



Feast of Mary  
The Mother of God  
January 1, 2022

JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022 MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD  
JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2022 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Tues., Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am Weekday Mass  
Wed., Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am Weekday Mass  
Thurs., Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am Weekday Mass  
Fri., Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> ----- Eastern Orthodox & Ukrainian  
Christmas (*Julian Calendar*)  
9:00 am Weekday Mass (*St. Bro. André*)  
Sat., Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm Baptism of the Lord Vigil Mass  
Sun., Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> Baptism of the Lord Masses

**PLEASE NOTE:** Monday, January 3, 2022 is a Statutory Holiday. The Parish Office will be closed on that day.



Feast of the  
Epiphany of the Lord  
January 2, 2022



*The members of our Pastoral Team and Parish Staff wish to thank each of you for your thoughtful greeting cards and generous gifts, and for your boxes of chocolates and Christmas baking, all gifted to us during this most wonderful time of the year.*  
**Happy New Year!**



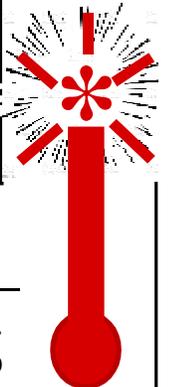
**BISHOP'S SCHEDULE**  
Cathedral Masses  
January 15 & 16, 2022



**CONGRATULATIONS,**  
**ST. PATRICK'S!**

Once again, this year, your customary generosity has helped us reach and far surpass our Parish goal for the 2021 Bishop's Ministry Campaign! Thank-you so much to our parishioners for your many donations. We express a special word of appreciation to one

family who donated the final \$10,000. to push us well over the top! This surplus amount of \$6,270. will be refunded to us for our Parish use in 2022. *Msgr. Pat Stilla.*



**LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS TO THE PARISH**

Christmas Collection .....	\$ 10, 447.90
December 26 <sup>th</sup> Collection .....	4, 858.35
Online Donations (Dec. 19-26) .....	625.00
Renovations Collection ( <i>more</i> ).....	445.00
Donations: Weddings, Funerals, etc...	370.00
In Memoriums ( <i>S. Tsun &amp; J. Haggarty</i> )..	30.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund.....	20.00
Bulletin Advertising .....	6, 075.00
Missals/Calendar Sales .....	50.00

**MANY THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEER USHERS & COUNTERS!**

**BISHOP'S MINISTRY CAMPAIGN**

2021 Parish Goal .....	\$ 34, 000.
Last week's donations .....	10, 580.
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Total to date .....	\$ 40, 270.
% of Parish Goal .....	118.4 %



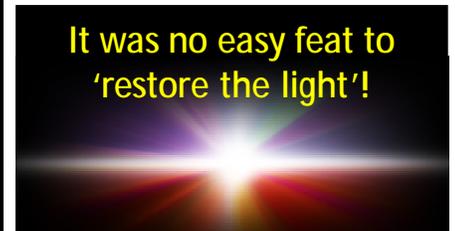
NEWSLETTERS ONLINE

The most recent Provincial and Diocesan Newsletters for December 2021 can be accessed online by going to the Catholic Women's League page on our Parish Website at:

[www.stpatrickscathedral.ca](http://www.stpatrickscathedral.ca)

Also still available on that same page is the Provincial Council's recent "Legislation Directive".

It was no easy feat to 'restore the light'!

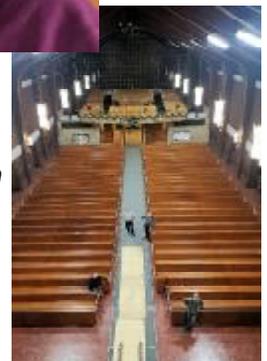


As mentioned last week a volunteer group (Deacon Derek, Mike and Brennan Posmituk, Juliano Brusadin and George Romick) recently replaced the ballast in our (high) ceiling light fixture. These photos will show you just how high that light is ...



Brennan Posmituk at "the top of the world"!

His four other pals offering him support from below, every step of the way!



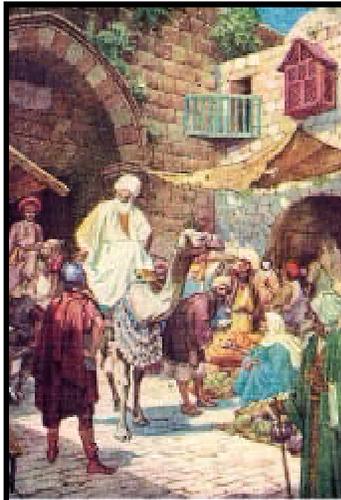
Q. In many Nativity scenes, why are the three wisemen depicted coming to the manger after leaving a city. Did they not travel from the East with their camels across a desert?

A. It is likely that the Wisemen did travel across much wilderness and desert when they followed the star from the East, in their quest to

Herod, 'The Great'

Once thought to be a great king of his people because he had built the Temple in Jerusalem, this Herod

found the "new born King", Matthew's Gospel also tells us that, before reaching their final destination, the Magi's journey included a stop in Jerusalem, where King Herod's palace was located. This is probably the city that is depicted in the Nativity scenes that you have seen.



Diplomatic Protocol It was customary for foreign dignitaries to visit and pay homage to the Ruler of the territory through which they travelled. Before they could fulfil this diplomatic obligation,



the Gospel tells us that the Magi were summoned to Herod's palace by the King himself. Having heard about their quest and fearful of losing



Herod, 'the Great'



Herod Antipas

his power to a new "King of the Jews", he anxiously questioned them about the appearance of the star that they were following. He then asked them to return and to tell him about the whereabouts of this child.

Archelaus and Antipas proved to be as brutal as their father in their ambitious thirst for power. It was Herod Antipas who would one day have John the Baptist beheaded and have Jesus condemned.

proved to be anything but great. In fact he was later described by the Romans, as an 'evil genius of the Judeans who was ready to commit any crime in order to gratify his unbounded ambition'. It is no surprise then, that this king who had murdered members of his own family would order the slaughter of the Holy Innocents in his quest to destroy Jesus.

Three of Herod's Sons After his death, the Romans divided Herod's kingdom among his 3 surviving sons. Archelaus, was given Judea;

Philip, the land east of the Jordan and Herod Antipas, the land of Galilee. Unfortunately, Herod's sons and especially