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ADVENT



Mass Intentions

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 24

- 8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass: People of the Parish
- 9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass:
+ Christine & Lindsay Clegg
- 9:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Mass: + Cecilia Prophet
- 9:30 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass:
+ Lorraine & Bert Marchand
- 11:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Fr. Phil Wiley
- 11:00 a.m. St. Columbkille Mass: Jeannette & Keith
Dunford's 65th Wedding Anniversary Intentions



The Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th

- 6:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Alana Munro
- 7:00 p.m. St. Andrew's Mass: + Stuart McNeil
- 7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Mass:
+ Andrew & Carmel McIsaac
- 8:00 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass:
+ Mike & Eleanor Duffy & Deceased Members
- 9:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Mass: People of the Parish
- 9:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass:
+ Mike, Lois, Charlie, Alex Mahoney
- 12:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Christian Swales

The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day, Monday, December 25th

- 9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: Donor's Intention
- 9:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Mass: + Ted Conway
- 9:30 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass: + Jacquelin Grant
- 11:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Deacon Bob Sparkes
- 11:00 a.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Jim Butler

Tuesday, December 26

9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Bridget Onwuocha

Wednesday, December 27

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Vince Mallon

Thursday, December 28

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Zach Smith

Friday, December 29

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 30

9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Anita Audet
5:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: Donor's Intention
7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Mass: Intentions of Anne Buchanan

Sunday, December 31

The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass: People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Charles Hicks
9:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Mass: + Bernard Hanby
9:30 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass: Donor's Intention
11:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass:
Intentions of Bernadine Ainsworth
11:00 a.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Patrick Raftis



Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Sunday, December 31st Guardian Angels, Orillia

Thanksgiving Adoration: 4:00 p.m.
Mass: 5:00 p.m.

St. Columbkille, Ramara

Thanksgiving Adoration: 6:00 p.m.
Mass: 7:00 p.m.

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Monday, January 1st, 2024

Sacred Heart, Warminster	8:00 a.m.
St. Andrew's, Brechin	9:30 a.m.
St. Francis of Assisi, Washago	9:30 a.m.
Guardian Angels, Orillia	10:00 a.m.
St. Columbkille, Ramara	11:00 a.m.

Registration Form for the First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation, for Grade 2's, is available on the parish website or at the parish office.



Please contact guardianangelsor@archtoronto.org

Registration is due by December 31st, 2023.



The CSJ Lalemant Community is planning the annual Advent **Sock Drive** again. Boxes are at the entrances of St. Columbkille and Guardian Angels Churches.

Please help our less fortunate with warm socks this winter. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

Christmas Flowers



Would you like to sponsor Poinsettias for the Christmas decorations this year? If you are able to do so, please use envelopes marked "Christmas Flowers" at the entrances of the Church.

New Year Bottle Drive Fundraiser

Knights of Columbus are starting 2024 with a Liquor, Wine, Beer, Can & Bottle Drive.

Date: January 6, 2024

**Drop off Location: Speedy Glass
315 West St. South**

From 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

PLEASE NO EARLY DROP OFFS



Porch Pick Up is available. Contact Bill Brown 705-796-5443 or email maxwellbill1951@gmail.com.

All money raised will help support our family of Catholic Churches, Saint Vincent de Paul, Catholic Schools and our community.

FINANCIAL DONATIONS FOR 2023

All financial donations made to the Parishes are credited to the year that they are received by the church and **NOT** according to the date on the cheque or the envelope. If you wish to make additional donations this year, please ensure that they are received in the parish office before December 28, 2023. This will guarantee that they will be deposited before the end of the calendar year. They will then be added to your tax receipt for 2023.

Office Holiday Hours

Tuesday, 26 December: Closed

Wednesday, 27 December: Closed

Thursday, 28 December: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



"The Lord said to me: You are my Son. It is I who have begotten you this day." (Psalm 2.7)

I am very happy to wish you all my Prayerful Greetings as we enter the Christmas Season. Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter itself. Celebrating the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, it is the culmination of the mystery of the incarnation, the feast of God becoming flesh. It is a uniquely Christian teaching, the Divine choosing to become one of us. The story of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ is a reminder to us all that God came to live among us, Emmanuel (God-with-us) to be close to us, and to save us from our sins. Jesus gave us himself as a gift to us. It is a story that still rings true today.

As we celebrate the Nativity of Jesus, we remain eternally grateful to God for all the blessings, especially for the gifts of life, family, faith community, friends and neighbors. I take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely as you have been such a blessing to our parish by being active and supporting us with your gifts of time, talents and timely financial help. My special gratitude goes to all the volunteers in our different ministries who do such a wonderful job in serving the various needs of our parish with much enthusiasm and commitment. I hope and pray that you will have a wonderful and blessed time during this Christmas Season.

***Rejoicing in the miracle of Christ's birth,
may your home be filled with love,
your heart with faith,
and your life with God's endless blessings.
Merry Christmas!***



*Along with the parish staff we wish you and your loved ones a
Merry Christmas
and a blessed
New Year*

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