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St. Anne	905-883-0311
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.
Open by appointment only on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

MASS TIMES

Lauds: Monday to Friday	7:30 am
Monday - Thursday	8:00 am
Friday	8:00 am
	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 via zoom
Sacred Heart - Friday at 6:45 pm
Perpetual Help - After morning Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Contact the Parish office to register.

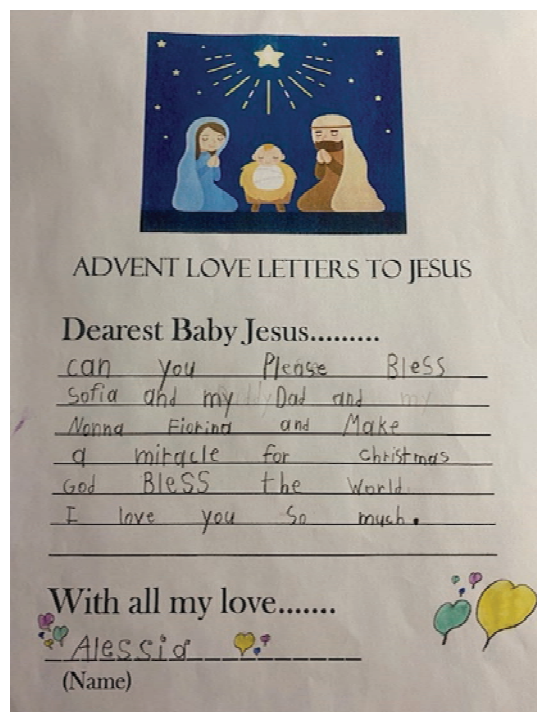
MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



ADVENT LOVE LETTERS TO JESUS

During the season of Advent, children are invited to write love letters to Jesus. Form letters are available online on our website under "advent & digital resources". Have the children write their love letter and email it to stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org or drop it off in the offertory basket at Mass. One letter will be chosen each week by Fr. Pawel and will be highlighted in the parish bulletin and website.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Mon. Dec 13	Memorial	St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr
Tues. Dec 14	Memorial	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor

READINGS THIS WEEK

- 12** Zephaniah 3.14-18a; Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.10-18
- 13** Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a; Matthew 21.23-27
- 14** Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13; Matthew 21.28-32
- 15** Isaiah 45.6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Luke 7.19-23
- 16** Isaiah 54.1-10; Luke 7.24-30
- 17** Genesis 49.2, 8-10; Matthew 1.1-17
- 18** Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24

SCHEDULE OF LIVE-STREAM MASSES

(Live-stream Masses are available on YouTube channel, [SMI Parish](#))

Sunday Masses

9:30 am in Italian

11:00 am in English

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24

No 8:00 am morning Mass

Christmas Eve

3:00 pm Mass

5:00 pm Mass (livestream)

10:00 pm Mass

12:00 pm Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Day

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am Mass (Italian) (livestream)

11:00 am Mass (livestream)

12:30 pm Mass

No 4:30 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT

Confessions are **every Saturday from 4:00 – 5:00 pm** with 2 priests hearing confessions. Advent Day of Confession will take place on **Friday, December 17, 2021**. Please see the Advent/Christmas schedule for more information.

POINSETTIA PLANTS FOR THE CHURCH

We are accepting donations of poinsettia plants for Christmas. Kindly contact the Parish office to make an appointment to drop off at the Parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

The 2022 offertory envelope boxes are available for pick up and are located in 3 areas of the Church, Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, Sacred Heart of Jesus Chapel and at the back of the Church. Envelopes are organized by the first letter of the surname. A big thank you to the ladies who assisted with the envelopes. If you need the envelopes to be delivered to your home, please contact the parish office.

THE CWL COOKBOOK

"Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord Psalm 34"

is now available for purchase following all weekend Masses, in the Church foyer and outside the north entrance as you leave the church. Books are \$15 each or two for \$25. Thank you for helping support the CWL outreach ministries.

MOTHER'S GROUP

will be meeting virtually **Tuesday, December 14 at 8:00 pm** via Parish Zoom. Email mothersgroup@smirh.com to receive your zoom invitation.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SECOND COLLECTION - THANK YOU!

Thank you for your support of the SSVP special collection these past weeks!

For the past 15 years, the Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Outreach Program has been an important source of assistance for our Neighbours in Need who are served by our parish. This group of Neighbours is diverse, with a variety of needs – some are single with different abilities, we have families who work but have low income, and parents raising children on their own with little support. As the winter months approach expenses increase, and budgets are tight. Basic expenses for food, rent and transportation continue to rise.

We are so thankful for the support we receive each year from our parish and that has enabled us to continue to assist our Neighbours and fund our Christmas Outreach Program. Previously, we provided baskets of useful items and gift cards to help meet basic needs for the families we help. Again this year, due to COVID-19, we are forced to move to a gift card only model. This was well received by our Neighbours as they were able to stretch the dollars to meet the most immediate and specific needs of their children and for themselves. In this way, because of your generosity, we expect to assist more than 120 families. Wishing you all the blessings of the Christmas Season. Your Vincentian team.

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We are almost there. We still have to the end of December to support ShareLife. We have achieved **93% or \$160,943.95 of our \$173,000 goal**. Thank you for your support of ShareLife.

"Thank you to the hardworking ShareLife volunteers and parish committee members, who found innovative ways to raise funds in these challenging circumstances. And thank you to each and every person who showed solidarity with those who suffer by making a sacrificial gift."
– Cardinal Thomas Collins

To learn more about ShareLife, visit their website sharelife.org

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

is looking for lunchtime supervisors to work for an hour a day to supervise students over the lunch hour. This is a paid position. If you are interested please contact the school at 905-770-8713.

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversations

Third Sunday of Advent

My brother ---a chronic loser of keys, coats, cars---has a great vision of how heaven will work for him. Upon arrival, St. Peter will take him to a long series of lockers. Looking down his Big Chief tablet, St. Peter will say, "Ah. Here you go." Finding the combination for the padlock, he will open his locker, and there---hallelujah!---will come tumbling out every bus pass, gym shirt, ignition key, and bike lock whose infuriating absence made his life such a challenge.

That's his heaven---not only the restoration of every lost item, but a map to show him exactly WHERE he lost it, so he can check that aggravation off his list.

Now, John the Baptist, whom I suspect had the inside track on how heaven actually works, might have envisioned that same scenario differently. When we arrive in heaven, it's John who meets us, and he knows exactly where our locker is. "Ah, Kathy," he'll say, sadly shaking his head. "Here it is." And out will fall the hundreds of extra coats, extra groceries, extra-long showers, and extra free time, that I squandered.

Then, CLACK, I'll hear the gates of heaven closing to me, not to open again until I haul all my stuff out and find the people around the world who could have made much better use of it than I did. And with every loosening of my grip, I'll notice myself feeling lighter, happier, until heaven reaches down to take me.

Oh, so THAT'S how it works! I'll say. I forgot St. Luke's most important point! Heaven is for the unencumbered! That makes it so much easier when you're floating home to God.
What might be weighing you down as you grow closer to heaven?
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CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Robert Angiolella & Alessia Betti

We wish them an abundance of God's graces and the loving care of our Mother Mary!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Lucia Tidona & +Pietro Tuzi

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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 13 - 19: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:

+John Baptist Kaluya

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.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Ciyke, Clara Pacitti, Sandi Weinholdt

MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 13 – DECEMBER 19

Mon. Dec 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti +Filomena Santopolo
Tues. Dec 14	8:00 am	+Holy Souls of Purgatory
Wed. Dec 15	8:00 am	+For all Souls & Purgatory
Thurs. Dec 16	8:00 am	Private Intentions
Fri. Dec 17	8:00 am	+Rafaella Caldarola
	7:00 pm	+Dominic & +Gertrude Ho +Benito Zeppieri For intentions placed in Prayer Box
Sat. Dec 18	8:30 am	+John Baptist Kaluya +Raji Fernandopulle +Joan Morrin +Ken William Gallimore +Nikola & +Franjo Ruza +Duro & +Ivan Ruza
	5:00 pm	+Tiberio Simoes & +Corrado Morana
Sun. Dec 19	8:00 am	+Maria Zeppieri
	9:30 am	+Filomena Santopolo +Paolo Tanel +Clara Fevera +Nicolino Evangelista
	11:00 am	+Ruza & +Borislav Klecina +Regina, +Antonio & +Arduino Mazzoli +Jody Forno
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Leonard & +Lawrence McLean

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