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Sunday 9:00 a.m. Isis Rebello Sunday 11:00 a.m. Jason Gotera Sunday 7:00 p.m. Barbara Sullivan

Organist: Gerard Johnston

#### **Place for Prayer**

The Chapel in the Rectory basement is open daily from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 - 5:00 p.m. for individuals or small groups

### Masses

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Liturgy) Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. First Fridays: 7:30 p.m. (except July and August)

First Fridays: 9:30 a.m. Holy Hour First Saturdays: 7:00 p.m. (Pilipino)

Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. Mon. to Sat. (Rosary 8:25 a.m.)

#### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. (or on request)

#### Baptisms, Weddings, Sick Calls or Funerals

Please contact St. Joseph's Parish Office at 416-282-0370 or for info visit our website www.stjosephstoronto.org

#### **Parish Facilities**

For reservations inquiries for the Parish Hall and Meeting Rooms please contact Marla Tanuan at the Parish Office, 416-282-0370 Ext: 204.

#### **Parish Ministries**

Altar Servers Eric Pinto
Catholic Women's League Raffaela Civello
Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister
Finance Council Tom Wetzel

Knights of Columbus

Lectors

Legion of Mary Liturgy for Children

Missionary Families of Christ Parish Pastoral Council

Prayer Group

RCIA

Refugee-Outreach Committee

Religious Ed

St. Vincent de Paul Society Screening Committee

Seniors 50+ ShareLife

Social Committee
Technology Ministry
Ushers 5:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

Wedding Co-ordinator Youth Ministry Young Adult Ministry TBA

Leo & Jane De Guia
Debra Silveira
Lavern Walters
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John Ramdeen
Patricia Furtado
Donna Tomie
Carmela Gaudet

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#### Parish Schools

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 St. Brendan
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 416-393-5359

 St. Dominic Savio
 50 Tideswell Blvd.
 416-393-5467

 St. Jean de Brebeuf
 101 Dean Park Road
 416-393-5394

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



St. Joseph's Parish is wheelchair accessible & CCTV monitored.



# First Sunday of Advent Year A November 29, 2025



#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

| WASSES FOR THE WEEK                  |     |          |   |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|-----|----------|---|---|--|--|
| Week November 29 to December 6, 2025 |     |          |   |   |  |  |
| Nov 29                               | Sat | 9:00 AM  |   | Intention of Andrew Fan                 |  |  |
|                                      |     | 5:00 PM  |   | Intention of Denis Gracias              |  |  |
| Nov 30                               | Sun | 9:00 AM  | † | Theresa Banks                           |  |  |
|                                      |     | 11:00 AM |   | People of the Parish                    |  |  |
|                                      |     | 7:00 PM  | † | Raphael Chan                            |  |  |
| Dec 1                                | Mon | 9:00 AM  | † | Deceased members of Riggi family        |  |  |
| Dec 2                                | Tue | 9:00 AM  | † | Nida Agostinis                          |  |  |
| Dec 3                                | Wed | 9:00 AM  | † | Dan Cuneo                               |  |  |
| Dec 4                                | Thu | 9:00 AM  | † | Cassandra Philips                       |  |  |
| Dec 5                                | Fri | 9:00 AM  | † | Max Comia                               |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Nichnor Giolada                         |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Paul F. Gonsalves                       |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Deceased members of the Deacetis family |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Arduino Caldaroni                       |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Naseem 'Jimmy' Sheikh                   |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Leocadio & Pacita Osoteo                |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Nannette Yip                            |  |  |
|                                      |     |          |   | Intention of Kashoro Nyenyezi           |  |  |
|                                      |     |          |   | Intention of the Nicolas family         |  |  |
|                                      |     | 7:30 AM  | † | Frank Quadros                           |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Sam Agueci                              |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Maria Amaldina Fernandes                |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Belchior Fernandes                      |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Antonio Noronha Belchior                |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Calvin Cathers                          |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Hubert Monteiro                         |  |  |
|                                      |     |          | † | Dinali Paul                             |  |  |
|                                      |     |          |   | Intention of Joan Lornecz               |  |  |
|                                      |     |          |   | Intention of Natty Fernandes            |  |  |
| Dec 6                                | Sat | 9:00 AM  | † | Giuseppe Cornacchia                     |  |  |
|                                      |     | 5:00 PM  | † | Mathilda Gracias                        |  |  |



#### REFLECTION

As we begin Advent, we often rush with Christmas preparations, yet the Scriptures invite us to a deeper question: Are we ready for Christ to come into our lives?

Christians live in hope, knowing this life is passing but something greater awaits us. This does not mean detaching from the world. Christ comes into our ordinary moments: our work, routines, joys, and struggles. Jesus calls us to "stay awake," not only for the end of time, but to stay present and attentive to the ways He enters our lives each day. Advent invites us to notice Christ in the people around us. Perhaps its the newcomer, the grieving widow, the lonely, the overlooked. As we prepare to celebrate the wonder of God coming to us as a child, may we open our hearts to welcome Him in the many ways He appears in our midst. (Adapted from Living with Christ—November 2025, Teresa Lux— Regina, SK)

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." 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.

# PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

| Phone Number: (416) 282-0370                      |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Ministry  | Contact            | EXT                                     |  |  |  |  |
| CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE                           | Raffaela Civello   | 251                                     |  |  |  |  |
| General meetings: 2 nd Mon of the                 |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| month at 7 PM (the Hall)                          |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| FAITH ENRICHMENT                                  | Bonnie Washer      | 252                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Meetings: every Thursday                          |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| 9:30 AM –10:45 AM (Room 2)<br>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS | Voicemail only     | 253                                     |  |  |  |  |
| General meetings: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday        | voiceman only      | 200                                     |  |  |  |  |
| of the month at 7:30 PM (Room 2)                  |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| LEGION OF MARY                                    | Debra Silveira     | 254                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Meetings every Tues at 5:30 PM                    | 20214 0            |   |  |  |  |  |
| PRAYER GROUP                                      | Patricia Furtado/  | 255                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Meetings:   | Jennifer Fernandes |   |  |  |  |  |
| every other Thurs 7:30 PM                         |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| REFUGEE OUTREACH                                  | Carmela Gaudet     | 218                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Meetings: every last Saturday                     |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| of the month                                      |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| SENIORS 50+ CLUB                                  | Joe Van Pinxteren  | 256                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Companionship: every Wed,                         |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| 12 PM –3:30 PM (the Hall)                         |                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| SOCIAL COMMITTEE                                  | Sean Figueredo     | 215                                     |  |  |  |  |
| ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY                       | Voicemail only     | 217                                     |  |  |  |  |
| TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY                               | lsis Rebello       | 214                                     |  |  |  |  |
| VISITATION MINISTRY                               | Dawne Williams     | 226                                     |  |  |  |  |
| YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY                              | Sashank Bhavsar    | 225                                     |  |  |  |  |
| Sashank.Bhavsar@gmail.com                         |                    | *************************************** |  |  |  |  |
| YOUTH MINISTRY                                    | Jeremy Tanuan      | 213                                     |  |  |  |  |

Email: JTanuan@archtoronto.org

#### **Our Christmas Appeal for 2025**

All donations, large or small are appreciated. They can be placed in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box after Mass or dropped off at the church.

For further information and for other donation options visit our event listed on the church's Notice Board or contact us through the church office 416 282 0370 ext. 217 or email us at

vincentian217@gmail.com. Our deliveries will commence on December 13th.

Thank you for your generous support!





Our parish dates and times:

Thursday, December 18th—10:00 AM

Friday, December 19th—7:00 PM

Confessions will end when there is no more people in line. For more dates and times in our area, kindly scan the QR code:



#### **CHRISTMAS BELLS**

The Social committee warmly welcomes you all to come celebrate the season with music, laughter, and Christmas cheer! Save the date:

### Saturday, December 13th (right after the 5 PM Mass)

Join us for a fun-filled evening featuring:

Joyful carol singing

A visit from Santa (and maybe even the Grinch!)

Delicious food and goodies

Clay Art activities to make your own ornaments for the Christmas tree

Nail Stamping for Festive Flair

We welcome volunteers to help with our Christmas Bells event. Please contact the parish office with your name and contact information. Students: This is a great opportunity to earn volunteer hours while taking part in a festive community celebration.

#### Lift Your Voice - Join Our Choir!

The 9 am choir is looking for new voices: shy, bold, high, low, all are welcome! No experience needed, just enthusiasm. Rehearsals are friendly, supportive, and filled with laughter and sometimes cookies!



If you're interested or would like more information, please speak with us after the 9 am Mass or contact the parish office.

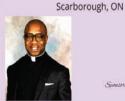
Come lend your voice and help us make beautiful music this season and beyond!



**Bless Your Advent Wreath at Home** Prepare your heart for Advent! Find prayers and blessings for your family's Advent wreath at home by scanning the QR code.











# Did you knww that

Make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today

Luke 19:5



- The Advent Season prepares us for the Christmas Season, the same way Lenten Season prepares us for the Easter Season?
- The Advent liturgical colour is purple except for the 3rd Sunday of Advent, the same way the Lenten liturgical colour is purple except for the 4th Sunday of Lent?
- The 3rd Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Latin for rejoice) Sunday, the same way the 4th Sunday of Lent is called Laetare (Latin for rejoice) Sunday and that the liturgical colour for both dates changes from purple to rose colour, to reflect a joyful mood?

### **EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY 2025-2026**

Registration for youth in Grade 6, 7, and 8 is still open! EDGE meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. Come discover the EPIC Universe! For more information contact Jeremy at JTanuan@archtoronto.org or (416)282-0370 Ext. Bedbugs

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