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*Feast of the Holy Family*



**DECEMBER 27TH, 2020**  
**HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,**  
**MARY AND JOSEPH**



**JANUARY 1 2021**  
**MARY THE HOLY MOTHER**  
**OF GOD**



**NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM FR. PETER MARR**

We are always looking for what is good in the New Year. This year it may seem difficult amid an ever-worsening pandemic. However, as Christians we are fundamentally optimistic. We always have the resurrection of Jesus in heart to remind us that nothing in this world can harm us in a way that God cannot give an even greater blessing. We have already faced Christ-mas in a new way. As we celebrate the coming of this new year it will help to remember that we do see things differently than the world does. January 1st is indeed the calendar date for the beginning of a new year. In our precious Catholic faith, it is also the feast of Mary the Mother of God. Many people do not realize that as they sleep off the celebrations of New Year's Eve, they are missing a holy day of obligation for Catholics.



What is really new about this holy day? In saying yes to God, Mary became the mother of Jesus and of our salvation. She is the Mother of our Lord, and our mother and intercessor in heaven, where we look forward to rejoicing with her and all the angels and saints, in the victory of her son who is Lord of all creation, the Eternal Word of God and the second person of the Holy Trinity. Mary is a sign of joy for us. She shows us the greatness that is in store for those who wait patiently, doing the will and work of God in this life.

We have always known that in this life there will be some hard times. And it seems that we are in one of those difficult times now. As Christians we also know that we are now among the chosen people of God, who never forgets those whom he loves. What then must we do in times like these? We must be like Mary, trusting, even when the odds are against us. We must be like the shepherds who were filled with a sense of wonder at this new revelation. We must be like Joseph, working out our duties as best we can, and sharing our love with those whom we are given to care for. So this year, take up your bible, your prayer book, your rosary and use the gifts of faith to get through this pandemic. With my prayers for a blessed, safe and holy New Year.

Fr Peter

**Mass Intentions**   
**FOR THE WEEK**

**DECEMBER 26TH TO JANUARY 2ND 2021**

Sat	Dec 26th	5:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
Sun	Dec 27th	7:30am	Thanksgiving for the Lugos Family
		9:00am	People of the Parish
		10:30am	Cecelia & Cyril Rodrigues †
		12:00pm	Soul of Ricarido Palencia †
Mon	Dec 28th	7:30pm	Michele Morra †
Tues	Dec 29th	8:30am	Soul of Winnie & Lolit Mirasol †
Wed	Dec 30th	7:30pm	Souls of Ricardo & Perla Tardecilla & Teofilo Estrella †
Thu	Dec 31st	5:00pm	In Thanksgiving from Lopez Hernandez Family
Fri	Jan 1st	10:30am	De Leon Family
Sat	Jan 2nd	8:30am	No Mass



**OUR SICK:**

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## **VISITING THE CHURCH FOR PERSONAL PRAYER TIME DURING THE LOCKDOWN:**

The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m. You may also visit the church on other days by making an appointment. Please call the office @ 416 261-5983 to arrange a time for personal prayer with Jesus. There is a limit of 10 people in the Church at a time.

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Confessions are always available by appointment.

Come and be renewed in heart and spirit to be reconciled with our God.



## **2021 SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES**

The 2021 Sunday donation envelopes are available in the office for pick-up. The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Please call the office to arrange a time to pick-up your envelopes. Thank you for continuing to support our Parish.



So many of the faithful rely on the reception of the sacraments and our churches to find solace, peace and support during this period of pandemic. Despite these new restrictions, we will make every effort to continue our outreach to you. We also ask that you find opportunities to assist those who are vulnerable or alone among us.

We pray that you and your loved ones remain safe and healthy. May God continue to bless you now and always!

## **DEADLINES FOR CONFIRMATION**



For elementary students currently in grade seven or who have not yet had the opportunity to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, you are invited to visit: [www.hopestone.ca/stbonifacescarborough](http://www.hopestone.ca/stbonifacescarborough) for information on how to register for this epic Sacrament!

Please submit the form, a copy of your baptismal certificate and the \$40 registration fee in a sealed envelope to the parish office by **January**

**10, 2021. Details regarding Masses scheduling will be posted once registration is closed.**

## **JANUARY MONTHLY MISSA LETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE.**



## **CWL CARING AND SHARING DRIVE**

THANK YOU to all those who have already donated items for the Good Shepherd Centre. We appreciate your support and participation in this endeavor.



Due to the Provincial lockdown restrictions, we are still accepting your donations. Please drop them off at the Parish Office.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel, the CWL Patroness, intercede for us.

## **DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS FOR 2020 TAX RECEIPT**

Please remember that December 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for donations to be included in the 2020 Tax receipt



## **PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR**

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee. Amen.



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