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7:00 PM

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday

9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons

1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed

Friday closed

Sunday:

9:30 am to 1:00 pm

6:30 to 8:30 pm

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers
Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM

12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers:
Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact ext. 222, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Please call Fr. Dan Callahan, ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Development and Peace
www.dev.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group
Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)
During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 4

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122:1-4,7-10

Matthew 8:5-11. 13

5:30 pm Barbara Hrestak +

Tuesday, December 5

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-2-7-8,12-13, 17 Luke 10:21-24

5:30 pm Int. of Irene

Wednesday, December 6

Isaiah 25:6-10 Psalm 23:1-6

Matthew 15:29-37

5:30 pm Filomenia Mota+

Thursday, December 7

Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118:1,8-9,19-21, 25-27 Matthew 7:21:24-27

5:30 pm Paul Fijalkowski

Friday, December 8

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm 98:1-4

Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12 Luke 1:26-38

5:30 pm Ester Johnson +

Saturday, December 9

Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26 Psalm 147

1-6 Matthew 9:35- 10:1, 5, 6-8

5:30 pm Thomas Keene +

Sunday, December 10

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Psalm 85: 8-13

2 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

8:30 am Galea Family

10:00 am Veronica & John Volk

12:00 pm The Parish Community

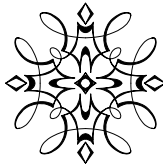
7:00 pm Alex McCloy +

Monthly Comparison for: November

Offertory	2016	2017
Envelopes	\$ 17,236	\$ 14,224
Loose	\$ 4,413	\$ 4,420
PAG	\$ 6,250	\$ 6,915
Total	\$ 27,899	\$ 25,559

Building and Maintenance contributions for November \$5,150.

First Sunday of Advent



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Peace and Goodness to all!

Last week at all the masses we announced the sad news that Fr. John Kiesling SA, my predecessor as pastor of St. Joan of Arc from 1997-2008 passed away on Nov. 23, 2017 in a New York hospital. His funeral was held yesterday at Graymoor with Fr. Brian Terry, SA the Minister General of the Atonement Friars presiding. Fr. John was deeply loved by so many whom he served so well. He will continue to be in our prayers. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

Today, on this first Sunday of Advent we begin the new liturgical year. It is a time to reflect on Salvation History, as we prepare to celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord at Christmas. This season presents us with the challenge to be attentive in our prayer as we contemplate the coming of our Lord to bring peace and reconciliation to the world. As the world around us, is bustling with commercial activity, we are called to be contemplatives in the marketplace who consider that God is with us in all things to reconcile us in the Love of Christ who has come to save us and to reconcile us with God and one another. Let us pray for peace in our lives and in our world as we say Come Lord Jesus.

On Saturday, we gathered members from all of our parish committees and ministries for a morning of prayer and reflection at our annual Advent retreat. This was a time to come aside to pray with the scriptures of the Advent season and prepare us to celebrate in the true spirit of Christmas. We pray with Mary the Mother of Jesus, that His birth will bring new life and joy to our hearts as we serve the needs of our parish and the world he came to save. Last Sunday, St. Nicolas Day was a great success. We thank the Youth group for the wonderful service they provided in making this family day so much fun. We are still collecting toys for the children to be distributed by the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Santa's sleigh is at the foot of the sanctuary to deposit unwrapped toys for children. The Christmas ornaments marked for men and women's gifts for Winter Welcome table will be placed in the back of the church starting this week. Details will be in the bulletin.

The finance and the building committees held a combined meeting on Tuesday. The building committee members have been shepherding the work on the building envelope study that has been underway to examine the full conditions of our facilities, so that we are aware of any work that will need to be done in the coming years. This study examines everything from the electrical, heating, and plumbing conditions to the state of the foundations, the walls the roof, and the tower. The finance committee reported on the resources that are available for any repairs that might need to be made as well as its ordinary business of preparing the budget for the coming year. We are deeply grateful for the service the members of these committees provide for the parish and we invite anyone who has experience or expertise in finance, or building trades to please come forward to volunteer for these committees. If you are interested, please send a resume to the office and contact me or the office to discuss the possibilities. Thank you.

We all experience a busy season this time of year, so it is all the more important that we make time to pray so we may be mindful of God's presence and care in all matters. May the Peace of the Lord be always with us.

In the love and joy of Christ Jesus
Fr. Dan

Please Pray for

The Sick: John Sobie, Catherine Rodrigues

Deceased: Faustina Mac Donald, Bruce Irving

FRIARS STUDENT WRITING AWARD 2018

Students aged 14 to 18 are invited to write a 500 hundred word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2018. The theme this coming year is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power" (cf. Exodus 15:6. See posters in the parish hall or vestibules of the church and chapel for more details.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:30 pm. This year's Advent Carol Service will take place on Tuesday, with our choirs, and choirs from Bishop Marrocco Thomas Merton High School and the neighbouring churches. Everyone is welcome!

WINTER WELCOME TABLE

This week, you will find paper ornaments at the entrance of the church, Marked "Man" or "Woman", for this year's Christmas dinner for the clients of the Winter Welcome Programme. This dinner is hosted by the volunteers of St. Joan of Arc and St. Peter's parishes, the Monday before Christmas. Each parish will provide gifts to be distributed at that dinner. Thank you for supporting this important endeavour.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

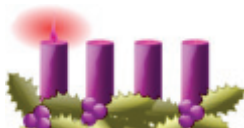
We have our monetary collection this week to help with food for our clients over the Christmas holidays. You May included you donation with the offertory collection or in the poor box. Please print your information clearly on the envelope, so that tax receipts can be issued to you.

Watch the Bulletin for:

For all the Christmas preparations and upcoming activities.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT -

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997
email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca



THIS WEEK

MONDAY DECEMBER 4

4:30 pm Youth Group

7:30 pm D & P

Tuesday, December 5

7:30 Advent Carol Service

Wednesday, December 6

4:30 pm Religious Education

7:30 pm RCIA

Future Dates to Remember

Sunday, December 10

1:30 pm 1st Pageant Rehearsal

Monday, December 11

4:30 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm SVDP

Tuesday, December 12

7:30 pm Ministry Committee

Wednesday, December 13

4:30 pm Religious Education

7:30 pm RCIA

Saturday, December 16

10:00 am SVDP

Sunday December 17

1:30 pm 2nd Pageant Rehearsal



Advent Calendar

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