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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MONDAY, December 25TH, 2017
SUNDAY, December 31ST, 2017

MONDAY, December 25TH 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - Vietnamese	} Parishioners' of St. Rose of Lima } } }
TUESDAY, December 26TH 8:30 a.m.	† Poor Souls in Purgatory
WEDNESDAY, December 27TH 7:00 p.m.	† Daniel & Paula Aranas
THURSDAY, December 28TH 7:30 a.m.	† Paul Kempf
FRIDAY, December 29TH 7:00 p.m.	† Eva Gonzales
SATURDAY, December 30TH 5:00 p.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving for Isaiah - Marilou Macandog</i>
SUNDAY, December 31ST 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. - Vietnamese	} Parishioners' of St. Rose of Lima } } }

- **VOCATION ADORATION SUNDAY**- Every 3rd Sunday of the month. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from Saturday, after the 5 p.m. Mass to Sunday at 7 a.m.
- **HEALING MASS** – every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- **BREAKING OPEN THE WORD** – Mondays from 7:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. in the Church.
- **NEW EVANGELIZATION MINISTRY** – Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs are available at the office for a donation of \$7.
- **LIBRARY & RESOURCE CENTRE** – Library materials can be returned to the Library on Sunday or to the office during the week.

LET US PRAY for the sick members of our parish community so that they may receive the gift of healing this Christmas; Lumen Duterte Alonzo, Crystal, Jacob Brachfeld, Lelet Fernandez, Kimberly Pereira, Placida Acebedo, Samira-Eid, and Clement Kelly.

A message from St. Rose of Lima Catholic School 3220 Lawrence Ave. East

Our school is currently looking to hire a lunchtime school supervisor.

This paid position is open to the community and we are seeking someone who enjoys working with children.

Interested candidates, please contact the school at 416-393-5269, or simply drop by.



We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love."

An offering made in memory of a deceased loved one.
 An acknowledgement for your donation will appear in the weekly bulletin but no tax receipt is issued.

Bread and Wine	\$25
Sanctuary Lamp (Church)	\$20
Lamps beside Exposed Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel	\$10/each
Oil for Altar Candle	\$10



The Marriage Preparation Course for **2018** at St. Rose of Lima will commence on **Sunday, January 14, 2018** and run on consecutive Sundays until **Sunday, March 4, 2018** from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. This course is designed for couples entering marriage for the first time. Couples should contact the Church office to speak to one of our parish priests ahead of time. The fee for the course is \$125.00 per couple and is payable at the start of the course.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

The Bread and Wine that were consecrated this week, The Sanctuary Lamps (Chapel and Church) and The Oil for Altar Candles was donated by Russel & Cynthia Pinto in loving memory of the Pinto & Mathias family.



CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2017

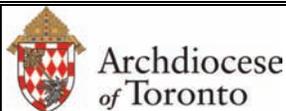
Do you consider yourself “CHRISTIAN?” How do you celebrate Christmas?

Christians celebrate Christmas as a “Feast of Faith.” Without Faith, Christmas will only be something social. Christmas is a GIFT wrapped in LOVE to be received in Faith. When we wish everyone “Merry Christmas!”, we should remember that “Christmas” is a fruit of faith. Christmas can only be merry because LOVE was revealed to us and came to live among us – the GOD with us, the EMMANUEL!

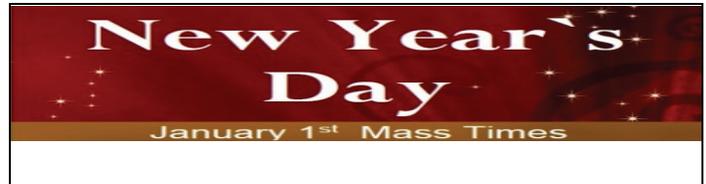
Unfortunately, Christmas has been claimed by everybody as a “long weekend holiday” of joy without remembering HIM who brought that reason for joy. Christmas has become a season of shopping and gift giving, but people have forgotten how difficult it must have been for Mary and Joseph to find a room in the inn, and the unfortunate couple continues to be rejected in our broken homes. This rejection also leads our rejection of Jesus, whom they want to bring into our hearts and homes!

Christmas is God’s gift to us, because it is the greatest feast of all. Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus. Let us regain the real merriment of Christmas and return to the real reason for the season. By faith, all these will be possible.

Christmas is God’s gift to us. And so this season we pray:
“Emmanuel, God with us, increase our faith. Set our faith in fire again. Help us to live our faith with courage. Use us to spread faith in our families and our parish. Lord, increase our faith! Emmanuel, strengthen our faith!”



We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, Telephone: 416-968-0997; email: vocations@archtoronto.org**



	NEW YEAR'S EVE	CHAPEL CLOSED
SUN Dec 31 ST	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. - Vietnamese 5:00 p.m.	(office closes at 1:30 p.m.)
MON Jan 1 ST	NEW YEAR'S DAY 2018 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. - Vietnamese	(office & chapel closed)

SUNDAY MISSALS 2017-2018 - \$5.00
 Sunday Missals are available for purchase at the Parish Office.

HOLY FAMILY STATUE

All those who wish to receive the Blessed Statue into their home for one week (Sunday through Saturday) are requested to register at the Parish office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

XLT: "Resolve"
Tuesday, January 2, 2018 7:00pm - 9:00pm

It's 2018! How will I grow in Faith?
 Prayer, Praise, Witness & Adoration

Featuring: Joel Stepanek, Joe Zambon, Jenn Reitzel, Msgr. Vid Vlastic & Andrew Santos (*Host*)

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For the youth to grow closer to Christ we pray, Hail Mary...



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