EPIPHANY

Today we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. As a child I referred to this time as "Little Christmas". I had mixed feelings about the celebration because it meant taking down the Christmas tree and putting away the decorations, etc. for another year so it made me sad. But I was also pleased because it was a happy occasion when the Baby Jesus was honoured by the three Magi who brought important gifts for Him. These three men named Caspar, Balthazar and Melchior came with joy in their hearts to visit the Christ Child bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The gifts themselves were not practical ones - though when Joseph took Mary and Jesus and fled to Egypt they were easy to transport and could be sold to provide their livelihood. In religion class in high school, I learned that the gifts were themselves rich in symbolism. Gold was the sign of kingship - kings were crowned in gold. So, gold was representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense was an acknowledgement that He was God - representative of a divine birth. Myrrh was a symbol of the human nature of Jesus. Myrrh was an oil used in preparing the dead for burial so it symbolized the death Jesus would suffer later.

The Magi made the effort to seek God. Because they trusted and believed that the sign they saw in the sky - the star that led them to the humble manger, they were able to recognize the King of Kings. Pope Francis has stated that "Their example helps us to lift our gaze to the star and to follow the great desires of our hearts. They teach us not to content ourselves with a mediocre life with 'coasting it, playing it safe', but to let ourselves always be fascinated by what is good, true and beautiful... by God, who is all of this, in an always greater way. The Lord's star may not always overwhelm by its brightness, but it is always there: it takes you by the hand in life and accompanies you. We give a gift pleasing to Jesus when we care for a sick person, spend time with a difficult person, help someone for the sake of helping. These are gifts freely given, and they cannot be lacking in the lives of Christians."

Reading about the Epiphany makes me think of gifts..... both giving and receiving. I appreciate the gifts I have received and also appreciate the joy that comes with giving gifts to others. It also reminds me to think about how we use the gifts we receive. I think "Am I being the mother and wife that God intends? Am I using my own personal talents to the fullest extent?" The gifts of the wise men allow us to ponder our own gifts; those given to us by God which we share with our family, our community, and in our workplaces.

The beginning of a new year is a wonderful opportunity for us to seek God afresh in our lives. May we all be blessed with a deepening gift of new vision, appreciation, and thankfulness as we move out along the fresh pathway of 2019.

Cathy Keirstead





January 6, 2019 Epiphany of the Lord

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES

St. Augustine's: Friday—12:00 noon

Saturday—4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m.

St. Lawrence O'Toole: Sunday —9:00 a.m.; dimanche—9h00

Our Lady of Mercy: Saturday 4:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery: Linda Evans 389-9300

Ray of Hope Needy Kitchen: 857-4224 Meals served: Monday to Friday 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 857-2088

Regular Depot Hours

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.



Saint Augustine's 340 Dominion Street Moncton, NB



Saint Lawrence O'Toole 2340 Route 115 Irishtown, NB



Our Lady of Mercy 11 St. Andrews Street Pointe-du-Chêne, NB

Daily Readings

Memorial: St. Andre Bessette Monday

1 John 3:22, 4-6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52

Thursday 1 John 4:19, 5:4; Luke 4:14-22

Fríday 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16

Sunday

Memorial: St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Saturday 1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30

Feast: Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22





St. Augustine's Saturday, January 12th Sunday, January 13th

Main entrance of St. Augustine's following the masses.

CHICKEN FRICOT. **Crackers and Cookies** \$5.00

In support of the Ray of Hope Kitchen. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Rosary

Community Prayer Group

7:00 p.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Adoration, Silence, Prayers for Vocations

9:15 am—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

12:15pm- St. Augustine's: Faith Developmnet

Monday, January 7th

St. Augustine's Church Basement: Gathering for Children and Parents preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, January 8th

6:30p.m.—St. Augustine's: Faith Development

10:00 a.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: Goodie Sunday

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1:30 p.m.– St. Augustine's: Adoration and

7:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Living Word**

Sunday, January 6th

Sunday, January 13th

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	05	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Late Mary & Fred Swift, Mathilda & Susan Fahey	
		4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Irene	Sister Yolande Leger
Sur	า 06	9:00 a.m.	SLOT	Late Patrick Firth	Dale & Jean Ryan
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Don & Anne Lahanky	Children & Families
Fri	11	12:00 noon	St. A	Late Paula Marie LeBouthillier	Doug and Brigid Sullivan
Sat	12	4:00 p.m.	St. A	Late Joseph Longphee	George and Cindy Mayo
		4:00 p.m.	OLM	Late Angeb Tagay de Mayo	Parishioner
Sur	า 13	9:00 a.m.	SLOT	Late Harry Wynberg	John and Diane Haché
		11:00 a.m.	St. A	Late Archbishop Daniel Bohan	Family
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LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: \$2,637.00 (136 env); Loose: **\$796.00**; Christmas Offering: \$1,856.70 (53 env); Candles: \$110.00; Christmas Flowers: \$50.00; Needy at Christmas: \$280.00 (4 env.): Building Fund: \$125.00 (6 env.); Ray of Hope: \$150.00 (3 env.); New Year's Day: **\$1,072.00**: (42env); Candles: \$60.00: Donation: \$1,000.00 Pre-Authorized: \$ 385.00(14 env.). January 1st Mass was cancelled.

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes December 24th: \$508.00 (6 env.); Envelopes: **\$1,265.00** (39 env.): Loose: **\$100.00**; New Year's: **\$318.00** (19 env.): Loose: **\$149.26:** Christmas Offering: **\$757.00** (32 env); Christmas Loose: \$533.25; Pre-Authorized: \$30.00 (2 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Envelopes: \$775.00 (41 \$475.85 env.): Loose: Candles: \$103.95; Christmas Offering: \$140.00; New Year's Offering: \$235.00; Initial Envelope: \$45.00

Thank you for your generosity!

2019 Envelopes are available at the back of the Church as well as envelopes for pre-authorized users.



DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the Cy and Pat Edmonds and family on the sudden death of her brother Bob MacDonald. May he

rest forever in the loving embrace of God.



GOODIE SUNDAY

will be held at St. O'Toole Lawrence immediately following mass next Sunday, January 13th. All are welcome.



QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS **SENIORS GROUP** extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon socializing, board games or cards on

Monday, January 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The elevator will be available for this gathering which is held in the Fr. Peter McKee room in St. Augustine's Church basement. For information, contact Norma at 384-0605.

From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development 45 York Street



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TRANSFORMED THROUGH EUCHARIST

- † What happens during the Eucharist?
- † How important is Eucharist to you?
- † Why are you preparing your child to make their First Communion?

If you are parents of children who are preparing to receive Communion for the first time from any parish in the English sector, we ask that you attend this session on Thursday, January 10th from 6:30-8:00/8:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church Hall on Falkland Street. We will offer an overview of the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and talk about how, through the Eucharist, the bread and wine and the assembly are transformed again into the Body of Christ. Please contact Ellen or your parish catechetical coordinator to register. Please note that this session is open to any who are interested in attending.

The **SACRAMENT PREPARATION RESOURCE COMMITTEE** will meet this <u>Wednesday</u>, January 9th at 2:00 p.m. at the Diocesan Offices on York Street.

PARISH CATECHETICAL COORDINATORS will meet Monday, January 14th.

The **ADULT FAITH COMMISSION** is scheduled to meet Tuesday, January 15th.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES from various parishes of the English Deanery will meet with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January 20th</u>. Candidates are to arrive between 1:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. This gathering will conclude approximately 4:30 p.m.



"We have journeyed together this past year and perhaps for some 'newcomers' these past few months and for this, thanks be to God. Thank you most sincerely for your beautiful smile, good wishes, prayers, Christmas cards & generous gifts which reflect your kindness, respect and love for us. A special THANK YOU for all the additional efforts and help towards our past and ongoing

Celebrations (Christmas, New Years', etc) in whatever ministry or service rendered. Warmest Regards. Fr. Laurence & Fr. JB, Priest-Assistants.

Faith Development families gather in St. Augustine's Church basement for sessions.

Level 1-3

9:15 a.m. Session #8 Sunday, January 6th Session #9 Sunday, January 20th

Level 4-6

12:15 p.m. Session #8 Sunday, January 6th

Session #9 Sunday, January 20th

Level 4-6

6:30 p.m. Session #8 Tuesday, January 8th

Session #9 Tuesday, January 22nd

A GATHERING FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES AND SPONSOR OR PARENT will be held in St. Augustine's Church basement on Monday, January 7th at 6:30 p.m.

A gathering for **CHILDREN AND PARENTS PREPARING TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** will be held in St. Augustine's basement on <u>Monday</u>, <u>January 21st</u> at 6:30 p.m.



Knights of Columbus

St. Augustine's Council #7940 are closing council and will formally retire their Charter at 11:00 am Mass, January 13th 2019 Thank

you to All Parishioners who supported us over these many years.



November 2018

Meals Served - 2,284 (YTD - 27,557) Volunteer Hours - 482 (YTD - 6,763) Soup To Go - \$621.00

Thank you for your support!



Last weekend the following children were welcomed into our Christian Family through the **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** at St. Augustine's

Talia Darquise Goguen daughter of Andrea Goguen

Mia Michelle Jardine
daughter of Tyson and Michelle