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Feast of the Holy Family

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Saint Joseph is Our Model

When my children were young, I developed an unexpected nightly ritual. Before going to bed, I went into their rooms and checked that they were asleep in their beds. I knew they were there – where else could they be? – but until I could see with my own eyes that they were safe, I could not get to sleep. Such is the protective instinct of parents.

Imagine what must have gone through Saint Joseph's mind when an angel came to him late one night and confirmed his worst fear – his child was in mortal danger and he had to do something. He got up instantly and, abandoning work, home and all social connections, hastily packed and led his child and mother away to safety.

To protect his child he chose to give up everything and become a refugee in a strange land. Such is the protective instinct of parents.

All parents want what Saint Joseph wanted – a safe home for their children. Some are forced to flee danger and become refugees, as he did. Others are more fortunate, and can stay in their homes and protect their children by ensuring them clean air, pure water, nourishing food, good education and a future filled with hope.

For parents, Saint Joseph offers a perfect lesson in parenting – take care of your children.

*Patrick Gallagher, Toronto, ON
Excerpted from Living With Christ*

Mass Intentions for

December 28, 2019 – January 4, 2020

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Noel & Suzy Correia
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rhea C. De Juan, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Steve Goller & intention of Claudine Goller
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Sorenia & Bernabe Sison
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+David Francis, requested by the family
Tuesday <i>New Year's Eve</i>	8:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the McPherson family, requested by S. McPherson
Wednesday <i>New Year's Day</i>	8:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Frances Roche
	10:00 a.m.	+Magdalene Machado, requested by F. Roche
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Fe Benavidez
	7:00 p.m.	Serviam Group intentions of our priests & parishioners and for priestly vocations
		+Eufemia Umayan, requested by the family
		+Robert Ervine, requested by P. & M. O'Brien
		+Mary Aseervatham, requested by the Benedict family
+Fr. John Walsh SFM, requested by M. Palumbo		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Ann McPherson, requested by L. Rodrigues
	7:00 p.m.	+Bertrand Lee, requested by S. Lee
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Eugene Lim

The Feast of the Holy Family

This Sunday we are reminded to strive to be true stewards to our family members, bearing their faults with love and sharing our gifts. One gift is sharing our time with each one. Let's ask ourselves how we can make our family better.

2019 / 2020 New Year's Mass Schedule

Date	Mass time
Mon., Dec. 30	7:30 a.m. Mass
Tues., Dec. 31 New Year's Eve	No 7:30 a.m. Mass
	6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
	8:00 p.m. Mass
Wed., Jan. 1 New Year's Day (Office closed)	8:30 a.m. Mass
	10:00 a.m. Mass
	11:30 a.m. Mass
	2:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
	No 8:00 p.m. Mass
Thurs., Jan. 2	Regular Mass schedule

THANK YOU!

THANK You SO VERY much Thank you for helping us help others!
The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul thanks all parishioners who brought gifts for the Angel Tree and/or donated to the Christmas collection. Your generosity helps those in need.

The Society also wishes to thank the continued support of the staff and students of St. John Paul II Secondary School and St. Thomas More Elementary School who helped with food collection and sponsored families for the Christmas Hamper Drive. This was a joint effort of our parishioners and volunteers who took part in this annual community initiative.

Help was provided to 96 families consisting of 213 adults and 167 children.

First Friday Adoration Friday, January 3, 2020

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Fri., Jan. 3 from 8:00 a.m. (after the 7:30 a.m. Mass) to 6:30 p.m. (before the 7:00 p.m. Mass). Please come and spend some time in adoration.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Geraldine Balarajah, Maurice Archer, Mikayla Haswell, Bashir McDoom, Phyllis & Anthony Cogliano, Tom Shaw and Graeme Caulfield. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Sacramental Prep News

CONFIRMATION

- Dec. 29 – no class

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

PUBLIC SCHOOL and baptismal prep students *only*

- Dec. 28 – no class
- Jan. 4 – class as scheduled

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

- Dec. 27 – Christmas break
- Jan. 3 – class resumes

ECFL – Early Catholic Family Life Program

Celebrate the gift of family and grow in the faith.



Grandparents, parents and children are invited on Sunday, February 2 after the 11:30 a.m. Mass to visit the ECFL family-friendly showcase:

- Information table
- Display booth
- Meet and greet our catechists and volunteers
- Hands-on fun activities for children with the help of their grandparents or parents.

For details, call 647-299-2189 or contact the ECFL Team at askstmp2016@gmail.com

Marriage Sunday Mass

Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.



As part of Marriage Sunday 2020 celebrations, Cardinal Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2020. If you

(or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2020, they are invited to join in this special celebration.

The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sun., Feb. 9 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Ave., Pickering). A reception will follow Mass. For registration and other important information, please contact 416-934-3400 ext. 523 or www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

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