

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.

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<u>Sunday 01-07</u>			
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7:00 p.m.	++Natalina & Cosmo Mau		
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8:15 a.m.	+James Bailey		
<u>Tuesday 01-0</u>	-		
7:00p.m Catholic Women's Legue			
Wednesday 01-10			
8:15a.m.	1.) Souls in Purgatory		
Thursday 01-			
7:00p.m.	1.) +Maria Bartus		
	2.) +James Bailey		
	Graces and blessings for A		
	3.) Special intentions for Ju	ıliana	
<u>Friday 01-12</u>			
8:15a.m.	+Gerard Sherrer		
7:00pm.	1.) +Henryk Mieczkowski		
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	Agnieszka Konopko	, 2011,	
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### IN THE NEXT WEEK IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIESTS

Monday 01-08 - Baptism of the Lord Tuesday 01-09 - Rev. David Reilander Wednesday 01-10 - Sisters of St. John the Baptist (C.S.J.B.) Thursday 01-11 - Rev. Franjo Sprajc Friday 01-12 - Rev. Matthew Durham Saturday 01-13– Rev. Aurimas Paulius Rudinskas



Sunday 07 – The Epiphany of the Lord
Monday 08- The Baptism of the Lord
Friday 12 – Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ 9am – 7pm

Saturday 13 – Saint Hilary, Bishop, and Doctor of the Church
Sunday 14 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# JANUARY 2024-OVERVIEW OF THE MONTH

The first eight days of January fall during the liturgical season known as Christmas which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence (absolute or restored). The remaining days of January are the beginning of liturgical season known as Tempus per Annum or Ordinary Time (formerly Time After Epiphany), which is represented by the liturgical color green. Green is a symbol of hope, as it is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The liturgical color green is worn during prayer of Offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

### The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2024

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church: We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power." With these words the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent. Epiphany, therefore, marks the liturgical zenith of the Advent-Christmas season. *Pius Parsch* 

The Optional Memorial of St. Raymond Peñafort, which is ordinarily celebrated today, is superseded by the Sunday liturgy.

The feast of the Epiphany, which was kept in the East and in certain Western Churches before being observed in Rome, seems to have been originally a feast of the nativity; January 6, for those churches where it was kept, was the equivalent of Christmas (December 25) in the Roman Church. The feast was introduced at Rome in the second half of the sixth century and became the complement and, so to say, the crown of the Christmas festival.

Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation. St. Leo brings out this point admirably in a sermon, read at Matins, in which he shows in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Saviour . The Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated either on January 6 or, according to the decision of the episcopal conference, on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. The young Messiah is revealed as the light of the nation. Yet, as the antiphon for the Magnificat at Second Vespers reminds us, three mysteries are encompassed in this solemnity: the adoration of the Christ Child by the Magi, the Baptism of Christ and the wedding feast at Cana.

Catholic Culture

## PARISH OPŁATEK - CONVIVAL GATHERING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2024 – 1:00AM-5:00PM IN THE SCHOOL GYM. WE INVITE THE PARISH COMMUNITY TO JOIN IN SHARING OF OPŁATEK. IF YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE A HOMEMADE DISH OF FOOD, IT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU!

### THE INJUSTICE OF ABORTION

### Thursday, January 25, 2024@7:30 pm At Sacred Heart Church Basement

For too long abortion has been dismissed as a personal choice leaving women and men suffering in silence while babies are killed before birth across Canada. On January 25, you are invited to attend The Injustice of Abortion, a free pro-life presentation provided by Guelph & Area Right to Life. During this presentation you will learn about abortion as a human rights violation, keys to effectively dialoging about the issue and how you can help bring hope to those hurting from the trauma of abortion.

### TELL ALL SOULS ABOUT MY MERCY

WHOLE DAY SEMINAR at The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk Street, Guelph, Ontario N1H 4H8 Canada on January 13, 2024 (Saturday). 9am Holy Mass, 9:45am – 3pm Divine Mercy Seminar. Bring your lunch.

Divine Mercy PowerPoint presentation by **Nestor Buendia**, Divine Mercy Apostolate of Canada.

"A great treasury of revelations, teachings, insight, and prayers of the Devotion to the Divine Mercy."

In addition to the many significant revelations of Our Lord about trust and mercy, there are major teachings on several subjects, including the Holy eucharist, Confession, Blessed mother, spiritual life and suffering of others.

Jesus said: "Write down these words, my daughter. Speak to the whole world about My Mercy; let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sigh for the end times; ater it, will come the day of justice. While there is still time, let them have recourse to the fount of My Mercy; let them profit from the blood and water which gushed forth for them". (Diary, 848)

### From Conception to Reality...'' SACRED HEART of JESUS- OUR NEW CHURCH CROSS ''

The history books will show that Fr. Rafal was the one who noticed, back in the summer of 2021, that the church cross was no longer secured in its position on the pier at the top of the church, thus posing a Health and Safety issue! The height of the cross is approximately 40 feet from the ground, and was installed approximately 100 years ago, when that part of the church was built. It was in the fall of 2022 that G.D.M. Construction Services were contracted to remove the existing cross, as well as to prepare the pier for the new cross.

All the manufacturing companies we talked to consider this job too small and would have to wait several months before it could be started. One manufacturer did agree to build it, and when it was finished, they were delivering it to the church, and they had an accident. Everything on their delivery truck was destroyed, including our cross. It was now that we called upon Angelo Stefanelli to design and undertake the management of this project. It was at this point that Angelo thought of installing an internal lighting system, and the front and back of the 5' x 3.5'' x6''cross would have an acrylic surface, so the more that 200 led neon lights would light up the skies!

Angelo then approached Angelo Maggiolo of Durose Manufacturing Ltd. and asked if they would take this project on. Durose is an international manufacturing giant, and the busiest of all companies that were approached. They agreed to help us, as Mr. Maggiolo remembered his connection with his younger days to Sacred Heart, and it was there that he and his lovely wife, Luisa, were married!

Production began at the plant, when time allowed, and the two Angelos would work on it together. Finally, after several more months, the structure of the cross was completed. The cross was then moved to Stefanelli's house, where, in his garage, he prepared the frame for the acrylic panels and the lights. Upon completion of this job, the cross was then delivered to our church basement, where the lights and panels were installed. The cross is now ready to be installed.

Angelo approached Lovett Signs to install the cross. They accepted the job, and after the job was completed, decided to donate their time and services! George Lucchese, of George's Electric had offered his services at the first mention of this project back in 2021. He also donated his time and all materials!

It was indeed the hard work of Angelo Stefanelli, with his many talents, and his foresight created this cross, and that put this project together, and made it a reality! We also would like to acknowledge Peter Bernardi and Alex Stocco for their assistance in helping Angelo.

When you look up at the cross, you will notice that the center of the cross has a red circle in the middle. This red circle represents the Blood that Our Lord shed on the cross for our sins. When we gaze upon the dazzling light radiating from the cross, we are to remember Our Lord's words...'' I AM THE WAY!''

The cross was installed on a very cold and windy Thursday, November 16th morning. On that morning, we had the honour and pleasure of having Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki, Fr. Don Sanvido, both Spiritual Sons of Sacred Heart Parish, and our Pastor, Fr. Wieslaw Berdowicz S. Chr., to Bless and Dedicate the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Church Cross.

This past Sunday, the 31st of December 2023, we officially lit the skies, with the words from the beautiful "Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus". All who attended the mass, were given complimentary prayer cards containing the "Prayer to

Sacred Heart of Jesus", and the "Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus" (partial), and a brief history of the beginning of our parish in 1908, and a list of pastors, from the priests who served our community from the days of our existence as a Mission and Chapel to today! Compliments of the MacIntyre Family. Thank You! MAY GOD BLESS EVERYONE!

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