

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

### **CHANGE IN MAILING ADDRESS**

If your mailing address has been changed kindly:

- call the parish office at 416- 751-2661 or
- email : [office@preciousblood.ca](mailto:office@preciousblood.ca) to update our records.



The Catholic Women's League (CWL) Precious Blood Council invites you to participate in the

### **2026 YOUTH AWARDS CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE CWL TORONTO DIOCESAN COUNCIL.**

#### **1) Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry Contest**

This contest supports and encourages an awareness and positive attitude towards a broad range of pro-life issues from stages of conception through childhood, adolescence, adulthood and senior years, to the new life stage after death.



#### **Eligibility:**

- a. Intermediate Level - Grade 7, 8, & 9
- b. Senior Level - Grade 10, 11, & 12

**Deadline of application: February 13, 2026**

#### **2) Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest (Prepared Speech and Impromptu Speech)**

**Eligibility:** Grade 7 and 8

**Deadline of application: February 27, 2026**

#### **3) Jean McCann Youth Service Award**

**Deadline of application: February 13, 2026**

Please email Service Chair Lindsay Pawson at [pawsonl@yahoo.ca](mailto:pawsonl@yahoo.ca) who should be glad to assist you with your application.

### **2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**



Please pick up your box in the foyer. If you cannot find a new set of envelopes, please contact the parish office by phone or e-mail so that we can ensure a set is provided for you.

Your support for the parish is crucial and your sacrificial giving is our only means of keeping the lights on and the doors open. Thanks to those also giving by Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), which is a convenient way to make your offering. Please consider PAG if you would like this alternative to using envelopes (visit [www.preciousblood.ca/pag/](http://www.preciousblood.ca/pag/) for details.)

### **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**



Mary treasured all that God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ.

If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) - [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

### **FORMED CONTINUES AT PRECIOUS BLOOD!**

# FORMED

All parishioners have access to the best free Catholic streaming service, [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org).

You can watch entertaining and uplifting movies about the Saints, inspiring dramas, great music, and lots of content for children. Learn about the Bible and the way of Jesus from a solidly Catholic perspective. Your free access has been made possible thanks to a donation from a generous parish family. Thank you! Look under "Upcoming Events" at [preciousblood.ca](http://preciousblood.ca) for signup instructions.

### **LEGION OF MARY**

Our Lady of Fatima - Pilgrim Virgin Statue Home Visitation

#### **2027 SIGN UP BINDER**



The **Legion of Mary** is bringing Our Lady of Fatima pilgrim statue to every home.

Choose your significant date – birthday, wedding anniversary etc. ... The pilgrim statue will stay in your home for three (3) weeks. A member of Legion of Mary will call to arrange on the visitation date you prefer. Prayers will be led by the Legion of Mary upon her arrival and farewell.

A beautiful gift to our Blessed Mother on every bead praying the Hail Marys...The family that prays together stays together. Let us pray to Our Blessed Mother for protection, guidance, peace in our family, community and the whole world.

### **ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY PRAYER SERVICE 2026**

**Sunday, January 18, 2026, 4:00 PM**, Runnymede United Church, 432 Runnymede Rd, Toronto, ON M6S 2Y8



Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations and the GTA Council of Christian Churches.

Theme: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the hope of your calling" (Ephesians 4:4)

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 3 – Saturday, January 11

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 2026**

8:30 am TBA  
5:00 pm All Parishioners ("Pro Populo")

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026**

8:30 am + Patrick Sequeira (Death Anniversary)  
10:00 am + Valdene Dizon & Johanna Dizon  
12:00 pm Michael Denzyl  
+ Theresa Serant

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026**

8:00 am + John & Rose Marie Deans (Req. Catherine Deans)

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026**

8:00 am + Bibiana Calbitaza Timbang

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026**

7:00 pm + Reynando Quesea  
+ Dominic Larosa  
Chris Rome (Req. by Jim Morrison)  
+ Micaela Borrelli de Torres  
Thanksgiving for Bunda & Espinesa Family

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026**

8:00 am To Mother of Perpetual Succor (Thanksgiving  
+ Healing)

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2026**

8:00 am + Celine & Dennis Pinto

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026**

8:30 am + Mary Thomas (Req. by Alice)  
5:00 pm + Peter D'Cruze

### **SAVE THE DATE- SPRING BIBLE STUDY COURSE**



This spring we will be holding a bible study course entitled The Bible and the Virgin Mary. It will be held on Monday evenings in the Parish Hall from 7-9 pm. It will start on Monday April 13th and finish on Monday June 22nd. There is no charge to attend the program.

This year we are registering participants using the attached link, QR code or via email to Sandy Bassett. All are welcome to join us, especially those parishioners who have not yet attended one of our spring courses. It is a fun, social evening while learning about our faith. We are doing this course on the Virgin Mary because that is what last spring's participants suggested. This course is available on FORMED so if you are not able to attend all 10 sessions, you can watch the one you missed on FORMED.

Please register now by emailing [assetsandy@gmail.com](mailto:assetsandy@gmail.com) or simply click on the link or scan the QR code. Hope to see you at the course!

Please access the registration form through the following link: <https://forms.gle/9Z7gYJSBbeipYjBh7> or scan the QR code:



### **DONATING SECURITIES TO YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY**



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### **MEMORIAL PLAQUE**

Remembering a loved one: The name of a beloved family member can be engraved on one of the memorial plaques at the entrance of the church.

Would you like to have this remembrance of someone in your family? Just contact the office.

### **DID YOU KNOW?...**

The word *Epiphany* comes from the Latin *epiphania* and the Greek *epiphaneia*, meaning "appearance" or "manifestation."

Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as the Messiah of Israel, the Son of God, and the Savior of the world, especially to the Gentiles. The feast celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (Magi) from the East, together with His baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee.

Frankincense and myrrh are both aromatic resins produced from tree sap—a sticky substance many trees "bleed" when they are cut. Frankincense is milky white and is produced by a small tree, *Boswellia sacra* (which grows in Oman, Yemen, and Somalia), while myrrh is reddish and is produced by *Commiphora myrrha* (a tree that grows in Oman, Yemen, and parts of Africa, including Djibouti, Ethiopia, Somalia, and northeast Kenya).

The word *myrrh* comes from the Aramaic *mur*, which means "bitter." Indeed, myrrh has a bitter taste. It has various healing effects and is used to treat arthritic, rheumatic, and circulatory problems, to name just a few. It was also used to embalm or anoint the dead. In ancient times, myrrh was very valuable, having the same value as gold.