

Sunday, January 1, 2023



When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

- Lk 2:17-19

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 2, 2023

8:15 am: + Jack & Irene Nolan

Tuesday, January 3, 2023

8:15 am: + Mervyn D'Souza

7:00 pm: Intentions of Caitlin Pereira

Wednesday, January 4, 2023

8:15 am: + Fruto Relato

Thursday, January 5, 2023

8:15 am: + William & Fabiana Gomes

Friday, January 6, 2023

8:15 am: + Margaret D'Souza

7:00 pm: Shirley Goberdham

+ Enzo Banducci

+ Joseph Phong & Maria Binh

+ Mai Le & Ngoc Hua

+ John R. Legge

Saturday, January 7, 2023

8:15 am: + Ann O'Grady

5:00 pm: + Joe Aguanno

Sunday, January 8, 2023

8:30 am: + Maria & Adolfo Parente & Andrej Biro

10:00 am: + Cynthia Nazareth

12:00 pm: 60th Wedding Anniversary—Nelson & Agnaela Pereira

7:00 pm: St. Patrick's Parishioners & Youth

Mary, the Mother of God

We hide ourselves and our secrets from God because we are afraid. Even Mary can seem too perfect to approach. The shepherds find the strength to speak to Mary and Joseph *at the moment they see the child in the manger*. They open their hearts and share what they've experienced. Saint Luke writes of the shepherds, **"When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."**

When I was a college student, I visited Rome. Beggars often approached and said, "*Mangia? Mangia?*" I didn't speak Italian and thought, "Why are they speaking about the Christmas nativity scene?" My friend said, "*Mangia* means eat. They're hungry." That's when I realized more deeply than ever before that Mary puts her baby in a place designed for hungry animals to eat. See that baby in the manger in your heart. Imagine Mary kneeling nearby looking at you with love. She doesn't cling to God for herself. In that cave, from the beginning, she quietly offers her son to hungry souls. The manger means vulnerable self-offering love. That's the sign. This week that same manger opens our hearts to tell Mary about our lives, too.

— Father John Muir

2023 Envelopes

2023 envelopes are ready for pick up in the parish hall. If you don't remember your number, we have ushers and volunteers around to help.

NOTE: Parishioners whose current numbers are 1000 and above will be given new numbers in 2023. Please stop by the parish office to pick up your envelopes! Thank you!



Holiday Hours

Jan 2: CLOSED

Jan 3: 9am-4pm

Regular Office Hours

Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm

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

Sun: 9am-1pm



Parish Website

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StPatricksMI@archtoronto.org

Youth Website

stpatriksyouth.com

Regular Mass Schedule resumes on Monday, January 2, 2023.

Have a blessed and a Happy New Year!

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 Bizzaro, Thomas Chircop, George Blanchette, Sonia Miranda, Suzy Zahra, Marcelle Caruana, Lynn Viscardi, Maria Bowman, Luigina Furlan, Francis Asis, Paul Celia, Evelyn Cletus, Alix Meikle, Raul Soriano, Wilfredo Ticzon, Arnold De Castro, Rosa Santos, Virginia Sevilla, Carole Melbourne, Luigina Catalli, Royston Guilford, Irene Lesniak, Jacintha Fernandes, Andre & Tamara Boaden, Dianne Ouellette, 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, Alvaro Interiano, Arlene Claricia, Jennifer Nava-Villa, Gatsby & Ryen Lung, Eleonora Marchese, Fruto Relator, Margarita Flores, Carlito Claricia, Virginia Torre Franca, Benedict de Castro, Carole Bullock, Russell Hussey



2022 Tax Receipts

Please note that donations for 2022 must be received by **Friday, January 13, 2023** in order for it to be included in the 2022 tax receipts. Tax receipts for 2022 will be issued and mailed sometime in February. Thank you for your continuous support!

YOUTH MINISTRY JOIN US FOR EDGE & ELEV8!

EDGE is a Youth Ministry for those in Grades 6 and 7 aimed at bringing youth closer to Jesus Christ and His Church and to encourage holiness and community with each other. EDGE Nights allow the young people to learn about their faith through talks, music, games, videos, small group discussions, activities and sharing with friends.

ELEV8 is a Youth Ministry for those in Grade 8 aimed to foster intentional discipleship and deeper friendships before entering High School. ELEV8 Nights take place at the same time as EDGE Nights, but the 8's break off into their own space.

Join us Fridays at the Parish from 5pm to 6:30pm (doors open at 4:45pm):

Jan 20, Feb 3, Feb 17, Mar 3, Mar 24, Apr 14, Apr 28, May 26 & Jun 9

RSVP is encouraged through Eventbrite:
<http://bit.ly/spygedge>



Lectors Needed

Readers are needed for the 7:00pm Mass. If you are interested, please visit the parish office to complete a registration form. Once completed, you will be contacted by the Parish Lector Coordinator, David. Thank you!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul THANKS YOU!!!!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you all for contributing generously to our Christmas Collection and responding enthusiastically to the Christmas Gift Tree! The funds and donations collected will support our work throughout the coming year in responding to calls from those in need within our parish community. Many thanks to the staff and students of John Cabot High School, Philip Pocock High School, St. Edmund, S. Thomas More, St. Vincent de Paul and St. Teresa of Calcutta; our organizations: Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League and the St. Patrick's Youth Group— Many thanks to all of you! We wish each of you God's blessings in 2023! Thank you for your continued support!

Live the Liturgy

The shepherds returned from Bethlehem "glorifying and praising God." They were affected deeply by the sight of the infant Messiah and the message of the angels. What would the world look like, if we allowed ourselves to be likewise impacted by the word of God?

First Friday

January 6, 2023 is the First Friday of the month. Please join us for Mass at 7:00pm followed by the Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

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 at (905) 270-2301 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