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The Eastern Church has always considered Jesus' baptism to be his first manifestation (epiphany) to the world. As Jesus leaves the water of the Jordan River, the Father claims him as dearly beloved Son and the Spirit rests upon him. Jesus is called to begin his work of reclaiming the world for God. The opening verses of today's Old Testament reading, a Servant song, foreshadow God's acknowledgment of his Son at the baptism and describe the work of that servant: to effect justice, share vision, and liberate everyone. Jesus' ministry fulfills Isaiah's prophecy as he liberates from social evils and, through the crosses, from sin itself. He is able to do this, Peter reminds us in his homily in Acts, because he is filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. God acts through him to restore the world to justice and peace. The psalm evokes that time when God's glory will be fully manifested. Jesus' work will be complete when human liberation is the outward sign of our state as God's children, his chosen ones who delight him.



The Baptism of the Lord – January 11, 2015

Jesus' identity is revealed as "The Son of God" through His baptism in the Jordan. Our identity as "children of God" is revealed through our baptism. Our lives then, must constantly witness Jesus as Lord. If you think that God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux

at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org or call Fr. Victor Mallia ocd at 416-757-2806 or email him at olfatima@rogers.com for further information.

DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2015

This is the final weekend for parishioners to pick up their box of donation envelopes for 2015 from the back of the church. These are sorted in trays – in alphabetical order – according to the family's last name. They will then be available from the parish office. Boxes still uncollected by mid-February will be recycled and registration restricted or cancelled.



Interested in a P.A.G.[Pre-Authorized Giving] Plan?



Pick up a flyer with more information about what is the 'pre-authorized giving' plan and how parishioners can participate. Is your personal data as registered in our records updated? Please inform the office (416-757-2806) about any changes in your

information ... new address or new phone number or added members to your household!
Update your data before we issue the tax receipts for 2014.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY for 2015

The Children's Liturgy meetings resume this Sunday Jan 11, 2015 during the 10.30 am Mass. We would like to see more children participating in this liturgy. Parents are encouraged to participate in the Christian education of their children by seeing that they go to church every Sunday with their kids and encourage them to be active in the children's liturgy meetings.

Mass Schedule		January 12-18 2015
Mon 12	8:00 am	Donor's intention
Tues 13	8:00 am	Theresa O'Neil
Wed 14	7:00 pm	Concetta Pucci [D]
Thur 15	8:00 am	Terri Shpak [D]
Fri 16	8:00 am	Casimiro & Praxedes Roma[D]
Sat 17	9:00 am	Jose Bautista [I] – Thanksgiving
	4:30 pm	Domenico & Maria Piacente [D]
Sun 18 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:30 am	Wai-Fan Leung [D]
	12:15 pm	Cheok Than [D]

Please note ...

The Lord's Flock prayer group will resume regular meetings this Sunday, Jan 11 in the church hall from 2.00 to 4.00 pm.



First Communion & Confirmation classes – 2015

We remind parents, students and candidates registered in our parish's classes for 2015 that classes start meeting this weekend. For First Communion applicants, classes are on Sundays at 9.30 to 10.15 am (for applicants in public schools) and at the 10.30 am Mass for all as of this Sunday. Applicants in the Confirmation class start regular classes on Saturday – 2.30 to 4.00 pm – January 17. Attendance is mandatory for all meetings and the Sunday Eucharist. See the notes and schedule attached to the application form.

Are you new in the parish?

Please consider registering with us. Visit or phone the parish office at 416-757-2806, for more details.



One can also download a registration form from our website www.fatimashrine.ca and return it to the office or to our custodian at the back of the church over the weekend.

Your support means so much to us! Thank you.

LUCIA DOS SANTOS OCS COMMUNITY

The community's monthly meeting is on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 in the church hall. The community meeting starts at 7.00 pm.





The Baptism of the Lord – Sunday, Jan 11
The feast of the **Baptism of the Lord** concludes the Christmas season. The regular Sunday schedule for Masses is followed and there will be **Children's Liturgy at the 10.30 am Mass** and the **Lord's Flock** prayer meeting at 2.00 pm.

Fatima devotions – Wednesday, Jan 14
The regular **Fatima devotions** start at 6.30 pm and followed by holy Mass.

Priests' monthly zone meeting – Thursday, Jan 15
The priests' **monthly Zone Meeting** will be at St. Lawrence's Parish Church at 10.00 am. The SENIORS' CLUB **weekly meeting in the church hall** is at the regular time.

RCIA sessions continue – Saturday, Jan 17
The **RCIA session starts at 10.00 am** in our usual meeting room on the stage in the church hall.

Weekend activities – Sunday, Jan 18
The regular schedule for Sunday activities is followed: **First Holy Communion** class is at 9.30 am; **Children's Liturgy** is at the 10.30 am Mass and **The Lord's Flock** prayer meeting will take place at 2.00 pm as usual.

Remember to regularly visit our website ...
www.fatimashrine.ca
Bulletin and Announcements updated weekly

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Celebrated on Sunday, February 1, 2015
at 3 pm at **St. Paul's Basilica**



Come and See Weekend Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2015



"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartedly. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call. **"Come and See"** is for you a challenge to respond to this invitation! This is an opportunity for young men of 18 years or older to spend a weekend at our Archdiocesan Seminary for time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood.

Call Fr. Chris Lemieux at (416) 968-0997 or email vocations@vocations.ca.

Dear God,
Please keep my family, friends, and loved ones safe. Please watch over them always, and let good health, happiness, and good fortune befall them. AMEN!

THOUGHTS OF CHRISTMAS



A baby boy a virgin birth
A Loving God has blessed the earth
The gift to all that we require
the peace and joy of our Messiah.
To shed the light from dark of sin
To let the beam of love shine in
His precious blood of sacrifice
His deeds and words of good advice
Oh God My God implant in me
encouragement to walk with thee.

By the grace of God.....Dennis Hayes.....08-Dec-2014

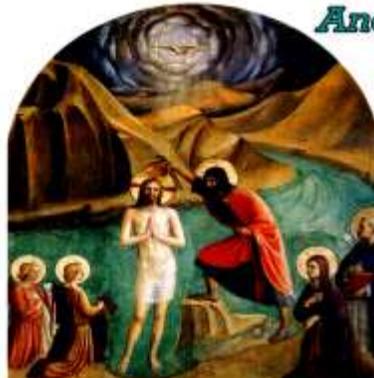
Money says earn me.
Calendar says turn me.
Time says plan me.
Future says win me.
Beauty says love me.
But GOD simply says remember me

THE BEST OF PRESENTS IS THE PRESENCE OF GOD



At Christmas time
In wonder we shine
We give and receive
Presents that please
We celebrate with all our worth
The Awesome, Blessed, Jesus birth
With peace on earth to all goodwill
Isaiah's words he will fulfill
For he will live and he will say
I am the truth, the word, the way
Oh Lord My God the best of presents
Your Everlasting, Glorious, Presence.

By the grace of God.....Dennis Hayes.....20-Dec-2014



And a voice came from heaven:
"You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Mark 1:11