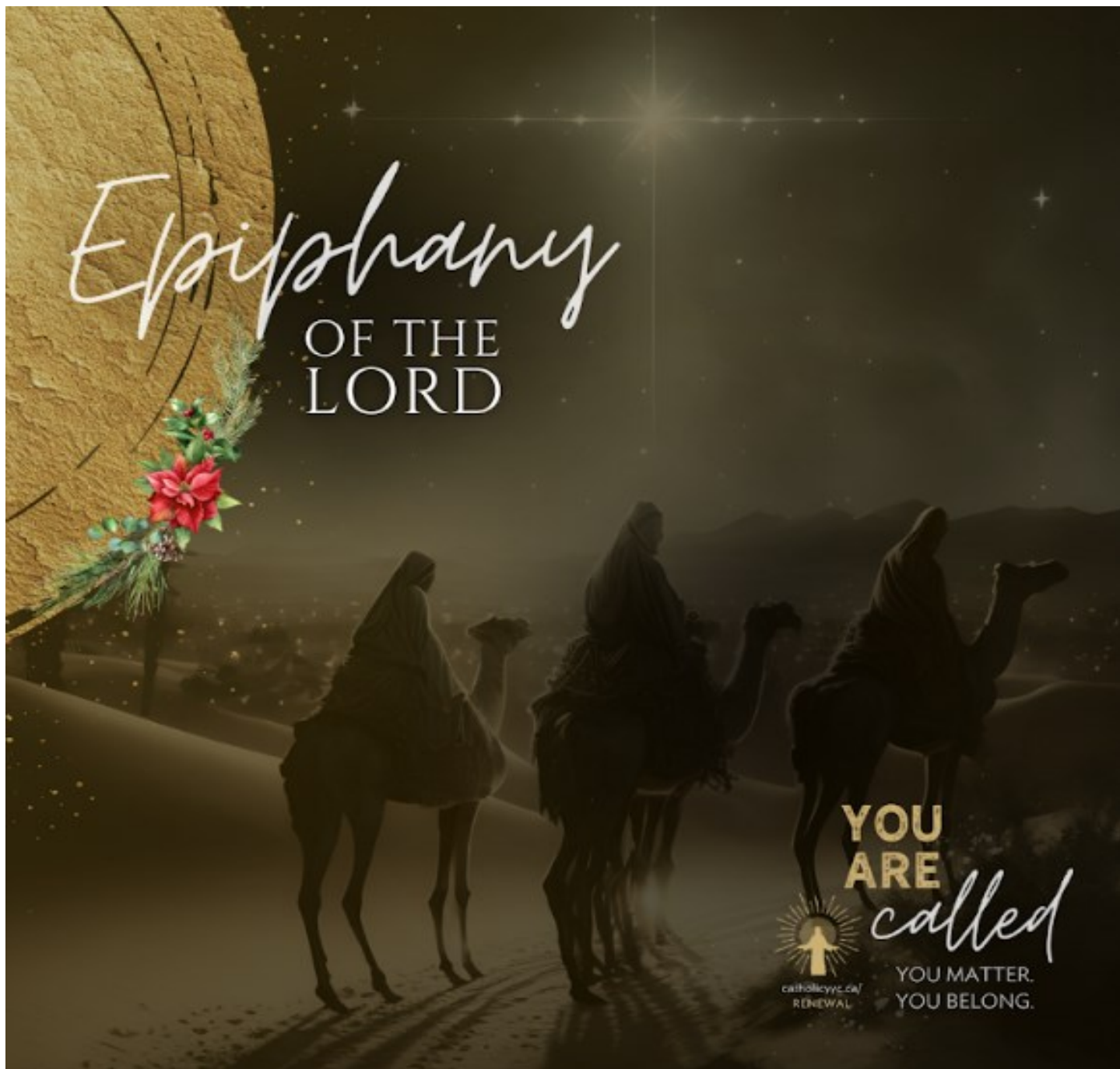


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Jan 6/7, 2024

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am & 11am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Saturday
9:00am

First Friday

Mass at 7pm (no 9am Mass)

PARISH OFFICE

Office is closed on Mondays
Tues to Fri 9am to 4pm
Lunch break 12:00 – 1pm

Are you **NEW** or recent to our parish?

Welcome! If you have been coming consistently for 6 months or more, please pick up a registration form from our Information Desk in the foyer.

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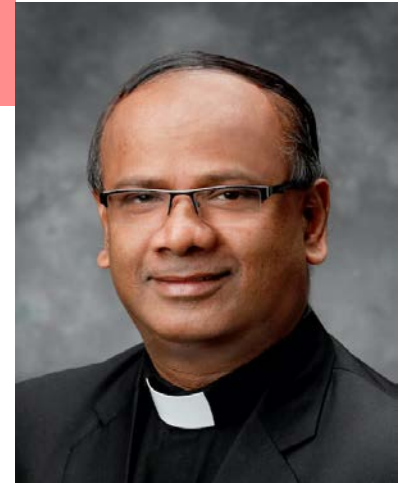
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FR. PAUL'S COLUMN

SAINT OF THE WEEK

**ST. HILARY, BISHOP, AND DOCTOR
OF THE CHURCH**

13TH JAN



St. Hilary was born in Poitiers, a town in southwest France, in 315, into an upper-class, non-Christian family. He was **raised as a pagan**, given a solid liberal education, and was fluent in both Latin and Greek. He was **married and had a daughter** named Apra.

St. Hilary became **aware of the Bible and began to read out of curiosity**. St. Hilary was first struck by the mysterious name of God in the Old Testament: **“I AM WHO I AM.”** He **discovered the Son of God** in the prologue of the John’s Gospel. He had a **deep appreciation for Jesus**, the Gospels which led to his conversion and baptism in 350. Three years later St. Hilary was **elected bishop of Poitiers**.

St. Hilary was a **firm defender of the Trinitarian doctrine of the Council of Nicaea (325)** which declared that **Jesus is divine, eternal, and consubstantial, of the same substance, as the Father**.

St. Hilary is the Patron Saint of **children academically behind, children learning to walk, mothers, and the sick**.

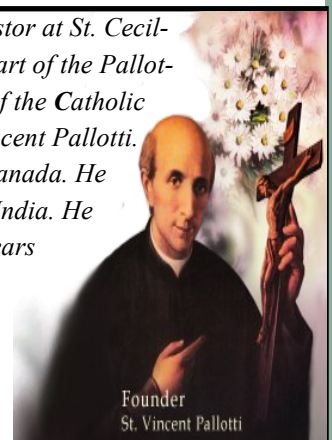
Sayings of the Saint:

“No matter how sinful one may have been, if he has devotion to Mary, it is impossible that he be lost”. **St. Hilary of Poitiers**.

“The chief service I owe you, O God, is that every thought and word of mine should speak of you”. **St. Hilary of Poitiers**.

Fr. Paul Raj, SAC has been the pastor at St. Cecilia's since November 2014 and is part of the Pallottine Fathers Community (Society of the Catholic Apostolate) who's patron is St. Vincent Pallotti. St. Cecilia's is his first parish in Canada. He comes from the Tamil province of India. He was also in the Philippines for 3 years serving and studying.

*To learn more about the Pallottine Fathers please visit their website:
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 6
 9:00am: Int. Frantiska Drapal—Birthday
 5:00pm: †Adoracion and Josue Suple

Sunday, Jan 7
 9:00am: †Tahani Sarophim
 11:00am: All parishioners, living & deceased

Monday, Jan 8
No Mass

Tuesday, Jan 9
 9:00am: Int. Nimalka Jayawickrama—Birthday

Wednesday, Jan 10
 9:00am: Int. James Neil Larway

Thursday, Jan 11
 9:00am: Int. Bob Macht—Birthday

Friday, Jan 12
 9:00am: †June Cummins


Saturday, Jan 13
 9:00am: †Loreto and Estevan Palomo
 5:00pm: Int. Reyes Family—Thanksgiving

Sunday, Jan 14
 9:00am: †Joseph and Mary Stang
 11:00am: All parishioners, living & deceased


<i>Mass Readings</i>	
<u><i>Saturday, Jan 6 (9am)</i></u> 1 John 5.5-13 Mark 1.4-5, 7-11	<u><i>Sunday, Jan 7</i></u> Isaiah 60.1-6 Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12
<u><i>Mon, Jan 8 (no Mass)</i></u> Isaiah 55.1-11 Mark 1.7-11	<u><i>Tuesday, Jan 9</i></u> 1 Samuel 1.9-20 Mark 1.21-28
<u><i>Wednesday, Jan 10</i></u> 1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20 Mark 1.29-39	<u><i>Thursday, Jan 11</i></u> 1 Samuel 4.1c-11 Mark 1.40-45
<u><i>Friday, Jan 12</i></u> 1 Samuel 8.4-7, 10-22a Mark 2.1-12	<u><i>Saturday, Jan 13 (9am)</i></u> 1 Samuel 9.1-4, 17-19; 10.1a Mark 2.13-17
<u><i>Sunday, Jan 14</i></u> 1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20 John 1.35-42	

The Pope's Prayer Intention

Jan 2024



For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.



Got bottles for refunding? We have a large, marked wooden box in the hall where the double doors are for those who wish to donate their bottles. All the refunds collected from these donations support our Youth Group. Please rinse bottles before donating. This is a great place to drop bottles from any holiday celebrations!

Parish News Update



Would the person who took **box 213** please call the parish office as soon as possible. You need to register your number otherwise we won't know who is making the donation.

Father Paul is off this Monday, January 8th to fly home to India for his annual 30 day holiday. Please keep him in your prayers. In his absence Father Terry Gubiana will be looking after the parish. Fr. Paul will resume on Sat. Feb 10th.



We are still in need of volunteers for our **Southwood Nursing Home Mass** on Tuesday mornings. Please contact Connie Claeys or the office if you can help out. Training is provided.

SACRAMENT CLASS SCHEDULE

Class Dates for 1st Rec (Sat. at 10am): Jan 13

Retreat and Celebration of Sacrament on Saturday, March 9, 2024

Class Dates for 1st Comm (Sat. at 10am): Jan 27, Feb 24, Mar 16, Apr 13, Jun 1

Celebration of Sacrament on Saturday, June 2, 2024 at the 11am Mass

Class Dates for Confirm. (Sat. at 10am): Jan 20, Feb 10, Mar 23
Celebration of Sacrament: Wednesday, May 29th at 7pm

UPCOMING BAPTISM PREP CLASSES



Sat. Feb. 3 at 9:30am
Sat. Mar. 2 at 9:30am
Sat. Apr. 6 at 9:30am

You must sign up through the office.

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Knights of Columbus

Parish financial support -Thank you!

	Nov 25/Nov 26	Dec 2/Dec 3	Dec 9/Dec 10
Parish support (Envelopes + Loose)	\$3,242.00	\$7,017.00	\$4,824.25
Together in Action	\$105.00	\$755.00	\$426.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$900.00	\$530.00	\$695.00
Building Maintenance	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$40.00
Catholic Education	—	\$50.00	—
Mission Mexico	—	\$40.00	\$362.00

DIRECT DEBIT FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER: \$9,250.00 (includes special donations outside of parish support)



Diocesan News

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Theology of the Body | Join experts Dr. Christopher West, Sister Helena Burns FSP, Fr. Cristino Bouvette, and internationally acclaimed songwriter, Mike Mangione, as they introduce and reflect St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body.

- When/Where: **Friday, Feb. 9, 2024 from 6 pm to 10 pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church** (10827 24 St SW Calgary) [Register online](#)

For any questions, please contact theologyofthebodyconference@gmail.com

Transitions | Transitions provides a God-centered group environment that encourages discussion through an 18-week program. In this supportive setting, individuals can share and discuss their personal journey with others going through separation and divorce.

When/Where: Every **Tuesday, from Feb 13, 2023, 7 pm to 9 pm** at the **Catholic Pastoral Centre** (120 – 17th Avenue SW, Calgary)

No fee registration | Limited spots available Register now at catholicyc.ca/transitions

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KIDS' PAGE

EPIPHANY CROSS-WORD

Fill in the blanks in the story to find the words for the puzzle!

Around the time that _____ (2d) was born, some wise men from the _____ (8a) saw in the sky a special _____ (9a) at _____ (13d) rising, and followed it to _____ (11a) the newborn Saviour. First they came to Jerusalem where _____ (10d) went to ask _____ (15a) Herod if he knew where the new King would be born.

_____ (12d) Herod did not know, he called the priests and scribes, who told them that the Baby would be born in _____ (18a). Then Herod told a _____ (17d) and said that he wanted to go and honour the Baby King too, and told the men to return once they had found him and tell him where the Baby was. The men were

_____ (7d) when they found Jesus with his mother _____ (4d), and they did him homage, giving their gifts of _____ (16a), _____ (1d)

and _____ (4a). But _____ (3d) night an angel appeared _____ (6a) them and told them to

_____ (14a) go home by another road, since King _____ (5d) wanted to kill Baby Jesus.



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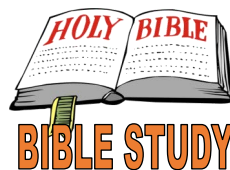
ROOM BOOKINGS		
Mon	Jan 8	
Tues	Jan 9	9:00am— MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 7:00pm—RCIA (Boardroom) 7:00pm—CWL (Hall)
Wed	Jan 10	9:00am— MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 7:00pm—Sunday Choir Practice
Thur	Jan 11	9:00am— MASS (rosary at 8:30am)
Fri	Jan 12	9:00am— MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 3:00pm—Divine Mercy
Sat	Jan 13	9:00am— MASS (rosary at 8:30am) 10:00am—Sacrament Class 3:00pm-4:00pm—CONFESSION 5:00pm— MASS
Sun	Jan 14	9:00am— MASS 11:00am— MASS



Prayer Shawl Ministry: last Tuesday of the month after the 9am Mass. New knitters welcome. Yarn available.
Next meet: Tues. Jan 30th



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Next meeting: Feb 2



Tuesdays after the 9am Mass. New members welcome!



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