

St. Joan of Arc Parish

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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 7:00 p.m.

Monday to Friday 5:30 p.m.

Baptism: Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Pre-Baptismal meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Contact: Sheila Malloch

Marriage: Diocesan regulations require that the initial Interview take place one year prior to planned date. Please call the office for an appointment.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. or by appointment.





MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3

1 John 3:22-4:6 Ps 2:7-8,10-11

Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

5:30 pm No Mass

Tuesday, January 4

1 John 4:7-10 Psalm 72:1-2, 3-4,7-8

Mark 6:34-44

5:30 pm Catherine Garrity +

Wednesday, January 5

1 John 4:11-18 Psalm 72:1-2, 10-11,

12-13 Mark 6:45-52

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Thursday, January 6

1 John 4:19-5:4 Psalm 72:1-2, 14-15.

17 Luke 4:14-22

5:30 pm Int. of Christine Munro

Friday, January 7

1 John 5:5-13 Psalm 147:12-13, 14-

15, 19-20 Luke 3:12-16

5:30 pm Bridie Hickey +

Saturday, January 8

1 John 5:14-21 Psalm 149:1-2, 3-4,

5-6,9 John 3:22-30

5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Sunday, January 9

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 Psalm 29:1-2,3:4,

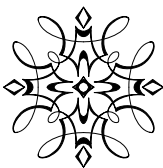
9-10 Matthew 3:13-17

8:30 am Mary O'Neill +

10:00 am Leonora O'Keefe +

12:00 noon Dick Bresnchant

7:00 pm Parish Community



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Merry Christmas

Happy Chanukah

Blessed Holidays

Happy New Year

Dear Parishioners and Visitors to St. Joan of Arc:

On December 2nd, the choir was practicing in the Church for an evening of Christmas lessons and carols. The event gathered our combined choirs and ecumenical participants to sing of the season and lead the shared community to celebrate the feast. I heard them through the walls. Such sharing brings new ideas to grace our various parish Christmas liturgies. The Children's liturgy, evening and midnight masses are always filled to capacity. With Christmas on Saturday, Sunday's feast will double the celebrations.

In front of me, in my room, is a Christmas tree; the first of many now decorated throughout the Church and hall. Behind me out the window is a festoon of multicolored lights that adorn the hill behind the friary. I'm surrounded. Our new bells toll Christmas songs each evening. The cheerful colours and sounds fill what could be cold and dreary nights with beauty and joy. How well these sensations reflect the meaning of Christmas. God is with us as our light and inspiration all our days. At Christmas time we pause to celebrate it together with everything we are and have.

This is my third Christmas here at St. Joan of Arc Parish in Toronto and it is fun to see the traditions repeated with little changes that make each year a little different from the ones before. The enthusiasm and shared ideas and efforts of many groups and individuals are all pitched in to make things wonderful. Many of our groups host many celebrations throughout the season. What a joy it is to be in the midst of it.

Now, here in the midst of the preparations is, a pause to say to all of you, Merry Christmas, I send my love and prayerful best wishes to all of you, your families and loved ones. I pray that the Holy Spirit of the Christ Child will grace your lives with peace and joy in abundance in this season, in the New Year, and always.

In the Peace and Joy of Christ!

Fr. Dan



Please Pray for:

Deceased: Mary O'Neill, Alphonsus (Frank) Gallagher, Daniel Savident

Bishop's Visit

The Most Rev. Bishop William Mc Grattan, will be visiting our parish the weekend of January 14 to 16th. We believe that he will be presiding at most, if not all of the masses that weekend.

Did you ever think?

To remember St. Joan of Arc Parish in your will! Just as you support the parish in the Offertory, you can remember your parish in your will.

Offertory Envelopes.

If you didn't have a box for 2010, and would like one for 2011, drop by the office and a box will be issued to you.

Religious Education & Sunday School News

Sunday School and all Religious Ed classes will resume on January 9, 2011. Confirmation classes will begin on February 1st, 2011.

Journey of the Heart: the Life of Henri Nouwen January 10

Free: A special Screening of Journey of the Heart: the Life of Henri Nouwen. Journey of the Heart is a thoughtful and thought provoking look at the life of one of the most significant spiritual leaders of our generation. For more information call 416 926-2287 or email nouwensociety@nouwen.net or go to the website in the events section of www.HenriNouwen.org.

Parish Office

The office will re open on Tuesday, January 4th, 2011.

A Message from the Catholic Women's League

Thank you to all the parishioners for your support of our endeavours over the past year. We wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Dedication Prayer for the New Year

Heavenly Father, in this year of grace, the church awaits your Fire of Love. May that same Spirit hover over her as a sign of hope, like the dove which greeted Noah after the great flood, to sanctify us again as Your holy people, won by the grace of baptism. Send your Holy Spirit to live in us and breathe through us, perfecting our thoughts, directing our actions. May he teach us how to pray, for we cannot even speak the name of Jesus but by His aid. In the Holy Spirit I give You praise,
O Lord and offer to You my talents, desires and intentions that I may live this day as Your obedient servant. As on the first Pentecost, come with the strength of a might wind and fill us with Your zeal to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Thank you!

Have you seen the angel? We thank Viola Perkins for donating this fixture to adorn the choir area of our church.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, January 5

7:30 pm RCIA

Thursday, January 6

7:00 pm Marriage Prep

Future Dates to Remember

Saturday, January 15

10:00 am Parish Council

With The Most Rev. Bishop McGrattan

New Address for:

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32 Cedar Lane
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*The Parish Staff wishes everyone a very Happy and Blessed New Year!
May the year 2011 be a healthy and prosperous year for you all!*



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