

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour." (Cf. Isaiah 45.8)



Fourth Sunday of Advent | FORMED in the Word

Enter more deeply into the readings of the Mass by joining

Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Israel McGrew as they reflect upon the upcoming Sunday readings. Abide in the Word of God this Advent by immersing yourself in it, thus preparing your heart for Christ's coming. To watch, please visit FORMED. To register for FORMED, for FREE, go to: www.formed.org and enter the Parish Code: FVT2H9.

Announcements

1. Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a blessed Christmas! The vitality of a parish depends on the openness of parishioners and their pastor to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. It is a blessing to be part of a community of believers who take the Gospel literally and seek to live the faith we profess each Sunday at Mass. More and more people are becoming engaged in parish life and have expressed a desire to grow in their knowledge and love for God and neighbour. We have been granted many graces! I know it stems from the Mass, daily adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet and our devotion to Our Lady and her rosary. The liturgy and personal prayer are necessary to a healthy spiritual life.

When the birth of Christ took place over 2000 years ago, it was only celebrated by a few people. Jesus' first coming was very hidden in the poverty and simplicity of Bethlehem. Everyone, including the most religious at the time, were deeply distracted by many things. Today, people are even more distracted due to overuse of technology and the endless search for physical comfort and well-being. I invite you to take time over this Christmas season for silence and prayer before your own nativity scene. Remember, our baptism permits us to kneel next to Mary and Joseph in our adoration the Incarnate Son of God. There you will find the peace you are looking for. There you will find the graces to strengthen your commitment to invite others to join us in our worship of the Lord, Jesus Christ.

Thank you to everyone who gives of their time, talents and treasure to help this parish thrive. Please continue to do so!



A special thank you to all our volunteers who do so much that is often hidden from the eyes of others. God sees! He thanks you! I thank you too!

Merry Christmas and happy new year, Fr Peter

2. The Parish Office is closed on Monday, December 25th to Wednesday, December 27th.

3. Registration for First Communion and Confirmation is now open. The registration forms can be found on our website at www.holyrosary.ca under the Sacraments tab. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Office at office@holyrosary.ca or by phone at (416) 923-8471.

4. On behalf of the Flower Guild, please help us to beautify the Sanctuary for the Christmas season by making a financial contribution. Thank you for your ongoing support.

5. The **DECEMBER** Food of the Month donation is **CANS OF SOUP**. Please bring your donations to the Parish Office. Thank you for your support.



6. Toronto Serra Club



From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life and she said "Yes!"...and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's Will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director**

of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

7. First Sunday Coffee Ministry is cancelled on January 7th, 2024, due to the holidays. We will resume on Sunday, February 4th, 2024.

8. We know it's not yet Christmas, however, we have some exciting news for our kids and teens. In July 2024, we will run the Totus Tuus Summer Camp for kids and teens. The camp will run from July 22-26, 2024, inclusive. The kids portion runs during the day whereas the teen portion runs in the evenings. This camp is an excellent way to help your loved ones grow closer to the Lord, his Church and our community. More information will be provided in the new year!

DECEMBER 24TH, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 25, 2023

The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners
10:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners
12:00 pm. Holy Rosary Volunteers & Benefactors

Tuesday, December 26, 2023

Saint Stephen

9:00 am. Felicidad Villasenor (+) (Birthday Blessings)
Requested By: Hermy & Isabel Villasenor

Wednesday, December 27, 2023

Saint John

9:00 am. Bernadina Fernandes
Requested By: The Fernandes Family

Thursday, December 28, 2023

12:10 pm Zack Pace (+)
Requested By: C. Feghali

Friday, December 29, 2023

12:10 pm. The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Requested By: John Artibello

Multiple Intentions:

Birthday Celebrants of the month (Special Intentions)

Saturday, December 30, 2023

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary and in reparation for all sins committed against her Immaculate Heart
5:00 pm. In Thanksgiving
Requested By: Marie Garol

Sunday, December 31, 2023

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners
10:00 am. Maeve Fisher (+)
Requested By: Eithne
12:00 pm. Sheldon Lawless (+)
Requested By: The Feghali Family

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Edward Haggerty, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

9:00 am | 5:00 pm Masses

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am | 10:00 am | 12:00 pm

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm | 8:00 pm Masses

There is NO Adoration from 6:00 am to 7:45 am on December 24th

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00 am | 10:00 am* | 12:00 pm Masses

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

9:00 am Masses (No 12:10 pm Masses)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

12:10 pm Mass

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

9:00 am | 5:00 pm Masses

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 am | 10:00 am* | 12:00 pm Masses

FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY

8:00 am | 10:00 am* | 12:00 pm Masses

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4

9:00 am Masses (No 12:10 pm Masses)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

12:10 pm Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 am | 5:00 pm Masses

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

8:00 am | 10:00 am* | 12:00 pm Masses

*Masses will be livestreamed

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