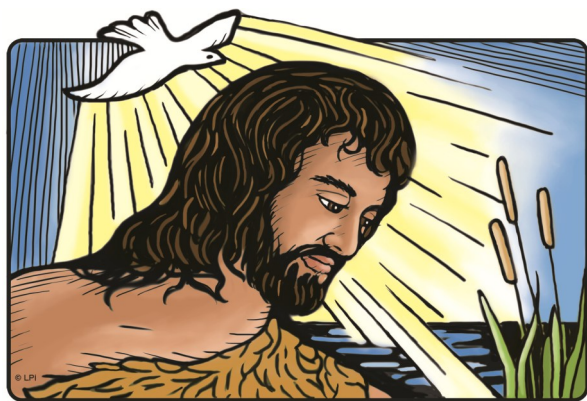


Sunday, December 14, 2025



*"This is the one about whom it is written:
Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare the way before you.
Amen, I say to you, among those born of women
there has been none greater than John the Baptist;
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater
than he." - Mt 11:10-11*

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 15, 2025

8:15 am: + Joe Santos

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

8:15 am: + Peter Quyet

7:00 pm: + Olimpia Jose

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

8:15 am: + D'Souza Family (Deceased)

Thursday, December 18, 2025

8:15 am: + Maria Loan

Friday, December 19, 2025

8:15 am: + All Souls

7:00 pm: Intentions of Dina

+ Luba & Andrija Zebec

+ Domenico Perna

+ Enzo Gusman

+ Mr. & Mrs. Mariyamma Arsarajnam

Saturday, December 20, 2025

8:15 am: + All Souls

5:00 pm: + Annette Cooray & Pearl Misersky

Sunday, December 21, 2025

8:30 am: St. Patrick's Parishioners

10:00 am: Dora Moreno, Cagla Moreno &

Barbara Parberry

12:00 pm: + Phero Nguyen V. Truong & Maria

Nguyen T. Song

7:00 pm: Peter Harston & Ryan Lucas Harston
(Birthday)



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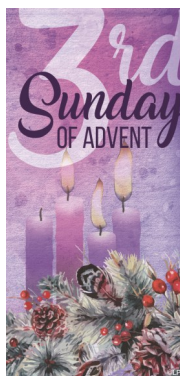
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Third Sunday of Advent



When I was 11, I was riding my bike on a Friday night in Scottsdale, Arizona. I saw giant spotlights swirling in the sky. Something amazing had to be happening. I pedaled after them with excitement. Sweaty and tired, I arrived, only to find a used car lot. Bright lights, flapping banners, inflatable balloon men swaying wildly in the wind. I stood there, heart sinking. All that spectacle, and all my effort ... for this?

As life proceeds, we learn what it is like to pursue promising but fruitless searches. This week we hear Jesus ask the crowds regarding John the Baptist: **"What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?" (Matthew 11:7).** He's not just describing the crowd's mis-aimed pursuit. He's naming our tendency to chase after what's flashy but flimsy. What are our swaying reeds? For me, it is endless video reels on my phone, worldly pleasures, entertainment in sports, and the good opinion of others. Inflated distractions that bend whichever way the wind blows. But they can't satisfy my soul. What are your flimsy reeds? John the Baptist wasn't a swaying reed. He was rooted, grounded, unafraid to speak the solid truth. The people went to see him because, deep down, they were starving for something real. This Advent, the Church asks us to reassess: What are we really looking for? Are we chasing the dazzling but hollow? Or are we seeking what is solid and lasting — that which points to Christ?

Thank you from the Squires

The St. Patrick's Squires would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to all parishioners for attending the Squires Dinner and for helping make the Chocolate Sales a great success! The dinner was an amazing night filled with great conversation and wonderful memories. From our Squires family to yours, we wish you a blessed Christmas filled with love, laughter and peace.

Thank you from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

A sincere thank you to all parishioners for the gifts you have shared for families in need. Because of your generosity, we were able to provide comfort and support to those who need it the most. Your generosity makes a real difference and is deeply appreciated!

Please Pray for the Sick...

Please pray for our parishioners, family and friends who have requested our prayers: Alessia & Tony Commisso, Tina MacPherson, Damien Chaytor, Humberto Casimiro, Char-maine Menezes, Maria Bizzaro, Thomas Chircop, George Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Maria Bowman, Paul Celia, Alix Meikle, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Royston Guilford, Jacintha Fernandes, Anna Iafrate, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Fruto Relator, Virginia Torrefranca, Carole Bullock, Pat Mooney, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Nikola Brodar, Rita Pinto, Henryka Zebrowska, Therese Torrefranca, Benedict De Castro, Tessie Morales, Natalie Troughton, Michael Healey, Melissa Castillo, Marisa Castillo, Gladys Castillo, Teresa Kuerv-ers, Teresa Marchese, Antonio Marchese, Wojtek Stanislowski, Theresa Fraiser, Beata, Arthur Moniz, Pasqua Dimucho, Camila M. Binauhai, Oliver Pinto, Elizabeth Blizniouk, Cathy DeBono, Samantha & Andrew Paliwada, Charlotte Carvalho, Zerina Vaz, Amal Abdou, Terry Blanchette, Justina Colaco

**Confirmation Enrollment**

Confirmation Enrollment (registration) will take place **during all Masses on the weekend of December 20-21, 2025.**

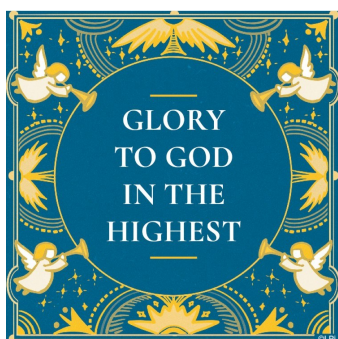
Please make sure you bring your child's Baptism Certificate along with the registration form you receive during information night. The cost for the required books is **\$40.00**. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in becoming a leader for Verso or EDGE, please contact Kristina Silvester at ksilvester@archtoronto.org or call the parish office, ext. 226.

2026 Envelopes

Envelopes for 2026 are now available for pick up in the parish hall! If you are not registered to our parish, please stop by at the office to register and receive your own box of envelopes for the year.

**Advent Mass Schedule****Confessions**

Tues, December 16	5:00pm-6:45pm
Wed, December 17	5:00pm-7:00pm
Fri, December 19	5:00pm-6:45pm
Sat, December 20	3:00pm-4:45pm

Masses

Mon, December 22	8:15am
Tues, December 23	8:15am, 7:00pm

Christmas Eve

Wed, December 24	6:00pm, 8:00pm, and 10:00pm
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Christmas Day

*(Please note there is **NO 7:00 pm Mass**)*

Thurs, December 25	8:30am, 10:00am & 12:00pm
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Fri, December 26	8:15am, 7:00pm
Sat, December 27	8:15am

Feast of the Holy Family

Sat, December 27	5:00pm
Sun, December 28	8:30am, 10:00am 12:00pm & 7:00pm

Mon, December 29	8:15am
Tues, December 30	8:15am, 7:00pm

Feast of Mary the Mother of God

*(Please note there is **NO 7:00 pm Mass**)*

Wed, December 31	5:00pm
Thurs, January 1	8:30am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Fri, January 2	8:15am 7:00pm— <i>First Friday</i>
Sat, January 3	8:15am

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

Sat, January 3	5:00pm
Sun, January 4	8:30am, 10:00am 12:00pm & 7:00pm



*Regular schedule begins
Monday, Jan 5th, 2026*