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

**Organist:** Gerard Johnston



## *Feast of the Holy Family*



# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 29, 2024



## MASS INTENTIONS Week of Dec 28 to Jan 4, 2024

Dec 28	Sat	9:00 AM	† George Tomie
		5:00 PM	† Giuseppe Florio
Dec 29	Sun	9:00 AM	- Intention of Geoffrey Hosein & family
		11:00 AM	- People of the Parish
		7:00 PM	- Intention of Eric & Emily Pinto
Dec 30	Mon	9:00 AM	- Intention of Maria Fan & family
Dec 31	Tue	9:00 AM	† Deceased members of Lopez family
Jan 01	Wed	9:00 AM	- Intention of Bunny & James Santos family
		11:00 AM	- People of the Parish
		7:00 PM	- Intention of Mercado & Tanuan families
Jan 02	Thu	9:00 AM	† Ernie Hultay
Jan 03	Fri	9:00 AM	† Naseem (Jimmy) Shiekh
			† Rose Marie Gross
			† Neville Chin-You
			† Cecilia & Joseph Ho
			- Intention of Julius E. & Jaylen Marcelo
			- Intention of Ryan Snow
			- Intention of Pablito Quiogue
			- Intention of Agnes Harper
			- Intention of Fr. Francis Folleh
			- Intention of Ricardo, Cornelia & family
		7:30 PM	† Maria Assunta & John Lawrence D'Souza
			† Basilio Revesencio
			† Ugo Chiodo
			- Intention of Curran Quiterio
			- Intention of Fr. Arinze Onwuzulike
Jan 04	Sat	9:00 AM	† John Gough
		5:00 PM	† Giovanna Geraneo

## PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

• Tuesday, December 31st:  
Closed at noon for New Year's Eve  
 ☐ Wednesday, January 1st:  
Closed for New Year's Day



## 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.

## REFLECTION

A father held his little daughter's hand. They waited for the bus to take her to her first day at school. She had chosen to wear a tee shirt emblazoned with two words: Question Authority. " Her father thought to himself, we knew we had a daughter with a strong soul, but could we have fathomed what her calling would be?" In the first reading, we hear of a promise Hannah made three thousand years ago. The vocation of her yet-unborn child was set. Samuel would be given to the Lord. John in the second reading tells us that we all have a calling to be " children of God." What path would we each take to fulfill this mission? Long-term Church crises such as those around abuse or racism may have led many of our youth to follow spiritual directions outside the institutional Church. Are they lost? Can we recognize that our youth may not all be astray, but rather about their Father's business in unexpected ways? There should be no barriers to our welcoming acceptance of all God's children, whatever their path or calling. Luke in today's Gospel, tells us Mary and Joseph looked for their lost twelve-year-old son for three days. They found the young Jesus in the temple, in his "Father's house." They didn't understand that their child was not lost at all: he knew his vocation and had answered its call.

*(Living With Christ)*

## PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

**Phone Number: (416) 282-0370**

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

## PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, SPAIN & FRANCE Celebrating the Jubilee Year 2025

Visiting Rome, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo, Barcelona, Montserrat, Lourdes, Bordeaux, Nevers, Lisieux, Paris  
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For more information, kindly contact our tour Coordinator:  
**Ms. Therese Baduria at 416-938-5855 or**  
[theresebaduria@gmail.com](mailto:theresebaduria@gmail.com)



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### 2025 DONATION ENVELOPES



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.**

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### New Year Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve Mass (Dec. 31 at 5:00 PM)

New Year's Day Masses (Jan. 01)

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**  
at 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



### The Good Shepherd Provide-a-Meal Program Needs You!

To all who have been participating in the Good Shepherd Provide a meal program ... **Thank you!**

To all who are interested in the program .. **Welcome!**

The casseroles we prepare, feed the needy that drop in to the Good Shepherd Refuge on Queen Street East, in downtown Toronto.

#### How the program works:

- We provide you the casserole container and recipe.
- For those joining the program, please drop by the office during business hours and collect an empty container, a recipe and the drop off schedule.
- You prepare the same meal once per month.
- Keep some for your family - it's delicious!
- Drop off the casserole on the dates below between 9:30 and 10:00 after the Saturday morning mass at the west parking lot.
- Pick up an empty container when you do the drop off.
- You're done!

**Have questions or wish to participate in this program?**  
**Contact Peter or Annie Alkins at (416) 283 7420**

**2025 pick up dates:**

Jan 4 | Feb 1 | Mar 1 | Apr 5 | May 3 | Jun 7 |  
Jul 5 | Aug (No pick up) | Sep 6 | Oct 4 | Nov 1 | Dec 6



### Serra's Vocation Seeds

**Feast of the Holy Family – December 29, 2024**

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) | [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

### EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY 2024-2025

Registration is still open for youth in grades 6, 7, and 8. EDGE will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month, starting October 11<sup>th</sup>.

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