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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!**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We've had so many nudgings lately to hear God's call, to carefully discern where God is leading us, but always the question remains: how? The only answer I have to this is to lean in to what makes you truly happy. Chances are that God, who desires only our happiness, has put into our hearts the very desires for which we long.

For example, my friend Ann has the most unbelievable energy and passion for helping migrant families. It's bitter cold these days, and she is out there, getting coats and gloves and warm winter clothes to migrants coming in from warm climates. She's not alone, of course. I could name at least two dozen friends whose passion for this work takes up much of their time. They seem really happy to me.

In that first reading from Deuteronomy we hear that, in the desert, the Israelites begged God not to speak to them! They didn't want the dreaded voice of God! They asked that God speak to them through a prophet like their friend Moses. Isn't that so often the way we discern the direction of our lives? It's through the inspiration and modeling of the people we know, and like, and with whom we come in contact.

So many memoirs are filled with the authors' experiences of being shaped and changed by the great people in their lives. The opposite is also true. I know great teachers and leaders who answered the call to service because they saw it done so poorly by others, and knew they could do it better.

So, if today you hear God's voice, don't harden your heart. Chances are God's voice is very near to you.

*What people have served as the voice of God in your life?*

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**THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK**

<b>Wed. Jan 31</b>	Memorial	St. John Bosco, Priest
<b>Fri. Feb 2</b>	First Friday of the Month	We honour the Sacred Heart of Jesus
	Feast	The Presentation of the Lord
<b>Sat. Feb 3</b>	First Saturday of the Month	We honour the Immaculate Heart of Mary
	Memorial	St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr St. Ansgar, Bishop

**READINGS THIS WEEK**

28 Deuteronomy 18.15-20: 1 Corinthians 7.32-35: Mark 1.21-28  
 29 2 Samuel 15.13-14, 30; 16.5-13a: Mark 5.1-20  
 30 2 Samuel 18.9-10, 14b, 24-26a, 30 - 19.3+ : Mark 5.21-43  
 31 2 Samuel 24.2, 9-17: Mark 6.1-6  
 1 1 Kings 2.1-4, 10-12: Mark 6.7-13  
 2 Malachi 3.1-4 or Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18+ : Luke 2.22-40  
 3 1 Kings 3.4-13: Mark 6.30-34

**BUILDING FUND COLLECTION**

There will be a second collection next weekend, **February 3/4** for the parish maintenance and building fund. Thank you for your kindness and generous support in the preservation of the Church.

**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. **It is important that you mark your name and address on each envelope to ensure your donations are applied correctly in the system. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.**

**2023 TAX RECEIPTS**

2023 tax receipts are now available. Please contact the Parish office to arrange pick up or to have them mailed to you.

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - FEBRUARY 2**

**Friday, February 2**, we will be celebrating the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Blessing of candles will take place at the 8:00 am Mass and 7:00 pm First Friday Mass. We kindly ask that you bring your own candles.

**MEMORIAL OF SAINT BLAISE - FEBRUARY 3**

**Saturday, February 3**, blessing of the throats will take place at the 8:30 am Mass.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

Our Parish is offering marriage preparation course.

**Wednesday evenings from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**

**Spring session: February 7- March 13, 2024**

If you are planning to marry in the near future and would like to register, contact the Parish office.

**VALENTINE'S DINNER AND DANCE SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10**

The Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting the annual Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance. The event will be held at St. Mary Immaculate Church in the Parish hall on **Saturday, February 10**. Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend. Fabulous Food. Marvelous Music. A fun night for all. Hope to see you there.

**GENTLY USED WHEELCHAIR**

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**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO – FEBRUARY 11, 2024 AT 3:00 P.M.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

**JANUARY 28, 2024**

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage). For questions, please email [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org) or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

**FATHER HENRI NOUWEN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024**

Attention Father Henri Nouwen CES Parent(s) Student(s) and FHN Alumni (Former students, parents and staff). The 25th Anniversary Celebration of Father Henri JM Nouwen CES will occur on **Friday, May 10, 2024**. Many events are being planned to celebrate this major milestone in our school's history. Please follow us on the following social media platforms and share this with former graduates, staff and their families. Instagram – <https://www.instagram.com/ycdsbfhn/> Twitter – <https://twitter.com/ycdsbfhn> School Website – <https://fhn.ycdsb.ca/>

**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, Joe Moncata, Immacolata Morlando, Lester, Mira, Princes, Qhuenie

**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.

**MASS INTENTIONS JAN 29 – FEB 4**

<b>Mon. Jan 29</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Antonieta Miniaci
<b>Tues. Jan 30</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Carmela Suppa
<b>Wed. Jan 31</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Peter Chung
<b>Thurs. Feb 1</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Spec. Int. for Yoon Jai Shin
<b>Fri. Feb 2</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Stephen Lappin
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	+Rodolfo Fortuna
<b>Sat. Feb 3</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Thomas & +Anna Chacko +Antonio Nudo +Candelora & +Virgino Marsella +Hugh McCullough
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	For healing daughter from an addiction and return to God
<b>Sun. Feb 4</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Caterina D'Urzo
	<b>9:30 am</b>	+Maria & +Carmine Canale
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Elsie Lin +Ruth Maynes +Kenneth Stewart & The Lacuna Family +Joe Bringmann +Siobhan Mc Mahon +Benito Romeo Spec. Int. for the healing of Barry Marshall Spec. Int. for the Alexander Family Spec. Int. for the Macintosh Family Spec. Int. for the Dukhovny Family
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	+Antonina Caruso

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