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St. Anne 905-883-0311

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Wednesday

8:30 am - 8:00 pm

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

Friday 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

or by appointment with a Priest

ADORATION & EXPOSITION

Friday 1:00 pm - 6:45 pm

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday at 6:45 pm

Perpetual Help - After morning Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM

1st Sunday during 12:30 pm Mass

3rd Sunday at 2:00 pm

Baptismal Class: 1st Thursday at 7:00pm

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

I hope your Advent is going well. This week on Wednesday we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with an additional Mass at 7:00 pm.

In 1531 Our Lady appeared to a young Indian named Juan Diego.

During his visit to Mexico Pope Francis said "Just as she made herself present to little Juan, so, too, she continues to reveal herself to all of us".

May Our Lady of Guadalupe help us to prepare ourselves for Christmas.

Praying for you,
Fr. Pawel

HIGHLIGHT LOVE LETTER TO JESUS.....

Dearest Baby Jesus.....

Thank you for all you have given us.

Thank you Jesus for all the sacrifices for us I know your mother Mary would be very proud of you and she will please bless me every day!

With all my love.....

Beulah

(Name)

ADVENT LOVE LETTERS TO JESUS: During the season of Advent, children are invited to write a love letter to Jesus. A form letter is available at all the entrances to the Church. The love letters to Jesus will be collected by the Priest at Mass during the collection. One letter will be highlighted in the bulletin each week during Advent.

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Tuesday, December 11-Memorial-St. Damasus I, Pope.
Wednesday, December 12-Feast-Our Lady of Guadalupe. National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples.
Thursday, December 13-Memorial-St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr.
Friday, December 14-Memorial-St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor.

POINSETTIA PLANTS FOR THE CHURCH: Parishioners wishing to donate poinsettia plants to the Church for Christmas decorations may do so by **December 20th**. Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE-DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be held **Friday, December 21st** 8:30am – 9:30am, 12:00pm – 1:00pm and 6:00pm – 8:00pm.

✂ CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE ✂

Christmas Eve (December 24th)
 5:00 pm Mass (Children's Liturgy)
 10:00 pm Mass
 12:00 pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day-The Nativity of the Lord (December 25th)
 8:00 am Mass
 9:30 am Mass (Italian)
 11:00 am Mass
 12:30 pm Mass

(No 4:30 pm Mass)

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TIME & TALENT VOLUNTEERS: This is a busy time for the Church as we prepare for Advent and Christmas. Please do not be discouraged, you will be contacted after Christmas. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

THANK YOU TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL and all its members for organizing an incredible outreach luncheon and gift packages for those in need in our community. Also thank you to all the donors and volunteers who helped make it possible.

160th COMMEMORATIVE BOOKS are available for purchase in the Church foyer after all the Masses and in the Parish Office. Get your copy today! It makes a great Christmas gift for anyone that is a parishioner or has fond memories of St. Mary Immaculate Church.

2019 PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available for pick up in the Church hall. Envelopes are organized in alphabetical order by first letter of the surname. If your box is not there, or if you are new to the parish and wish to have weekly offertory envelopes, contact the parish office. Do not use previous year envelopes. Ensure to print clearly your name, address and amount on every envelope to ensure your donations are properly credited to you.

FORMED REGISTER NOW! Go to www.stmary.formed.org and use Parish code **DWMDQ7**.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be selling Christmas Cards, Panettone, 2019 Catholic Faith Calendars and Christ Is Christmas Buttons after all the Masses this weekend.

CWL GENERAL MEETING will be held **Tuesday, December 11, 2018** beginning with Holy Rosary at 7:00 pm. Members are encouraged to attend, and we welcome all Ladies interested in learning more about CWL Membership.

CWL RELIGIOUS STORE will be open in the Church foyer after all Masses the weekend of **December 15-16**.

CWL ANNUAL ADVENT RECOLLECTION:

All Parishioners, Friends and CWL Members are encouraged to attend and to welcome back Reverend Omar Alejandro Daza Hernandez, who will be our Spiritual Guide at our Annual Advent Recollection on **Saturday, December 15**, beginning with Holy Mass at 8:30 AM. "On the Road to Bethlehem" is the Theme of Fr. Omar, our Outstanding Speaker. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available in the Church foyer after the Masses and at the Parish Office.



THE GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM: Acts:

The Spread of the Kingdom, builds on *The Bible Timeline* and *Matthew* by showing how Christ's Kingdom on earth is empowered to carry out his work in the world. The book of Acts shows the Church, enlivened by the Holy Spirit, teaching, preaching, healing, and restoring outcasts in the same way that Jesus did on earth. The Acts of the Apostles provides an historic framework for understanding the rest of the New Testament. Paul's letters in particular come alive in a new way when they are read within the context of the Acts narrative. Bible study will begin **early February**. To register, contact the Parish office at 905-884-1784 or email office@smirh.com.

SHARELIFE has released its annual Report to Donors, sharing the results of the 2018 campaign and demonstrating how your generosity is making a difference. Copies of the report are available at all the entrances to the Church or can be read online at www.sharelife.org.

9 dicembre 2018 – 2a di Avvento

Ogni montagna e ogni colle sarà abbassato. Non sbaglierai se vedrai in queste montagne e colline abbattute le potenze nemiche che si levano contro gli uomini. E tutte le cose tortuose diverranno diritte. Ognuno di noi era tortuoso - se non lo è forse anche oggi - e, per la venuta di Cristo che si è compiuta anche nella nostra anima, tutto ciò che era tortuoso è diventato diritto. A che ti serve, infatti, che Cristo sia venuto un tempo nella carne, se non è venuto anche nella tua anima? Preghiamo dunque perché ogni giorno il suo avvento si compia in noi, onde possiamo dire: *Vivo, ma non più io, è Cristo che vive in me* (Gal 2,20). E niente un tempo era più aspro di te. Ma è venuto il mio Signore Gesù, ha spianato le tue asperità, ha mutato in strade diritte tutto il tuo disordine, perché in te sorgesse una strada senza inciampi, un cammino dolce e puro, lungo il quale in te Dio Padre potesse procedere, e Cristo Signore in te potesse fissare la sua dimora e dire: *Io e il Padre mio verremo e porremo in lui la nostra dimora* (Gv 14,23) (Origene, *Commento al vangelo di Luca*).

"Altro elemento fondamentale dell'Avvento è l'attesa, attesa che è nello stesso tempo speranza. L'Avvento ci spinge a capire il senso del tempo e della storia come "kairós", come occasione favorevole per la nostra salvezza. Gesù ha illustrato questa realtà misteriosa in molte parabole: nel racconto dei servi invitati ad attendere il ritorno del padrone; nella parabola delle vergini che aspettano lo sposo; o in quelle della semina e della mietitura. L'uomo, nella sua vita, è in costante attesa: quando è bambino vuole crescere, da adulto tende alla realizzazione e al successo, avanzando nell'età, aspira al meritato riposo. Ma arriva il tempo in cui egli scopre di aver sperato troppo poco se, al di là della professione o della posizione sociale, non gli rimane nient'altro da sperare. La speranza segna il cammino dell'umanità, ma per i cristiani essa è animata da una certezza: il Signore è presente nello scorrere della nostra vita, ci accompagna e un giorno asciugherà anche le nostre lacrime. Un giorno, non lontano, tutto troverà il suo compimento nel Regno di Dio, Regno di giustizia e di pace (Benedetto XVI)."

La Parola di Dio è la forza liberante. Il Cristo, Verbo del Padre, è il grande liberatore e condottiero. Giovanni lo precede per preparare la

partenza. Per questo la Parola di Dio avviene per lui. La fede è questa: quando la Parola di Dio diventa avvenimento in te e per te, quando riconosci il Signore riconoscendo te stesso in colui che, nella Parola, viene liberato e salvato. Quando la Parola di Dio parla a te di te e di Colui che ti ama e ti salva, questa è la fede. (don Giovanni Nicolini, Commento liturgia domenicale).

AVVISI

1. Adorazione del SS.mo Sacramento, ogni venerdì dall'1.00 alle 6.45 p.m.
2. Se desiderate che un ammalato o altre persone in bisogno di preghiere siano nella lista mensile, vi si prega di lasciare il relativo nome presso l'ufficio parrocchiale o tramite email office@smirh.com

INTENZIONI PER MESSE: La pratica di offrire Messe per i nostri cari in vita o per i nostri defunti e' parte della nostra vita e tradizione Cattolica. Se volete offrire delle Messe per amici e familiari vi preghiamo di venire all'ufficio parrocchiale durante le ore di apertura.

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 contact the parish office or email office@smirh.com. Names will be removed after the last Sunday of each month unless renewed with the office.

Tanya Di Persio, Jan Dolezel, Sara, Catarina Clyde, Rita McLennan, Maria Giancola, Rosa Maria Santos, Rita Manganaro

MASS INTENTIONS		December 10 - 16
Mon. Dec 10	8:00 am	+Catherine Di Tommaso
Tues. Dec 11	8:00 am	+Caterina Doria
Wed. Dec 12	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Millimaci
Thur. Dec 13	8:00 am	+Giuseppe Giusti Thanksgiving to St. Lucia
Fri. Dec 14	8:00 am	+Jillianne Gabriel
	7:00 pm	+Members of the Naughton Family +Members of the Paxton Family +Angelo DiVetta +Ange Pantonio & Petronilla Gargano +Jozsef Fancsali +Lucia Risi +Umberto Perciballi +Marcello Lingi +Emidio & Clorinda Digioseppantonio +Asuncion Ebo +Paul Tam
Sat. Dec 15	8:30 am	+Armando & Francesco De Lapa +Vito & Carmelo Millimaci
	5:00 pm	+James Cooper
Sun. Dec 16	8:00 am	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	9:30 am	+Giuseppe & Elena Iacobelli +Angelo & Thomaso Curtis +Maria Grazia & Luigi Poponio +Maria Coccimiglio +Francesco & Giulia Richichi +Francesco & Antonietta Coccimiglio +Dina Paoletti +Domenico Scorrinese
	11:00 am	+Maria, Rocco & Mike Nunno
	12:30 pm	+Manuel Soler
	4:30 pm	Thanksgiving for Janelle Velina

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS are 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, come by the Parish office during office hours.

**December 10 - 16: The Sanctuary Lamp Burns For:
+Vincenzo & Luisa Iafrate**

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