

# BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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## Vocation Seeds

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If He is contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## Email Scams are becoming more common

We have been advised that there are more and more email scams out there. Many of these scammers impersonate the parish priest, or most recently Cardinal Francis Leo. The scammers usually ask for donations or gift cards. Do not respond should you receive such emails. Cardinal Leo only communicates through an [archtoronto.org](mailto:archtoronto.org) email address, and would not directly ask any parishioner for money through email.

## Cold and Flu Season Precautions

If you are sick, please stay home. Maintain good hygiene especially at Mass and parish gatherings. Sneeze or cough into a tissue or your sleeve, not into your hands. Dispose of tissue in waste bin. Wash or purify your hands right away. Try to avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, nose or mouth. Most germs spread by hand contact. There are hand sanitizers at the entrance of the church for your use. Please do not receive Holy Communion in the hand if you are holding a Kleenex in either hand.

## St. Aidan Parish Library Book of the Month

Beautiful Hope – Finding Hope Everyday in a Broken World by various Catholic authors. Today, many are worried about the future and what it holds. If we are to become people who shines the light of our Faith, we need an infusion of Hope so we can see clearly and live boldly as children of God. Borrow this book and many other wonderful books about our Faith, at our parish library which is open after all weekend Masses.

It is because of faith that we exchange the present for the future.– St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday January 11:

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving of Rodis Fernando  
+Lina Montenari  
+Roque Manrique Jr.  
+Bernales Pacampara  
+Joseph Odermatt  
+Tristram Patterson  
+Tessaledet Kidane  
All Souls in Purgatory

### Sunday January 12:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Benny Kwok  
  
10:30 am Birthday Blessings for Christine Dometita  
  
12:00 pm Pro-Populo

### Monday January 13:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Kimmy Kong

### Tuesday January 14:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

### Wednesday : January 15:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving  
Conversion of All Criminals  
Special Intentions of Acheron-Vasquez Family  
In Thanksgiving of Enid Voothe & Family  
+Marita Salvosa

### Thursday January 16:

9:00 am +Benson Golong

### Friday January 17:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intentions  
  
7:30 pm +Susana Atchico

### Saturday January 18:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intentions

**Sanctuary Lamp**  
Safe Travel

There is a plentiful multitude of words, but there is no profit from random and foolish talking.– St. Gregory of Neocaesarea

# January 12, 2025

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## Valentine's Day Dinner & Dance

The Knights of Columbus will be holding our annual Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance on Saturday February 15, at 6:30 pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$50.00 each. To purchase or reserve one, please contact either GK Luis Dizon (647-862-6717) or SK Wilfred Gomez (416-388-0478).

## Nativity Scene Contest

A heartfelt thank you to all the participants of our Nativity Scene Contest. Your creativity, craftsmanship, and festive spirit truly displayed in your creation. Each crib reflected the beauty of the season, and we are so grateful for the effort you put into making this contest a success.

Congratulations to our winners: Maricon De Rosas, Chris Yen and Clement Emmanuel. The winning scenes will be uploaded to the parish website. Fr. Steven with CWL members will present the prizes to the winners after the 12 noon Mass on Sunday January 12.

## Handicraft Holy Land Christians

On the weekend of January 18-19, we will welcome a representative of "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the Masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding Christians' presence in the Holy Land.

Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through prayer and we will have unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every Mass.

Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

May God Bless you and your generosity, for your help and for your prayers.

Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted.

You can visit and support us at  
[www.HolylandChristians.ca](http://www.HolylandChristians.ca)

## Mary Help of Christians

The Legion of Mary invites everyone to attend their monthly Patrician meeting which will be conducted on the 3rd Saturday of every month in the church hall after the 9:00 am morning Mass. The coming Patrician meeting will be held on Saturday January 18 and the topic will be on the "Holy Eucharist.". The purpose of a Patrician meeting is to enhance our knowledge and our ability to speak confidently and persuasively about our Catholic beliefs. We invite our parish family to come and learn more about the Catholic faith, in a friendly and social atmosphere. Coffee and biscuit will be served.

## Saint Aidan Book Club

The Book club is meeting on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30pm at St. Aidan's to discuss the book, "The Reluctant Disciple" by David Wells. Wells is a fantastic storyteller: wry, funny, self-deprecating and down to earth. From watching a dragonfly land on the back of his son's hand to heading off after work for a pint at the local bar, every moment in his story has something to offer. To register, contact Rosario Dizon at 416-731-0484

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Tel:647-772-1319

[www.svdptoronto.org](http://www.svdptoronto.org)

It is easy to do things for our own families and loved ones, but to give of our substance for the stranger who is in need is the real test of our charity and love for our fellowmen. - Nathan Eldon Tanner

## Thank You

The Social Committee of St. Aidan's Parish would like to thank all the Kids who attended the Christmas Party on December 21. A special thank you to all parishioners who donated toys for the kids. The kids had fun and it was a great success.

All for God and for God's glory. In whatever you do, think of the glory of God as your main goal.-  
-St. John Bosco

## Movie Night

Thanks to the effort of our CWL and Knights of Columbus our next Movie Night will be on Saturday January 25, right after the 5:00 pm Mass, starting at 6:15. We will be showing the movie Courageous. It is about how the loss of a child can cause parents to become better parents. It is about having a positive attitude and trusting God can help us through difficult times and obtain many blessings. We will have a group discussion half way through the movie and at the end of it. The Movie Nights are free. We will be selling pizza and popcorn with water for \$5. If you know you will be attending, please register in advance at our Gift Shop so they know how much pizza to order.