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*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish
"Home of the Franciscans of Halifax"*

*The Epiphany of the Lord
January 6, 2018*

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Daily Mass Intentions

St. Theresa's

Tues. Jan 8	9:00am	Dorothy Murphy †
Wed. Jan 9	9:00am	Kay Joyce †
Thurs. Jan 10	9:00am	All the intentions in the book
Fri. Jan 11	9:00am	George Huyghue †

St. Catherine's

Sat. Jan. 12 9:00am Christina MacDonald †

Liturgy



What is Epiphany?

The Feast of the Epiphany, or Manifestation (revelation) of Christ to the Gentiles, is observed on January 6th.

Epiphany comes from a Greek word meaning "showing forth, appearance, manifestation, revelation." The Feast of Epiphany proclaims the good news that Jesus revealed God to all humanity.

At Christmas the church celebrates the birth of Jesus, when God entered fully into the human experience. The Feast of the Epiphany takes the Christmas proclamation a step further, when the divine revelation in Jesus was revealed to the world as the magi came from the east.

Unlike the poor shepherds, the Magi had to travel a long road; they had to face adversity to reach their goal. It was anything but a romantic, sentimental pilgrimage that we often see in our manger scenes.



The experience of the Magi reminds us that all who make the tedious journey to the truth will finally encounter it and be changed in the process. They can never go back to a "business as usual" way of life. When we meet Christ and see who he really is, we will never be the same – and only then can we hope to begin to share in this mission.



Donations for **Christmas Flowers** have been received in memory of:

Michael and Annie Resk

Thank you also to all who made a general donation towards Christmas flowers.

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday–Friday 9:00am at St. Theresa's
Saturday 9:00am at St. Catherine's

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday 11:00 am
7:00pm (rosary at 6:25pm)

Confessions at St. Catherine's:

Saturday following the 9:00am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday–Friday 9:30 am–4:30 pm
in St. Theresa's Chapel

Religious Education



Next Sunday, January 13th, a **Children's Liturgy** will be celebrated during the 11:00 am Mass.

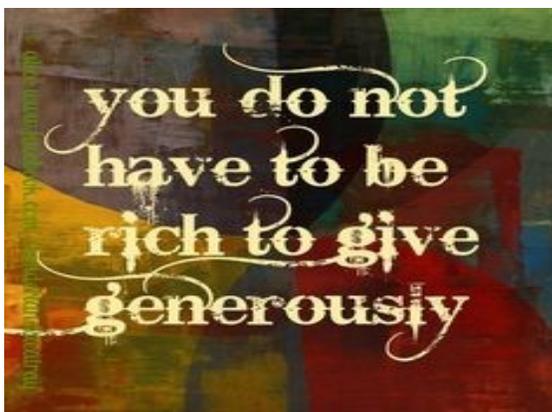
Meetings

St. Catherine's Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, January 15th, at 6:45 pm in the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

A JOYFUL HEART IS GOOD MEDICINE!



Stewardship—A Way of Life



2019 SUNDAY ENVELOPES - Parishioners are reminded to pick up their box of Sunday envelopes that may be found at the entrance to the Church. If you do not have Sunday envelopes and would like to begin, please fill out a registration card found at the entrance of the church and submit it in the collection basket. Using envelopes enable you to receive a tax receipt for your donations.

Pre-Authorized Debit Giving Option (PAD) **at St. Catherine's:**

If you have automatic debits taken from your bank account to pay your bills, then you already understand the PAD concept. Did you know that you can give to the church in the same way? Using the PAD program for your offering allows you to give intentionally, proportionally and faithfully to the church, even when you are not able to be there in person. The PAD system replaces the need to write cheques or have cash on hand. You can still participate in the Sunday offertory by placing your numbered envelope in the regular collection basket and checking the PAD option which is pre-printed on each envelope. It's easy to get started. Forms and further information can be found at the back of the Church.

Stewardship is...

*"Then opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."
(Matthew 2:11)*

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow all year long.

In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share **all** of our gifts.

...**EVERYTHING** we think, say, and do after we say "I believe"