

CATHEDRAL NEWS

MAJOR RELICS OF CANADIAN SAINTS

On Sunday, January 12, 2025 we will have the major relics of Saint Jean de Brébeuf and Saint Catherine Tekakwitha at the Cathedral. There will be time for veneration of the relics from 12 noon to 1 PM, & from 2 to 4 PM. On Monday January 13 at 12:10 PM, there will be a special Mass with the relics and further opportunity after Mass for veneration of relics.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES

2025 Offering Envelope Boxes are now available for pick up from the entrance to the Cathedral. **Please do not use old envelopes from previous years in 2025.** If you currently do not use envelopes and would like a box for 2025 please contact the office.

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

2024 Tax receipts will be mailed out in February. If you recently moved, please contact the parish office to update your mailing address so that we can send your tax receipt to the correct address. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Cathedral over the past year both materially and in prayer.

SFA SCHOOL ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS

Openings are available at St. Francis of Assisi Preschool and Elementary School for September 2025. We encourage anyone interested to reach out for more information: 604 253 7311 or via email at office@sfaschool.ca. For more info please visit www.SFASchool.ca.

HOLY HOUR & HAPPY HOUR, JAN. 17 AT 8 PM

Join the young adults of the Cathedral for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and reconciliation followed by fellowship at a local pub. For more information visit: www.facebook.com/hrcyoungadults/ or send an email to hrc.youngadults@gmail.com



EPIPHANY LATIN MASS & CHALKING OF THE DOOR

On Monday January, 6 at 6:30 PM there will be a Sung Mass in Latin for the Feast of the Epiphany. All are welcome to attend. After Mass there will be blessed chalk available for the Epiphany Blessing or "Chalking of the Door." The Chalking of the doors is an ancient Catholic tradition. With it we dedicate our year to God, asking His blessing on our homes and on all who live, work, or visit.

The formula for the ritual is simple: take chalk of any colour and write the following above the entrance of your home: 20 + C + M + B + 25.

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Wise Men, or Magi: Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar. In the Feast of the Epiphany we commemorate their visit to Our Lord. The letters also abbreviate the Latin phrase, *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "25" at the end remind us of the year. This inscription is done to ask Our Lord to bless our home throughout the year that is beginning.

CATHEDRAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 12 PM and 1 - 4:30 PM.

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January 5, 2025
The Epiphany

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DEACONS



SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 5:10 PM anticipated Mass
Sunday 8 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM in Latin
6:30 PM in Spanish, 8 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES
7:15 AM, 12:10 PM and 5:10 PM
Latin Mass: Fridays at 6:30 PM

CONFESSIONS
Mon - Sat. 11 to 11:45 AM & 4 to 4:45 PM
Sundays from 9 to 9:30 AM
Spanish Confessions: Sundays from 6 to 6:25 PM

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DEVOTIONS & SPIRITUAL LIFE

Sunday Vespers and Benediction: 5:30 PM

First Friday devotions to the Sacred Heart: After 6:30 PM Latin Mass

Rosary: Monday to Saturday at 11:40 AM & 4:40 PM

Adoration: Fridays from 12:45 PM to 3:30 PM



CATHEDRAL LIFE

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on most Sundays at 2:30 PM. Baptism are for Cathedral parishioners or those who live in the boundaries of the Cathedral. Please call the Cathedral office to find out more.

MARRIAGES

Bookings should be made at least six months in advance. Couples please contact the Cathedral office for information.

MUSIC & CHOIRS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Please contact music director, Catherine Walsh at catherine.organist@gmail.com for more info.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

For more info, please contact: Father Stanley Galvon.

HRC YOUNG ADULTS

Contact: hrcyoungadults@gmail.com; http://facebook.com/hrcyoungadults

LATIN MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

At the Cathedral we have a Traditional Mass community. Masses on Friday (6:30 PM) and Sundays (4 PM). Coordinator: Daniel Chan.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Contact Jane Rosenthal at janemrose@telus.net.

LEGION OF MARY

If you would like to get involved please contact Ave, (778)896 0649.

ALTAR MINISTRY

The Cathedral has a team of dedicated men who serve at specific Masses. To become an Altar Server or a reader please contact the Master of Ceremonies, Fr. Santa Maria: psantamaria@rcav.org

HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD

This is an all-women ministry of the Couples for Christ Info. Grace Inonog: grace.inonog@yahoo.com

HISPANIC COMMUNITY

The weekly Spanish Mass now caters to the Spanish -speaking community in our parish: comunidadhispanahrc@gmail.com

CATHEDRAL BELL RINGERS

Our eight bells are rung by hand by a dedicated band of bell ringers. Visit www.vscr.ca for more info.

THE EPIPHANY

Epiphany means "showing". In today's Solemnity the Church remembers the first showing of the Son of God made man to the whole world, which took place during the adoration of the magi. This celebration of faith reminds us of the universal nature of the mission of Christ. Jesus Christ the Messiah came into the world to fulfill the promises made to Israel and to extend salvation to all people.

The Solemnity of the Epiphany was made into a universal feast of the Church in the fourth century. The Magi represent all the races and nations on earth. They are people who have a thirst for God, a longing to worship the true God. They have allowed themselves to be guided by an external sign - a star which shone with a special light.

Saint Bonaventure has observed that the star which guides the magi and us is composed of three parts: holy scripture, the Blessed Virgin Mother Mary and the graces we receive from the Holy Spirit. These will guide us to a deeper and deeper closeness with Jesus.

On this Solemnity we cannot go to Jesus empty handed. Of course, He does not need our offerings because He is the Creator of all things. But He wants us to be generous so that we may receive even more graces and gifts from Him. He is never outdone in generosity. Fr. Francis Fernandez suggests that we put at Jesus's disposal the "gold" of our respectful kindness to others. As well, we present Him with the "frankincense" of our prayers and service to the true needs of others. And to deepen our

prayer we gave Him the "myrrh" of our sacrifices united to the sacrifice of the cross.

Epiphany of the Lord Pope St John Paul II said that the same Christ who in Bethlehem as a child accepted the gifts of the magi is still the one to whom people "open their treasures." The gifts of the human spirit in this act of offering oneself before God incarnate then take on a special value.

On this Epiphany and everyday we can be sure that everything we hand over to God receives the new value of goodness for ourselves and others.



Picture on Cover: The Epiphany, by Bartolo di Fredi (1330 - 1410)