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**Sunday Masses**  
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am

**Weekday Masses**  
See Schedule  
on the inside of the bulletin

**In Office Hours**  
Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Administrative Assistant**  
**Financial Recorder**  
Sandy Johnson

**Reconciliation/Confessions**  
Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

**Requesting Sacraments**  
Interview and Classes Required

**St Martin Elementary School**  
Phone 905-957-3032

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**January 8, 2023 - Year - A**  
**The Epiphany of the Lord**

# January 8, 2023

## The Epiphany of the Lord - Year A

### MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS, PARISH CALENDAR

**Recitation of the Holy Rosary takes place before each Weekday Mass beginning at 8:35 am**

Mon	Jan 9	<b>Baptism of the Lord. Christmas Season Concludes.</b> 9:00 am Intention Available 7:45 pm - 9:30 pm Scripture Study: Letters of the New Testament by Zoom	Fr. Christopher
Tues	Jan 10	<b>First Week in Ordinary Time</b> 9:00 am +Barbara Elizabeth Repp 9:30 am - 10:45 am Choir Practice 11:00 am - Funeral Mass at St. Joseph for Maria McPherson 7:00 pm Parish Maintenance Committee Meeting	by Andrew & Caroline Steger  Fr. Christopher
Wed	Jan 11	9:00 am +Connie Krasko 10:30 am 12 Noon Gethsemane Centre Mass/Adoration Confessions 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Catholic Women's League Monthly Meeting	by the Newman Family Fr. Christopher
Thurs	Jan 12	9:00 am +Barbara Elizabeth Repp 9:30 am - 10:30 am Parish Bible Study Group 5:30 pm Loaf of Bread Dinner in St. Martin's Parish Hall	by Andrew & Caroline Steger  Fr. Christopher & Team
Fri	Jan 13	7:30 am - 8:15 am That Man Is You - Paradisus Dei - Men's Rosary Group 9:00 am For the special intentions of Fr. Christopher 10:30 am - 12 Noon Pastoral Home Visits for those who registered. 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Praise and Worship at Gethsemane Centre	Fr. Christopher by Pauline Lewis Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
Sat	Jan 14	<b>The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A</b> 8:00 am - 10:00 am Paradisus Dei That Man Is You Merciful Redeemer Parish 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Development and Peace Zoom Meeting 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions. 5:00 pm +Pro Populo Dei - For the special intentions of St. Martin's Parish Family	Fr. Christopher Fr. Christopher
Sun	Jan 15	10:00 am +Antonio Mancini	by John Buis Assembly 3498

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#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

#### STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES 2023

**Please do not use old envelopes.**

The 2023 Envelope are available in the foyer of the church. Thank you.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

As part of the Synod activities, St. Martin of Tours is expanding our social media presence on Facebook. Please follow the St. Martin of Tours Facebook page! There will be announcements about Mass times and parish events, a weekly spotlight on school activities and introducing Wonder, where we will share answers, information and insights into various aspects of the Catholic Faith. Be sure to Follow, Like and Share our page.

#### DEVELOPMENT and PEACE

##### - CARITAS CANADA

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. It works with partnerships with local organizations in over 30 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Middle East to create justice in the world and to act in solidarity with the most vulnerable people.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place: February 4, 1:30 pm by Zoom.

Diocesan Delegates are: Fr. Christopher Gillen and Jennifer Pothier.

Please visit the D@P website and be informed.

<https://www.devp.org/en/>

#### PARISH MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Scheduled meeting will take place Tuesday, January 10, at 7:00 pm. All members are invited to attend. Repairs are ongoing and Fire Safety Plan to be in place by the end of 2023.

#### WEST LINCOLN LOAF OF BREAD DINNER

Our parish will host for the month of January each Thursday's Dinner/Fellowship beginning January 5th at 5:30 pm. We thank in advance those dedicated volunteers who will be assisting us.

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

##### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 11 Regular Meeting  
- 7:00 pm parish hall
- Jan 18 "Feed Your Tummy, Feed Your Soul"  
- every third Wednesday. Mass at 9 and breakfast following at Lackys.  
Please join us, room for everyone (even husbands)

CWL Membership for 2023 \$35.00. **DUE NOW** and must be forwarded to National this month. You can pay by e-transfer at:

[stmartinscwl@hotmail.com](mailto:stmartinscwl@hotmail.com)

Be sure to say membership fee, or you can pay in person at January meeting.

#### ORDINARY TIME

The Christian year includes two central cycles focused on major events in the life of Christ: the Christmas cycle (Advent-Christmas-Epiphany) and Easter cycle (Lent-Easter-Pentecost). Each of these seasons begins with a time of preparation and anticipation followed by a time of celebration. A season designated as Ordinary Time follows each cycle.

The word "ordinary" here does not mean "routine" or "not special." Instead, it refers to the "ordinal numbers" (first, second, third, etc.) used to name and count the Sundays (such as the Third Sunday after Epiphany). This term comes from the Latin *ordinalis*, meaning "numbered" or "ordered," and *tempus ordinarium*, "measured time."

The first period of Ordinary Time, called the Season after Epiphany, begins on Epiphany Day and ends on the day before Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent). The central theme of this season is the calling of disciples and the early ministry of Jesus.

The second period of Ordinary Time, the Season after Pentecost, follows the Easter cycle. It begins the day after Pentecost and continues to Advent. The purpose of this season is to support new disciples and the whole congregation in living out the gifts and callings discerned during the Easter Season and commissioned on the Day of Pentecost.

Every year, Christians experience the contrast between the central seasons of Christmas and Easter, where we see God in the events around the coming of Christ, and the in-between times, where we see, speak about, and join God's ongoing work in the world.

We thus experience two regular cycles of preparation, celebration, and action in ministry each year, with the Ordinary Times as the primary periods of action. Ordinary Time begins January 10, to Ash Wednesday, February 22, as we break for the season of Lent. Easter is April 9.