

Sunday, December 31, 2023



When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

- Lk 2:39-40

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 1, 2023

8:30am: + Nenita Flores

Tuesday, January 2, 2023

8:15am: + All Souls

7:00pm: + Harold North

Wednesday, January 3, 2023

8:15am: + Aniela Kryskiw

Thursday, January 4, 2023

8:15am: + Rita Flynn

Friday, January 5, 2023

8:15am: + All Souls

7:00pm: + KC Chako

Sean O'Brien

+ Ngoc Hua, Mai Le & Anna

+ John Legge

For the Intentions of Maria Jose Baptista

Saturday, January 6, 2023

8:15am: Special Intentions (Aranha Family)

5:00pm: Barbara Morales (80th Birthday)

Sunday, January 7, 2023

8:30am: + Mathias Lane

10:00am: + Cynthia Nazareth

12:00pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth

7:00pm: + Carol Anderson



Parish Website

StPatricksMi.archtoronto.org

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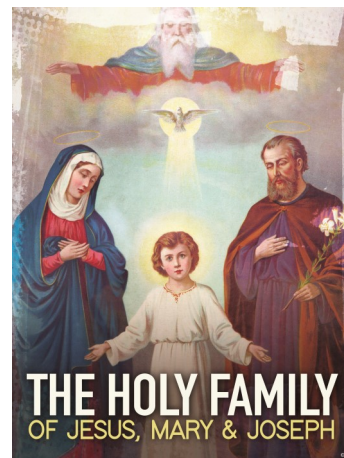
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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

I remember the first time my older sister asked me if I wanted to hold her newborn son. Terrified, I told her I didn't think it was a good idea. My résumé had nothing to suggest I would be a qualified baby holder. But she warmly told me, "I'll help you hold him." It struck me that she is baby's mother. She is the one who decides who is qualified to hold him. I took him in my arms and soon I began to feel comfortable with that tiny little warm cooing creature in my arms, and soon I no longer feared holding him. Now, twenty-seven nieces and nephews later, holding a newborn child is one of the great joys of my life. Do we sometimes think that Jesus is given only to the highly qualified, special religious people? In the Gospel of Luke today we hear about the presentation of the Lord in the temple. The newborn son of God is passed around like a baton in a relay race, not guarded like a precious jewel or a breakable china dish. We can see him going from the arms of Mary to Joseph, then to the priest performing the ceremony, then to Simeon the old man, then to Anna the old widow. Each one receiving him and then handing him to the next. A tidal wave of joy and thanksgiving follows wherever he is placed. Believe me, you are qualified to hold Jesus in your arms. How can I say that with such confidence? Because the mother decides who is qualified. The Blessed Virgin, embodied in the Church, holds him out to you and me. She rejoices to place him in our arms to hold, and to hand him on, too. — *Father John Muir*



Office Hours

— *Holiday Office Hours* —

Dec 30-Jan 1: CLOSED

Jan 2: 9:00am-4:00pm

— *Regular Hours* —

Mon-Fri: 9:00am-4:00pm

Sat: 9:00am-12:00pm, 3:00pm-6:00pm

Sun: 9:00am-1:00pm

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, Charmaine Menezes, Maria Biz-zaro, Thomas Chircop, George



Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Anna Iafrate, Doreen Micallef, John Kolozsvari, Dominic Alvia, Manuel Bienvenido Locsin, Theresa Boutilier, John Ngoc Truong, Maureen Tierney, Bill Cranor, Jocelyn Heydorn, Jose Valle, John Fermin, Jonathan Pinto, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Virginia Torrefranca, Benedict de Castro, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey, Josie Timko, Pat Mooney, Joseph A. Torrefranca, Rhea O'Hara, Sybrea O'Hara, Teresita Morales, Emilia Castro, Maria Maddelena, Chris Troughton, Lina Siconolfi, Cathy Mauro, Andre Cartier, Kinga Serwin, Nikola Brodar, Senen Pastolero, Pepito De Souza, Rita Pinto

First Friday

January 5, 2024 is the First Friday of the month. Please join us for Mass at 7:00pm followed by Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

2023 Tax Receipts

Please note that donations for 2023 must be received by the latest, **Friday, January 19th, 2023** in order for it to be included in the 2023 tax receipts. Tax receipts for 2023 will be issued and mailed sometime mid February. Thank you for your continuous support!

St. Vincent de Paul Raffle Winners

Here are the winners of the SVDP Raffle:

Sweater: Betty Si

Basket: Petra Chan

Thank you for your continuous support!



MASS SCHEDULE

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, Dec 30: 5:00pm

Sunday, Dec 31: 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

NO 7:00pm Mass

MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

Sunday, Dec 31: 5:00pm

Monday, Jan 1: 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm,

NO 7:00pm Mass

Regular weekday and Sunday schedule follows beginning Tuesday, Jan 2, 2024.



Chalice Gift Catalogue

Be the beginning by walking with the most in need. Our Gift Catalogue 2023 has many options that are valuable gifts for a child and a family in need. Gift Catalogues are available at the back of the Church on the shelf by the bulletin board. For more information, please visit the website: www.chalice.ca

Communion for the Sick and Shut-ins

If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office and we will arrange for one of our Eucharist Ministers to drop by.

For more information, you can contact the parish office at (905) 270-2301 or stpatricksmi@archtoronto.org