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## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

## **MASS TIMES**

Monday – Friday 8:00 am

First Friday of the Month 7:00 pm

Saturday 8:30 am

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

11:00 am

12:30 pm

4:30 pm

## **CONFESSION TIMES**

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

and any time upon request

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

## **DEVOTIONS**

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday 7:50 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Perpetual Help - Saturday 8:20 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group –

Last Wednesday of the month 5:30 -6:30 pm

## **BAPTISM**

Contact the Parish office to register.

## **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

Contact the Parish office to register.

## **MARRIAGE**

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

## **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

**Please remember St. Mary Immaculate Parish in your will. Thank you!**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Beloved Parishioners,

I would like to say Thank You to everyone who helped make Archbishop Leo feel so welcomed here at St. Mary Immaculate Parish. Thank you to the Parish office staff, Choir, Ushers, Bosco, Sebastian and the Servers, Lectors, Knights of Columbus, traffic control, Anita and Mary for the beautiful flowers, Vito, Dave, and to Nancy for a wonderful welcome and presentation to Archbishop Leo. Thank you again to the family who donated the extraordinary Monstrance for the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Join us this Sunday after the 11:00 am Mass for the blessing and grand opening of the new Fatima Gift Shop.

Praying for you and your families.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pawel

### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE** **Sunday, December 24**

#### **Christmas Eve**

5:00 pm Children's Mass

10:00 pm Mass

11:30 pm Mini concert

12:00 am Midnight Mass

#### **Monday, December 25**

#### **Christmas Day**

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am Mass (Italian)

11:00 am Mass

12:30 pm Mass

4:30 pm Mass

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14** **ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION**

8:30 am – 9:30 am (3 Priests available)

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm (3 Priests available)

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (6 Priests available)

### **THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK**

Mon. Dec 11	Memorial	St. Damasus I, Pope
Tues. Dec 12	Feast	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas
Wed. Dec 13	Memorial	St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr
Thurs. Dec 14	Memorial	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor

### **READINGS THIS WEEK**

10 Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11: 2 Peter 3.8-14: Mark 1.1-8

11 Isaiah 35.1-10: Luke 5.17-26

12 Zec 2.10-13: Rev 11.19a; 12.1, 3-6a, 10ab: Luke 1.39-47

13 Isaiah 40.25-31: Matthew 11.28-30

14 Isaiah 41.13-20: Matthew 11.11-15

15 Isaiah 48.17-19: Matthew 11.16-19

16 Sirach 48.1-4, 9-11: Matthew 17.10-13

### **2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES**

The 2024 offertory envelope boxes are available for pick up and are located at the back of the Church. Envelopes are organized by the first letter of the surname. If you would like envelopes or need assistance, please contact the parish office.

### **ADVENT LOVE LETTERS TO JESUS**

#### **Dearest Baby Jesus.....**

If you were not born, we would not have Christmas. Please grant peace in the world and let there be no war for we are all brothers and sisters and we are united by Jesus. Please let this wish come true. P.S. Please let Father Pawel have good espresso and vino wine?

**With all my love.....**

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(Name)

### **GRAND OPENING & BLESSING OF** **FATIMA GIFT SHOP**

Join us this **Sunday, December 10** for the grand opening and blessing of our Fatima Gift Shop by Fr. Pawel following the 11:00 am Mass.

### **MOTHERS GROUP**

The Mothers Group will be meeting **Wednesday, December 13 at 7:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please join us. All are welcome.

### **CHRISTMAS PANETTONE & 2024 CALENDARS**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling panettone and 2024 calendars in the Church foyer after all the Masses this weekend **December 9/10** and the following **weekend December 16/17**. Consider buying not just for yourself, but to give as gifts!

### POINSETTIA PLANTS FOR THE CHURCH

We are accepting donations of poinsettia plants for Christmas starting **December 14**. Kindly drop off at the Parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

### BAMBINELLI SUNDAY (BLESSING OF BABY JESUS STATUES)

Pope John Paul II began the tradition of Bambinelli Sunday during his papacy to remind families about the joyous event of Baby Jesus' arrival in the manger. We invite you to bring your baby Jesus statues for a special blessing at the **11:00 am Mass next Sunday, December 17**.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Children are invited to participate in the Children's Christmas Eve Mass, **Sunday, December 24 at 5:00 pm**. If your child is interested in participating, please complete the permission form available on the tables at all the entrances to the Church. There will be 2 choir rehearsals **this Sunday, December 10 and next Sunday, December 17 from 10:30 am to 11:00 am**.



Listen to Catholic Espresso with Fr. Pawel and co-host Russell Hoyt from Texas. **Advent & Christmas Edition podcast.** Visit <https://anchor.fm/catholicesspresso> or our website for the link.



Come Join Us for Our Next Exciting Bible Study on **Follow Me – Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John** **Thursday mornings 9:15 am - 11:15 am** **January 25, 2024 to March 14, 2024**  
Contact Parish office to register.

### ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION UNDERWAY – SHARE YOUR IDEAS TO ASSIST WITH FUTURE PLANNING!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and **complete the short survey by December 15, 2023**, please visit: [www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation). Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Olivia Anne Caldana, Benjamin Robert Baxter  
& Nicholas Sam Resciniti

We welcome you into the Church! We wish the Parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at [stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org).

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, Immacolata Morlando, Hamid Hemmati

### SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

### DEC 11 - 17: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:

+Iolanda Miceli (nee Carnevale)

### MASS INTENTIONS DEC 11 – DEC 17

<b>Mon. Dec 11</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Mario & +Filomena Corbo
<b>Tues. Dec 12</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Vincenzo & +Concetta Buffone
<b>Wed. Dec 13</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Giuseppe Giusti
<b>Thurs. Dec 14</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Stephen Lappin
<b>Fri. Dec 15</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Brandon Balthazaar
<b>Sat. Dec 16</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Lucy Solomon Spec. Int. For Edith, Man Kit & Adrian Chan
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+Vittoria Giampietro +Tommaso & +Maria Di Zio
<b>Sun. Dec 17</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Raffaella Caldarola
	<b>9:30 am</b>	+Teresa Giusti +Carlo Evangelista +Caterina Pellegrini +Antonia & +Vincenzo Ruscica +Luigi, +Filomena & +Raffaele Tomasone Spec. Int. for the Carretta & Verducco Famiglie
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Arduino, +Regina, & +Antonio Mazzolli +Olga Guerrero Naranjo +Ayoub & +Nabiha Marche +Nick Garito +Rosanna Marchese +Antonio Paolucci +Chris Dissanayake +Mario & +Rosina Lanzellotti +Pietro & +Concetta Scalzone
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	+Patrizio Pardetti +Gilda & +Vincenzo Piazza



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