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The EPIPHANY of the LORD 7th January 2024

SUNDAY MASS: 9:45am & 12noon

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday & Friday 12.30pm; Tuesday & Wednesday 8am

CONFESSIONS: Mondays 12-12:30pm (and on request)

HOLY HOUR: Thursdays 7-8pm (animated by HAKUNA eucharistic group)

Did you know? On the Epiphany, after the Gospel, in keeping with an ancient practice of the Church, announces the moveable feasts of the year in this way:

Know, dear brothers and sisters,

that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection.

On the **fourteenth day of February** will fall **Ash Wednesday**,

the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **thirty-first day of March** you will celebrate with joy Easter Day,

the **Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ**.

On the **ninth day of May** will be the **Ascension** of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **nineteenth day of May**, the feast of **Pentecost**.

On the **second day of June**, the feast of the **Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**.

On the **first day of December**, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

- **First Holy Communion** classes will resume next Sunday, January 14th. Both parents & children are expected to come to Sunday Mass at 9:45am. Classes start immediately after Mass, with Nicola.
- **Marriage Course** starts next month: Fridays (23rd February, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd March) 8:15pm-9:15pm & Sat 23rd March (2-8pm) Do speak with Fr. Ivano in order to register.
- **Baptism Course**. It is essential for parents to come to Sunday Mass regularly. Classes will be announced in due time. For children of 5 years old and over, special classes are required. Do approach directly Fr. Ivano.
- **Confirmation** classes will begin at the end of January. Do approach Fr. Ivano.



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this is my prayer



Today, in Lisieux (France), comes to end the Jubilee Year commemorating the 150th anniversary of her birth and the centenary of her beatification. Her name, Marie-Françoise Thérèse, born on 2nd January 1873. She entered the Carmel on April 9th, 1888, with the name of **Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face**. Died on September 30th 1897, she was beatified a century ago and canonized in 1925.

At the beginning of 2024, year dedicated to prayer, in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee, Saint Thérèse can be, in a very simple and essential way, our first guide in prayer.

In the last page of her autobiography, *Story of a Soul*, we read: "This is my prayer, I ask Jesus to *draw me* to the flames of his love, to *unite me* so strongly to him that it is he who lives and acts in me".

Drawn to Love and closely united with Love, so to become love. A simple yet extremely theological prayer: to be one with Jesus, one with Love. Every act of my life can be an act of love, yes.

fr. Ivano.

Father Ivano

*voici ma prière. je demande à Jésus
de m'attirer dans les flammes de son amour, de m'unir si étroitement
à Lui, qu'Il vive et agisse en moi.*