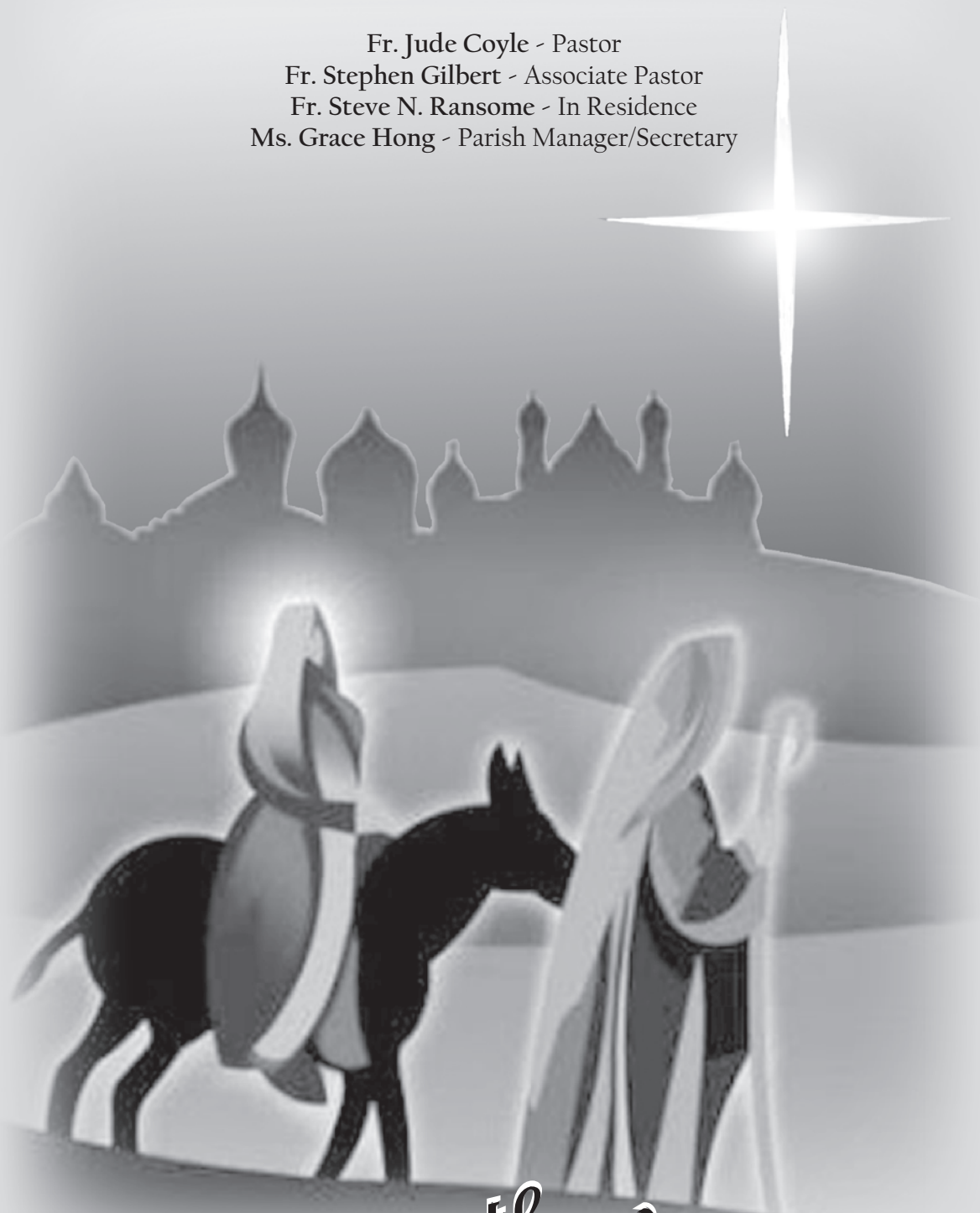


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*"Jesus was born of Mary,
who was engaged to Joseph, son of David."*

PRAY WITH THE SAINTS



Join us in prayer in communion with these great saints and all the saints in Heaven at the 8:00AM and 12:30PM Masses on weekdays, and 9:00AM Mass on Saturday.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him."

CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL CONCERTS



5:40PM—Mini Carol Concert before the 6:00PM Mass featuring the Children's Choir.
8:00PM—Carol Concert before the 9:00PM Mass featuring the Youth Choir.
11:00PM—Carol Concert before the 12:00 Midnight Mass featuring the Adult Choir.

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2017. The Theme for this coming year is "*Reconciliation — The love of Christ compels us*" (cf. 2 Corinthians: 5:14-20). First prize is an iPad Air 2 (64GB).

Deadline for entries is **January 13, 2017**.

For more information call: 416 934 3400 ext. 344 or 416 934 3410 ext. 403

ACT OF CONTRITION

O, my God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with the help of your grace,
to do penance, to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.
In his name, O my God, have mercy. Amen.

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday Dec. 19th — Friday Dec. 23rd 2016

Daily Masses at 8:00AM & 12:30PM

Saturday, Dec. 24th, 2016

CHRISTMAS EVE

Masses at 6:00PM, 9:00PM, & 12:00 Midnight
(No 9:00AM Daily Mass or Confessions)
Parish Office Closed

Sunday, Dec. 25th, 2016

CHRISTMAS DAY

Masses at 9:30AM, 11:00AM, & 12:30PM
(No 8:00AM or 7:00PM Mass)

Monday, Dec. 26th — Thursday, Dec. 29th, 2016

Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Parish Office Closed

Friday, Dec. 30th, 2016

Feast of the Holy Family

Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Parish Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S EVE : Saturday, Dec. 31st, 2016

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 5:00PM & 7:00PM
Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Parish Office Closed

NEW YEAR'S DAY: Sunday, January 1st, 2017

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Masses at 8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM & 12:30PM
(No 7:00PM Mass)

Monday, January 2, 2017

Daily Mass at 9:00AM
Parish Office Closed

Regular Mass Schedule and Office Hours resume on
Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

**Advent Penitential Service: Mon. Dec. 19th
at 7:00 PM**

*There will be many priests available to hear individual
confessions on this evening following the service.*



ANNUNCIATION PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO CELEBRATES 175TH ANNIVERSARY

As the archdiocese begins its 175th anniversary celebrations, we pray for all those who have served the church faithfully. May we continue to share our gifts and talents, spreading the Good News and strengthening our faith community for yours to come. We pray to the Lord.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE SELECTION

A reminder to parents of children who are already registered for First Holy Communion: please visit the foyer after mass on December 17/18, to select the date and time when your child will be receiving First Holy Communion.

Important note: it is a first come first serve basis!

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS...



The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism: *Noah Makisig Ranges Gaspar, Frieda Rachel Tan Mortel, Lia Josephine Randazzo, Joshua Narciso Realegeno.*

Please keep these children in your prayers.

RIGHT TO LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Right to Life Christmas Cards will be sold for \$8 per 10 cards in the Religious Articles booth. All proceeds will go to support the Pro-Life Cause.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION



This weekend we will be taking up our monthly Building Fund Collection. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2017 and supports the bulletin service.

Call Liturgical Publications at (905) 624 4422 for those interested in adding their advertisement.

USE OF INCENSE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

A courtesy message to parishioners who are sensitive to burning incense:

Incense **will be used** at the 9:00PM and 12:00 Midnight Masses on Christmas Eve, and at the 11:00AM Mass on Christmas Day. Incense will **not** be used at the 6:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve, and the 9:30AM and 12:30PM Masses on Christmas Day.

CWL ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

The CWL of our Parish is asking all Parishioners to assist with the Annual drive for the Good Shepherd Refugee. We are asking for **men's socks, underwear, etc.** These articles are in short supply and, if you can help leave your donation in the Religious Articles Booth when you come to Sunday Mass December 18th. We will deliver them in time for the Christmas Season. Your generosity is always appreciated.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Please remember in your prayers all those parishioners who have gone to their rest in Christ, particularly those we remember who died recently: William Crawford

Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions



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