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**Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.**

Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord

Our Christmas celebration began with the shepherds on the hill country going over to Bethlehem to visit the new born King and ends with the arrival of the Magi, in all their splendour. What attracts our attention is that they made their journey, guided by a mysterious star, to worship in simplicity and joy at the feet of the child, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Life was never the same after that discovery.

Christ made all the difference to them, transforming them and calling them out of darkness into his own wonderful light. The story has a relevance and holds true in every age. It symbolizes the religious journey of all people who are seeking God, using a glimmer of faith to point the way forward. The search for the truth always involves leaving the comfort and security of previously held positions and views and facing the unknown. It requires courage, determination and hope as the journey will be long and the pathway lined with failure, doubt and confusion.

Deep down in our lives there is an uneasiness and a yearning after freedom and happiness which can only be fulfilled when we experience the presence of God. Christ is to be encountered in the most unusual and varied of places. He can be found in the smile of a child, in the painful expression of a person sick in bed, in the bitter tears of a poor person and in the happiness of newly-weds.

Whenever we look into the eyes of another person we are gazing into the eyes of Christ. When we meet other people we can offer the priceless treasure of the presence of Christ within us. We are Christians, not for our own sakes, but for others. This feast teaches that our faith is for sharing. God has called and given us the task of showing his Son to everyone we meet.



The parish office is presently closed until further notice. Please feel free to contact us via email at immaculaechurch@rogers.com or leave a voice message at 416-691-6968. We will respond at our earliest convenience.



**This week
the Sanctuary Lamp is
dedicated:
For the intentions of
Robert Kanary**

MASS Intentions

Mon. Jan. 4	12:05 pm	For the intentions of Esther Lee, <i>requested by her parents – Mr. & Mrs. Lee</i>
Tue. Jan. 5	12:05 pm	
Wed. Jan. 6	12:05 pm	
Thu. Jan. 7	5:00 pm	
Fri. Jan. 08		
Sat. Jan, 09	9:00 am 5:00 pm	For the intentions of Romeo Malakas, <i>requested by Zen Malakas</i>
Sun. Jan. 10	9:00 am 11:00 am	For the People of the Parish

Note:

All Mass intentions, which already been booked, will be offered during the private daily Mass celebrated by Fr. Charles.



CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Note: 10 people in attendance only

Monday – Friday from 11 am to 1 pm

- For private prayer **only** & Confession is available
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday from noon to 2 pm

- For private prayer **only** & Confession is available
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

MASS LIVESTREAMED in ENGLISH and can be viewed online at any time throughout the day at www.olghtamilparish.com at the following times:

- Sundays at 9 am

Ways to support your parish

- **Drop off or mail** your regular weekly offertory contribution to the **PARISH OFFICE** *[kindly do not leave it the mailbox]*.
- Visit our **Donate Now** page by visiting <https://community.archtoronto.org/page.aspx?pid=413> and select the region for our parish from the map. You will be taken to a page that allows you to choose your parish, amount of your gift – one-time or recurring and payment method – credit card or chequing account.
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If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, [416-934-3400, ext. 540](tel:416-934-3400) or development@archtoronto.org.

Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community!





Prayer to St. André Bessette Memorial Feast Day: January 7th

Lord, you chose humble St. André to spread devotion to St. Joseph and gave him a special commitment to serve the poor, the sick and the afflicted. Through his intercession, grant us the favour that we now request as we follow his example of prayer and love so as to come to share with him in Your glory through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PARISH WEBSITE

<https://immaculateheartofmarysc.archtoronto.org/>

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• Bulletin Library, etc.	News & Events
• Archdiocese updates	'What's New'
• Archdiocese Blog	'Around the Arch'

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and check out the above !!!



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