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Sunday 11:00 a.m. Jason Gotera Sunday 7:00 p.m. Barbara Sullivan

Organist: Gerard Johnston



The Nativity of the Lord



Nativity of The Lord

December 25th, 2022

Year A

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Week of Dec 24 to Dec 31

Dec 24	Sat	9:00 AM	†	Augustine Fernandes
Dec 25	Sun			Christmas (no intentions)
Dec 26	Mon	9:00 AM	†	Sheldon Hannah
Dec 27	Tue	9:00 AM	†	Joan Williams
Dec 28	Wed	9:00 AM	†	Bernadette & Anthony Dinova
Dec 29	Thu	9:00 AM	†	Peter Banks
Dec 30	Fri	9:00 AM		Intention of Fan Family Intention of Mario & Maria Simao Intention of Leo Kaundawelch Intention of Dagma Fonceca † Lucia Alvares
Dec 31	Sat	9:00 AM		Intention of Jonah Cunnell

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Catholic Women's League: Therese Baduria at 416.938-5855
General meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in Room 2.

Faith Enrichment: Bonnie Washer at 416.284-5772 Meetings on Thursdays at 9:30 – 10:45 am in Room 2.

Knights of Columbus: Roy Van Deen at 416.899-2771.
General meetings held every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm in Room 2. Next meeting January 19th, 2023.

Legion of Mary: Dawne Williams at 416.284-8699 or Manisha Raju 647.678-0371. Meetings every Tuesday at 5:30 pm in Room 1. Juniors contact Manisha.

Prayer Group: Patricia Furtado at 416.724-8570 and Michael McManus at 416.438-8453. Meetings held every other Thursday at 7:00 pm.

Refugee Outreach: Carmela Gaudet at 416.283-8151. Meets on the last Saturday of every month.

Seniors 50+ Club: Joe Van Pinxteren at 416.284-4213 Refreshments, coffee, cards and companionship from 12 – 3:30 pm in the Hall every Wednesday. Seniors mass held every 1st Wednesday of the month at 11 am.

Social Committee: Bryan Noble at 647.937-6631 or bryannoble1967@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 416.282-0370 ext. 217

Technology Ministry: Isis Rebello at 416.286-0707

Youth Ministry: Angie Bernard at 647. 242-8429 or abernard@archtoronto.org

REFLECTION

Instead of the story of Bethlehem, this oldest of Christmas Masses tells the meaning of the incarnation. St. John recites the pre-history of Jesus Christ: the Word, existing before time, coming from God and equal with God, is made flesh and shares our mortal condition. God speaks his Word: in the man Jesus we encounter God. As perfect image of the Father, Christ makes God's glory visible in the world. Now we can know and see him! In sharing our life Christ shows us its full meaning. Never before has God done that, the letter to Hebrews reminds us. This Son shares God's own majesty now reveals him fully. God becomes human in Jesus is the Good News of salvation for our world. Today's liturgy bids us to pay attention to God's messenger who brings peace, happiness and salvation and ushers in God's rule. God has immersed himself in the world to redeem us. We have reason to sing and shout for joy. *(Sunday Mass Book)*

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

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2022—2023

Christmas & New Year Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses

Saturday, 24th December, 2022

4:15 pm Carol Singing

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

7:00 pm Carol Singing

7:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass

9:00 pm Carol Singing (Koro Filipino)

9:30 pm Filipino Mass (Misa de Gallo)

11:15 pm Carol Singing

12:00 am Midnight Christmas Mass

Christmas Day Masses

Sunday, 25th December, 2022

9:00 am (Choir led by Isis Rebello)

11:00 am (Senior's Choir)

No evening mass on Christmas Day

New Year's Day Masses

Saturday, December 31, 2022

5:00 pm

Sunday, January 1st, 2023

9:00 am, 11:00 am & 7:00pm

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 7th, 2023

9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 8th, 2023

9:00 am, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm



*Wishing all our parishioners
a holy and blessed
Christmas!*

From: The Pastoral Team and Office Staff

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION DATES

First Communion Preparation— 2023

1st Parent Meeting

Sunday, January 29th @ 1pm –hall

Tuesday, January 31st @ 7pm—church

2nd Parent Meeting

Sunday, February 26th @ 1pm—hall

Tuesday, February 28th @ 7pm –church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, March 25th, 2023 @ 10 am—11:30 am

First Communion Mass

Sunday, April 16th @ 1 pm

-St. Brendan, St. Jean de Brebeuf

Sunday, April 23rd @ 1pm

-Cardinal Leger, St. Dominic Savio, Sunday School

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Friday, December 23, 2022: 9:00 am—12 noon

Monday, December 26, 2022: Closed

Tuesday, December 27, 2022 : Closed

Wednesday, December 28, 2022 : 9:00 am—12:30 pm &
1:30-5:00 pm (closed for lunch 12:30 pm-1:30 pm)

Thursday, December 29, 2022: 9:00 am—12:30 pm &
1:30-5:00 pm (closed for lunch 12:30 pm-1:30 pm)

Friday, December 30, 2022: 9:00 am—12:00 noon

Monday, January 2, 2022 : Closed

2023 DONATION ENVELOPES

Are available for pick up in the Narthex. They are alphabetized within each tray. Please be patient and double check that you are taking your own box.

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