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prepare the way...



ADVENT

Christmas Novena Mass

December 15 to 22 at 7 PM

St. Peter's Mission Church on the Ninth Line
The last day of the Novena, December 23, will be held at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary school followed by our Parish Christmas Fellowship. All other Parish Masses will follow as they are normally scheduled.

**The Schedule of Holy Mass for Christmas****at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School**

December 24 (Christmas Eve) 5PM, 7 PM, and 10:30 PM

December 25 (Christmas Day) 9 AM, 11 AM, and 12:30 PM

December 28 at 7 PM

December 29 at 7:30 AM

December 30 at 7 PM

At St. Peter's Mission Church

December 24 at 9 PM

December 26 at 9 AM

December 27 at 7:30 AM

December 31 at 9 AM

The Schedule of Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**(New Year's)**

December 31 at 5 PM (St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School)

December 31 at 7 PM (St. Peter's Mission Church)

January 1 at 9 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School)



If you wish to donate to our Building Fund, you can do it online using your credit card via the Archdiocese Donate Now.

Visit our Parish Website. Thank you for your continued financial support.

Mass Intention**Saturday (December 17)**

5:00PM +Manuel Fonte, +Alfredo & Antonio Fonseca

7:00 PM +Belen King

Sunday (December 18)

7:30 AM for the Parish Community

9:00 AM John Da Silva, +Paul Nguyen

11:00 AM +Joao Viera Colaco

12:30 PM +Alex Rosario

7:00 PM 26th Anniversary of Fr. Mark

Monday (December 19)

7:00 PM +Alex Rosari

Tuesday (December 20)

7:30 AM For the departed members of the Guinci Family

7:00 PM +Edgardo Nillos

Wednesday (December 21)

7:00 PM Open

Thursday, (December 22)

7:30 AM +Marjo Gasser

7:00 PM Open

Friday (December 23)

7:00 PM Open

Saturday (December 24)

9:00 AM For our Parish Benefactors and their families

Christmas Eve

5:00 PM For our Parish Community

7:00 PM For our Parish Community

9:00 PM For our Parish Community

10:30 PM For our Parish Community

Christmas Day

9 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM are intended for the Parish Community

If you want to offer Holy Mass for yourself or your Loved One, you can use the form on our parish website or contact Cecilia at the desk or at the parish office. Our Parish also accepts Mission Masses (also commonly known as unannounced masses). These Masses are offered by priests anywhere in the world. Please inquire at the desk.

Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide

Did you know?

The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. Despite wording intended to protect doctors and facilities, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to arrange for the killing of their patients. No other country does. Provinces across Canada do not do this. Yet, Ontario refuses to protect doctors who object to ending the life of their patients. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and write directly to your elected Member of Provincial Parliament.

**Please Update your Information
at the Parish Office**

If you have recently changed your address or status, please advise the parish office about the changes. The Parish Office will be sending your Tax Receipts shortly after the end of the Fiscal Year. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thinking of Sponsoring a Pew to remember a loved one?

*We have now 12.5 pews!
44.5 pews more to go!*

We are now accepting donations to purchase the pews for our church. Pews have to be ordered one year in advance. A one whole pew is worth \$3800. We need about fifty-six of these pews to sit about 750 people. A pew can be divided into several sections. Each section (approximately 4 and half persons) is estimated at \$950. Some families may want to sponsor the whole pew, while others may just want to sponsor one or several sections. If you are interested in sponsoring a pew or a section of a pew, a form is available at the desk or you can visit our parish website and fill the form online. You can give in full or by instalment (by cheque or credit card). Thank you for the first 20 families that have already send in their pledges for the purchase of the pews.

**Retrouvaille Toronto: A Catholic Lifeline to Help Troubled
Marriages**

Friday, January 27 to Sunday, January 29

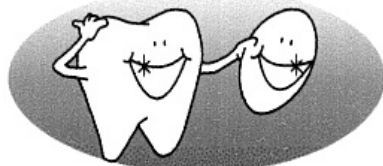
Retrouvaille is a program to help married couples through troubled times in their marriages. They may be experiencing difficulty or deep misery in their marriages. Retrouvaille is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover one another and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. Contact us for confidential information. Visit www.torontoretrouvaille.com PHONE: 416-281-6007

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Building fund	\$ 1,139.25
St. Peter's Church	\$ 560.00
Liturgical Fund	\$ 70.00
Stipend	\$ 175.00
Pews	\$ 7,500.00
Confirmation	\$ 35.00
Missals	\$ 22.00
Family of Faith	\$ 884.00
Baptism	\$ 293.00
Total Offerings	\$13,269.00

**Archdiocese of Toronto Celebrates
175th Anniversary**

December 17 marks the 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Toronto, kicking off a year-long celebration of this historic milestone. Originally part of the Diocese of Kingston, on December 17, 1841, Pope Gregory XVI formally created the Diocese of Toronto and named Michael Power its first bishop. The Archdiocese of Toronto is planning numerous historical and spiritual activities to commemorate the 175th anniversary, including a large-scale celebration at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on May 30, 2017. In acknowledging this significant anniversary, Cardinal Thomas Collins remarked:

"It is a tremendous blessing to commemorate the 175th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Toronto. It is always a joy to express my gratitude to those, past and present, who have made incredible contributions to our city, province and country, inspired by their faith. Over the next year, we will honour the past, energize our present faith community and look forward to an exciting future."



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