 16, 7pm to 9pm, Jan 17, 9am to 12pm

Jan 23, 7pm to 9pm, Jan. 24, 9am to 12pm

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

St Bernard, St Mark, Public & Other - Sat, **Jan 31** - 11:30am.

St Matthew, St Paul & St Theresa - Sat, **Jan 31** - 2pm.

FIRST COMMUNION PREP

Group 1 - Sat **Jan 10**, 11:45, Group 2 - Sat **Jan 10**, 9:30,

Group 3 - Sat **Jan 17**, 11:45, Group 4 - Sat **Jan 17**, 9:30

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH RETURNS

Foundations of Faith start date is **Jan 12th**.

Meets every Monday 10am or 7:30pm.

JANUARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Jan 17/18 – Restoration & Maintenance

Jan 31/Feb 1 – Capital Campaign

PASTORS' MESSAGE

What the Three Kings Teach Us for the New Year

On Epiphany, we remember the three kings who followed a star into the unknown. They did not have all the answers. They only had a sign, a question in their hearts, and the courage to begin.

They teach us first to seek. The kings were paying attention. In a noisy world, they noticed the star and chose to follow it. As a new year begins, Epiphany invites us to look up again. To ask what truly matters and to move toward it, even when the path is not clear.

They also teach us perseverance. The journey was long and uncomfortable. Still, they kept going. The new year will bring challenges we did not plan. Like the kings, we are reminded that faith and hope grow through steady steps, not quick answers.

When they arrived, they offered gifts. Gold, frankincense, and myrrh were costly and meaningful. This teaches us to bring our best. Not just what is easy or leftover, but our time, kindness, and love. What we offer this year can bless others more than we realize.

Finally, the kings listened. Warned in a dream, they went home by a different way. Epiphany reminds us that meeting Christ changes us. The new year may call us to choose a different path, let go of old habits, or walk home wiser than before.

As we begin this year, may we seek with hope, travel with trust, give generously, and stay open to being changed. Like the three kings, may we follow the light we are given and let it lead us forward.

With prayer, Fr. László

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH - NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!

Come and discover the heart of our Catholic faith through a beautiful, video-based pilgrimage that brings the Catechism to life. Join fellow parishioners who are already enjoying this enriching journey as we explore the ancient councils that shaped our beliefs and the saints who lived them with courage and love. This is Part 2 of the series, it **STARTS MONDAY JAN 12TH** and **it's not too late to join us!** Whether you're continuing the journey or just beginning, you're warmly invited to grow in understanding, learn from trusted teachers, and see how our faith speaks to everyday life. We meet on Mondays with 2 sessions to choose from: Morning Sessions 10:00 am; Evening Sessions 7:30 pm. Cost: \$50. Jan 12 to Mar 16. Sign up at the back of the church. ***Come, explore the treasure of the Catechism, and let this journey transform the way you live out your Catholic faith!***

WAYS TO SIMPLIFY YOUR GIVING IN 2026

Thank you to all our parishioners for your continued support of Holy Family. Your generous offertory giving supports the daily operation, care, and faith formation of our parish. In addition to the offertory collection at Mass, parishioners and guests may give using the **TIPTAP** device located at the back of the church for quick, contactless donations (please follow the posted instructions the first time to ensure your gift is properly registered for tax receipts). Online giving is also available through our website, with one-time or monthly options via PayPal or **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)**. PAG offers convenient automatic deductions that can be adjusted or cancelled at any time. Forms are available at the back of the church or online at holyfamilywhitby.ca/tithe-give/, or simply scan the QR code.



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

HFkids & LIBRARY SUNDAYS!

We invite all kids in grades JK to Grade 6 to join us on Sundays during the 9:30 & 11:00 Masses for our specially designed Sunday program called HFkids! Adventurers is for children from JK to gr. 1 and Time Travellers is for kids in gr. 2 to 6.

Don't forget to visit our Kids Lending Library, located in the Gather Café (basement hall) on Sundays after the 9:30 & 11:00 Masses. Browse a great selection of Catholic children's books, chapter books, and a small collection of adult resources. View the full catalogue and reserve books on our website: holyfamilywhitby.ca/library/

HELP CLEAN OUR CHURCH!

Our parish is a home for prayer, worship, and community, and we need your helping hands to keep it beautiful. With our new atrium and meeting rooms soon part of our parish home, volunteers are needed to help keep all our spaces clean and welcoming. No special skills needed, just a willing heart! If you can offer a little time each week to tidy, dust, or care for our sacred spaces, please let us know. contact Tess at 905-665-6470 ext. 201 or holy.family@rogers.com.

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

Marriage Preparation Course for couples getting married in the Catholic Church is taking place over 2 weekends at the parish this winter. Cost is \$250. Please call the parish office at 905-665-6470 to register. Dates are as follows:

Jan. 16, 7pm to 9pm, Jan 17, 9am to 12pm
Jan 23, 7pm to 9pm, Jan. 24, 9am to 12pm

CHILD CARE TEAM – JOIN US!

New Opportunity for Teens & Adults to serve!

We are hoping to form a **Child Care Team** consisting of **TEEN & ADULT** volunteers to help support our Mothers Group (held on the **2nd Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm**) by caring for **primary-school-aged children** at the parish while the moms attend the Moms Group. When the need arises, this Caregiving Team would also be called upon to assist during Sacramental Preparation sessions and could eventually help support other parish programs. Training will be provided and volunteers will also be required to complete a High-Risk Screening application if not already done.

If you enjoy being with children and would like to serve our parish community in a meaningful way, we would love to hear from you. Email Sue at: holyfamily.sue@gmail.com.

A MORNING FOR YOU & YOUR LITTLE ONE!

➤ *Home with your little one(s) Thursday mornings?*

Join us weekly starting **THIS Thurs. Jan. 8 at 9:30am** for a cozy, relaxed playgroup in a faith-filled environment. Moms, grandmas, caregivers - dads too, are welcome with their little ones. Bring your child or grandchild, meet other moms, grandmas & dads, enjoy fellowship, and find community. We'd love to see you there! Register to receive updates and reminders:



GUYS! THINKING ABOUT A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?

How about getting closer to God while building friendships with fellow Parish Men with the same resolution... Join the Holy Family Dads Group! Our first meeting is **Thursday, Jan. 15th, at 7:30pm (NOT Jan 22)**. Register at holyfamilydads.com or scan QR code.



MOM'S GROUP GATHERING JAN 14 – JOIN US!

Come and be part of an encouraging & supportive community of women and go deeper in your faith life. No matter where you are on your faith journey and no matter where you are as a mom, if you're a mom, this group is for you! Find the sign-up link in the **PARENT PORTAL** of our website or Scan the QR code – get to know other parish moms and build community.



ATTENTION YOUTH IN GRADES 6 TO 12 - JOIN US!

➤ *Join one of our Youth Groups in the new year!*

EDGE (gr. 6 to 8), every 2nd & 4th Thursday. Join us **Thur. Jan 9th at 6:45pm**.

LIFE TEEN (gr. 9 to 12) every 1st & 3rd Thursday and includes dinner! Join us **Thur. Jan 16th at 6:45pm**.

Visit: holyfamilywhitby.ca/youth/, scan the QR code or contact Samantha at hfw.youth@gmail.com



MEETING TO PLAN MILLIONS OF MONICAS - JAN 5TH

➤ *Seeking Team Members for a New Prayer Gathering.*

Millions of Monica's is a simple monthly prayer gathering for mothers praying for their children, especially those struggling in their faith or who have stepped away from the Church. Inspired by St. Monica, this is a structured time of prayer (not a support group). We are looking for mothers, grandmothers, step-mothers, godmothers, and anyone with a mother's heart to help launch this ministry. Interested in joining the **Launch Team**? Email Sue at holyfamily.sue@gmail.com.

There is a Team Meeting this Monday, January 5 at 7:30 pm for everyone interested in helping us bring and run this program at Holy Family.

NEW YEAR! NEW ALPHA! NEW YOU!



Mark your calendars for our upcoming Alpha, beginning **Wednesday, January 28, 2026**. We warmly welcome all new and/ or returning guests. Come and enjoy a meal, inspiring videos and real honest discussion of questions of faith. Invite a friend and join us **Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.** Your Alpha Team

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