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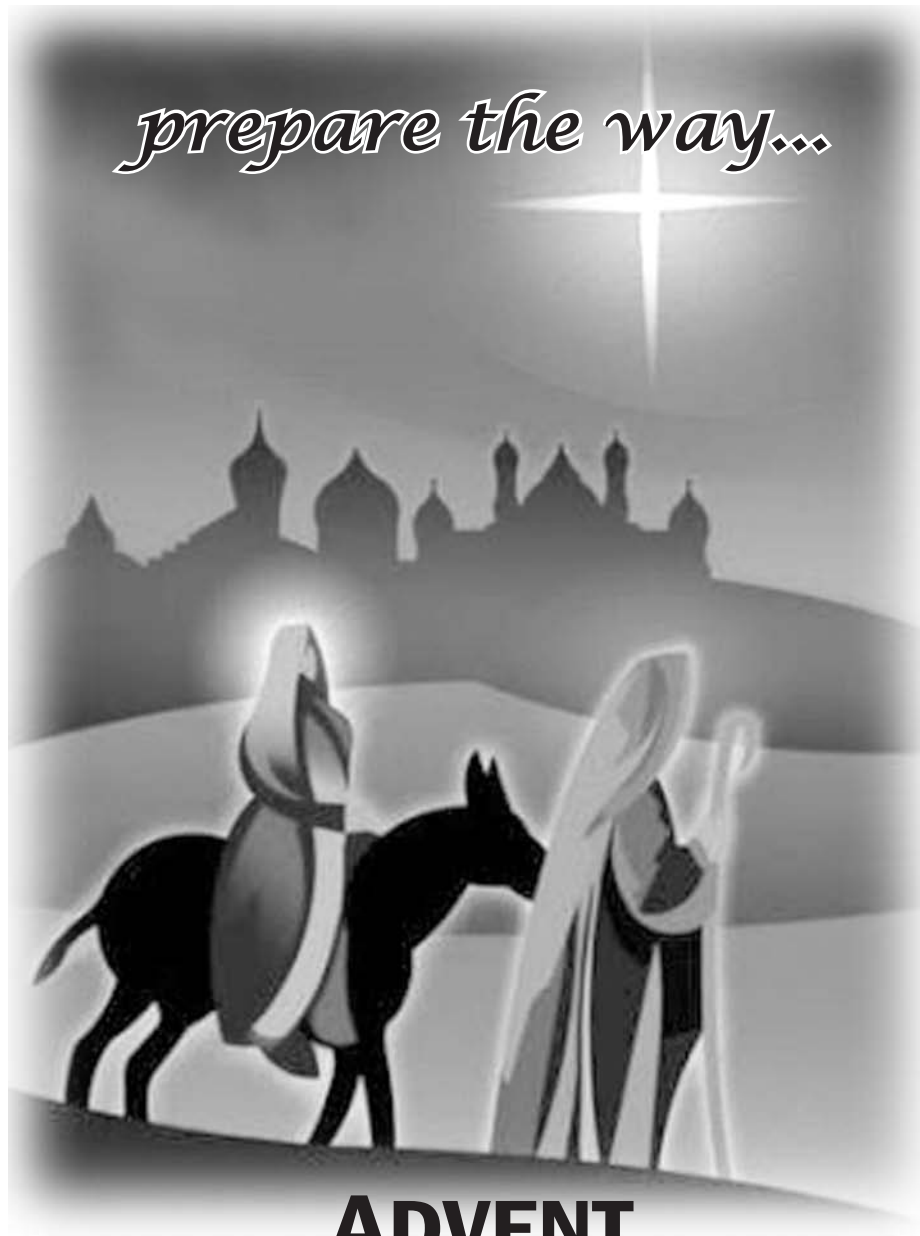
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Organist: Gerard Johnston



ADVENT

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year C) December 22, 2024



MASS INTENTIONS Week of Dec 21 to Dec 28, 2024

Dec 21	Sat	9:00 AM - Intention of the Yu Family 5:00 PM † Martin Coyle
Dec 22	Sun	9:00 AM † John Eugduno Rodrigues 11:00 AM - People of the Parish 7:00 PM † Guiseppe Florio
Dec 23	Mon	9:00 AM - Intention of Christian Santos
Dec 24	Tue	9:00 AM † Augustine & Marie Fernandes 5:00 PM † Renante Hingada 7:30 PM - Intention of Paula Owolabi & family
Dec 25	Wed	9:00 AM - Intention of Victoria Quiogue 11:00 AM - Intention of Mellissa & Daimler Navalta & family
Dec 26	Thu	9:00 AM † Joan Williams
Dec 27	Fri	9:00 AM † Denis Pinto † Rosenda Langoyan † Rolando Escalona Jr. - Intention of Mary Rose, Ricardo Chua & family - Intention of Raymond, Roselle Chua & family - Intention of Teresa Laberinto - Intention of Sean & Swphana Sebastian - Intention of Gabrielle Laberinto - Intention of Mario & Maria Simao - Intention of Casmir D'Silva
Dec 28	Sat	9:00 AM † George Tomie 5:00 PM † Guiseppe Florio

REFLECTION

God's ways are so unspectacular. We would expect the Lord God to give convincing demonstration of might and majesty. Instead, God's Son entered upon human history as every human being must, a newborn infant. Today's readings show us the lowly surroundings and simple people who were central to God's design. Although David's royal city, Bethlehem was an insignificant town. For Micah it is birthplace of the shepherd-king who will begin his rule of peace over a faithful few. In Luke's Gospel, so sensitive to the lowly and the inspiration of the Spirit, we see the young woman alluded to by Micah exchange greetings with her older relative. Elizabeth's infant dances in her womb as she calls Mary blessed; unlike Elizabeth's husband, Mary had responded to God with perfect faith. The letter to the Hebrews shows how fully Jesus was his mother's son. His ready obedience accomplishes God's design for the redemption of the world. Jesus carries out the will of his Father from the wood of the crib to the wood of the cross.

(Sunday Mass Book)

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Phone Number: (416) 282-0370

Ministry	Contact	EXT
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE <i>General meetings: 2nd Mon of the month at 7 PM (the Hall)</i>	Mary Kelly	251
FAITH ENRICHMENT <i>Meetings: every Thursday 9:30 AM -10:45 AM (Room 2)</i>	Bonnie Washer	252
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS <i>General meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM (Room 2)</i>	Michael McManus	253
LEGION OF MARY <i>Meetings every Tues at 5:30 PM</i>	Debra Silveira	254
PRAYER GROUP <i>Meetings: every other Thurs 7:30 PM</i>	Patricia Furtado/ Jennifer Fernandes	255
REFUGEE OUTREACH <i>Meetings: every last Saturday of the month</i>	Camela Gaudet	218
SENIORS 50+ CLUB <i>Companionship: every Wed, 12 PM -3:30 PM (the Hall)</i> <i>Seniors Mass: 1st Wed of the month at 11 AM</i>	Joe Van Pinxteren	256
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY		217
TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY	Isis Rebello	214
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY <i>Sashank.Bhavsar@gmail.com</i>	Sashank Bhavsar	225
YOUTH MINISTRY <i>Email: JTanuan@archtoronto.org</i>	Jeremy Tanuan	213

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The 2025 donation envelopes are available for pick up in the Narthex.

They are alphabetized within each tray. Please be patient and ensure you are taking your own box. Please help us return those boxes that are not yours to their original spots to save everyone's time.

We thank you for your generosity and for following and respecting this guideline.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

2024 TAX RECEIPTS



Please note that ONLY Donations received at the parish office by **December 31st, 12 noon** qualifies for a 2024 Tax Receipt.

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For more information, kindly contact our tour Coordinator:

**Ms. Therese Baduria at 416-938-5855 or
theresebaduria@gmail.com**



2025 Jubilee PILGRIMS OF HOPE Contest Appeal

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Leger
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Francis
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Instructions to **REGISTER & VOTE**,
kindly use this QR code



Voting ends December 23, 2024 (at midnight)

Bulletin Holiday Schedule & Submission Deadlines

Dec 29th Bulletin Deadline – Friday Dec 20th by 12:30 pm
| Delivery – Dec 23rd

Jan 5th Bulletin Deadline – Tuesday Dec 31st by 12:30 pm
| Delivery – Jan 3rd

Liturgical Publications will be closed
from Dec. 25 to Dec. 27 and Jan 1st.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

• Tuesday, December 24th: Closed at noon for Christmas Eve

• Wednesday, December 25th: Closed for Christmas Day

• Thursday, December 26th: Closed for Boxing Day

• Tuesday, December 31st: Closed at noon for New Year's Eve

• Wednesday, January 1st: Closed for New Year's Day

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Simbang Gabi /
Filipino Advent
Mass

Dec. 22 at 5:00 PM, Dec. 23 at 8:00 PM
Dec. 24 at 9:00 PM

Time

Christmas Eve
Masses
Dec. 24

5:00 PM (Carol Singing at 4:30 PM)
7:30 PM (Carol Singing at 7:00 PM)
9:30 PM (Carol Singing at 9:00 PM)-Filipino Mass
12:00 AM (Carol Singing at 11:15 PM)

Christmas Day
Masses
Dec. 25

Time

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
No evening Mass on Christmas Day

New Year's
Eve Mass
Dec. 31

Time
5:00 PM

New Year's
Day Masses
Jan. 01

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT of FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

at <https://www.stjosephstoronto.org/sacraments/first-holy-communion/>



Upcoming Schedule

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION **1st Parent Meeting**

Sunday, 26 January 2025 @ 1 PM

OR Tuesday, 28 January 2025 @ 7 PM

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

at <https://www.stjosephstoronto.org/sacraments/confirmation/>



Upcoming Schedule

CONFIRMATION ONLINE PREP CLASS—1st online Session
Saturday, 11 Jan 2025 @ 9 AM



Serra's Vocation Seeds

Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 22, 2024

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary
as a priest, deacon or religious to carry the Good News of
God's great Love?

Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of
Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org | www.vocationstoronto.ca

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