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SUNDAY MASSES:

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy)

8:30 a.m. English Mass

9:30 a.m. Sung English Mass 11:30 a.m. Sung Latin Mass

(Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Before every Mass on Sundays Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS:

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday

10:00 a.m. Saturday

MARRIAGES:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

BAPTISMS: On Sundays by appointment.

PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

Mr. Philip Fournier: 416-538-5893

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-9944

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

9:30 SUNG ENGLISH MASS Baptism of the Lord

Opening Hymn: 327 – The First Nowell

Kyrie: 205

Creed: *more ambrosiano*

Offertory Hymn: 534 – The God whom Earth and

Sea and Sky Sanctus: 208 Agnus: 209

Closing Hymn: 322 – O Come All Ye Faithful

11:30 USUS ANTIQUIOR

Holy Family

Praeludium, G. Bohm Introit Exsultet gaudio Kyrie 6 Rex Genitor

Gloria 6

Gradual *Unam petii* Alleluia *Vere tu es*

Credo 1

Offertory Tulerunt

Sanctus 6 Agnus 6

Communion Descendit Jesus

Magnificat (3rd Setting) D. Buxtehude

Vespers and Benediction

Sundays at 5:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church, 1372 King Street West

PARISH FINANCES (DECEMBER 24 - JANUARY 3)

Christmas Collection	\$7858
December 26/27 Collection	\$2911
January 1 Collection	\$2676
January 2/3 Collection	\$3470
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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 11

8:00 Fr. Juvenal Merriell, req. by the Rosary Group

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Religious

8:00 Xavier Ezman, req. by L & B Ezman

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor

8:00 (+) Albert Luke Walker, req. by Etta Walker

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 Pontisso Family, req. by the Pettigrew Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00 (+) John & Maria Leben, req. by Antonia Leben

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

10:00 In honour of Blessed Joseph Vaz of the Oratory 5:00 Lucien Ezman Family, req. by Jean Kotwa

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2010

... Are now available at the back of the church. Please pick up the box that has your name on it. We have eliminated the boxes from number 249 and up (sorry, but we had too many extra boxes), so if you previously had one of those numbers, or if you are not currently using envelopes for the regular collection, please take a box without a name assigned to it. Also, kindly put your name and address on the first few envelopes so that we can make sure that our database is up to date.

VOCATION SEEDS

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park, 416-968-0997.

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PARISH VOLUNTEERS – THANK YOU!

The Parish depends on volunteers in so many ways – singers, ushers, cleaners, flower arrangers, members of various parish

organizations and committees, and more. Inspired by the Magi who brought gifts, the Fathers of the Oratory would like to thank all the volunteers with a Novena of Masses. The novena will take place from **Monday**, **February 1 to Tuesday**, **February 9**.



PARISH BRUNCH

Sunday Brunch January 31st after the 9:30 a.m. Mass! Come down to the hall and share a light brunch with fellow parishioners. Tea, coffee, and of course, food! Everyone is welcome.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES!

Some concern has been raised about the plight of stores and businesses on Roncesvalles during the reconstruction of the street. The two-year upheaval is causing considerable hardship for many vendors: some are in danger of going under, others are at least 40% down from last year. Please consider shopping locally and patronizing the restaurants and other businesses on Roncesvalles to help ease their burden.



WINTER ICE AND SNOW

The parish has a very good snow shoveller, but sometimes he can't be here as soon as freezing rain or snow starts. There are pails with ice and snow

melter near all doors. Please feel free to use it to help keep our grounds safe for people. And please do be careful, especially on the front steps.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The group meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church in the parish hall. Next class will be on Tuesday, January 12 – Party and Quiz!

TEEN BIBLE STUDY!

If you are in high school and would like to join other youth in a lively study of Scripture, then come on out! The group meets on Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. in the rectory at Holy Family Church. This year we are looking at the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles.

ADULT CATECHISM

Want to have a better understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church? Consider joining our adult catechism class! Classes will resume in the third week of January. Details to come.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS

Begins on January 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church and runs 7 consecutive Mondays. Registration will take place at the first class.

CATHOLIC CIVIL RIGHTS LEAGUE WELCOMES YOUR SUPPORT

The Catholic Civil Rights League promotes Catholic teaching in the public forum through dialogue with the

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A sermon by St Gregory Nazianzen

John is baptising when Jesus draws near. Perhaps he comes to sanctify his baptiser; certainly he comes to bury sinful humanity in the waters. He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake and in readiness for us; he who is spirit and flesh comes to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water.

The Baptist protests; Jesus insists. Then John says: I ought to be baptised by you. He is the lamp in the presence of the sun, the voice in the presence of the Word, the friend in the presence of the Bridegroom, the greatest of all born of woman in the presence of the firstborn of all creation, the one who leapt in his mother's womb in the presence of him who was adored in the womb, the forerunner and future forerunner in the presence of him who has already come and is to come again. I ought to be baptised by you: we should also add, "and for you," for John is to be baptised in blood, washed clean like Peter, not only by the washing of his feet.

Jesus rises from the waters; the world rises with him. The heavens, like Paradise with its flaming sword, closed by Adam for himself and his descendants, are rent open. The Spirit comes to him as to an equal, bearing witness to his Godhead. A voice bears witness to him from heaven, his place of origin. The Spirit descends in bodily form like the dove that so long ago announced the ending of the flood and so gives honour to the body that is one with God.

Today let us do honour to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received – though not in its fullness – a ray of its splendour, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

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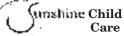
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