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## **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
9:30 am (Italian)  
11:00 am  
12:30 pm  
4:30 pm

Lauds: Monday to Friday: 7:30 am

## **Weekday Masses:**

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am  
Friday: 7:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am  
Wednesday Italian Mass: 7:00 pm

## **Confession:**

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm  
15 minutes before each Sunday Mass.  
Weekdays: Appointment with the priest

## **Baptism:**

2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sunday at 2:00 pm

## **Marriage:**

Contact the priest one year in advance

**Holy Hour:** Every Friday Evening from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**First Friday Exposition & Adoration:** All Day from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm

**Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help:** Saturday morning at 9:00 am

**Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group:** Every Wed. 5:30 - 6:30 pm

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**Third Sunday of Advent  
December 13, 2009**



John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16

**From the  
Pastor's Desk**

- thanks to our parish choir for the meditative journey from Advent to Christmas last Sunday
- to our parish Knights of Columbus for placing the outside crib in front of the church – a wonderful sign value during secular times
- finally, in my four years, I have never seen our parish hall so active as at the pasta dinner last Saturday. Some 240 attended. We may have run out of hot water but may the warm spirit continue. Thanks to the good volunteers.
- May the good Lord continue to bless us all.

*Father John*

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Be an Angel and share with the less fortunate again this Christmas. The ANGEL TREE has returned to St. John's. Donations must be received by Sunday, December 13.

A Welcoming Door and a Good Cause!  
Fresh Christmas greenery decorated for your front door will be available in the vestibule on the weekends. Just \$10 and all proceeds will go to the Angel Tree.

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Come and join in praying the ROSARY each morning, Monday to Saturday, starting 20 minutes before Mass.

**COMMUNION  
REFLECTION  
for December 13, 2009**



Monday December  
8:15 a.m. for **THE INTENTION**  
Requested by Teresa

Tuesday December  
8:15 a.m. for + **DECEASED**  
**THE EXTENDED GODS**  
**ESPECIALLY JANET**  
Requested by the Gods

Wednesday Decemb  
8:15 a.m. for + **NOEL**  
Requested by Cynthia

Thursday Decembe  
8:15 a.m. for + **MICHEL**  
& **TERESA GA**  
Requested by the I

Friday December  
8:15 a.m. for + **GEORGE**  
Requested by Joan & G

Saturday Decembe  
8:15 a.m. for + **RONALD W**  
Requested by the I



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SOCK DRIVE – Again this year, E  
Columbus will be collecting new so  
toques for the poor served by The  
Shepherd Centre. Please leave your  
in the box at the back of the church

**Joy ...**

There is a clear note of joy in today's liturgy. Joy is a blend of laughter and tears. It consists in having a love affair with life. It is having a heart aglow with warmth for all one's companions on the road of life. It is looking for the happiness that comes in small packages knowing that big packages are few and far between. It is making the most of the present, enjoying what is. Joy is love bubbling over into life. And it can coexist with pain. Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace has taken up residence in our hearts.

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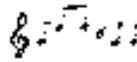
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**WHAT A SUCCESS!** – Thank you to all the parishioners that attended the Pasta Dinner last Saturday. Congratulations to all the winners of the draws. Thanks to everyone's generosity a \$400 donation was given to St. John's St. Vincent de Paul. Once again thanks to all the volunteers that donated and gave of their time. To the parish chefs that worked so hard at home and in the hall preparing such a wonderful meal we are truly thankful. Big thanks to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to spread some Christmas Cheer!!!

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**CAROLLING IN THE PARK** is a local tradition, since 1989, that will really give a boost to your Christmas spirit. Tuesday, December 15th from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at Glen Stewart Park (Glen Manor Dr. south of the footbridge). Dress warmly and bring a flashlight.



Blessed Sacrament Parish presents **A CHRISTMAS CONCERT WITH ROBERT PILON & FRIENDS**, Thursday, December 17th at 7:30 pm. 24 Cheritan Ave. (Yonge & Lawrence). Tickets are \$25 and are available at Broughton's 416-690-4777. Proceeds to ShareLife and St. Paul's Breakfast Club.

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*God our Father, you generously grant us all the gifts we have. Help us to understand that it is in the giving that we receive.*



	2008	2009
<i>Sunday Collection:</i>	\$5,946	\$4,789.50
<i>Offertory PAG:</i>	\$389.51	\$507.92

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**ATTENTION SPORT FANS** – The St. John's Church Sports Fan Club has tickets to the hottest family sports events this winter.

- On Wednesday Jan. 27, 2010, 7 pm, Toronto Raptors vs. Miami Heat basketball at the Air Canada Centre. Tickets \$29 each; **order and payment deadline Jan. 3rd.** The Sports Fan Club ticket price this year includes a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Raptors tickets include a \$5 donation. These ticket prices are cheaper than at the box office. To order tickets or for the schedule, please contact Jane Werniuk at 416-690-5250 (jane.werniuk@gmail.com).



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**SOLEMN**

**December**  
4:30 p.m.

**January**  
11:00 a.m.

AYER returns to St. John's Friday  
short, simple phrases and melodies,  
several times, become meditative.  
continued lighting in the church, it's a  
prayerful antidote to the busy-ness of hectic  
more hectic at this time of year.



## WINTER/CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

December 19th - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fr. Pierre Robitaille

Monsignor Brad Massman

Fr. Pierre Robitaille

Fr. Niru Kanmury

Fr. John Newton

Fr. Ben Jobin

Fr. Ben Jobin

Fr. John Newton (sanctuary)

December 23rd - 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Other time by appointment - 416-698-1105

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

December 24th - no morning Mass

- Family Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Pierre Homilist: Fr. John

- Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Niru Homilist: Fr. John

(midnight) - Mass

Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. John

December 25th

- Mass

Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Niru

December 26th - Feast of St. Stephen

Mass

### NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

SACRAMENT OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

January 31st

- Mass

February 1st

- Mass



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