



Immaculate Conception R.C. Church

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Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

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Office Hours: 9am to 4:30pm Tuesday to Friday

Pastoral Team

Rev. Fr. Paul T. Hancko, Pastor

Rev. Deacon Stephen Palmer

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday:	4:00pm	Keswick
	5:30pm	Sutton
Sunday:	7:30am*	Keswick
(*from May long weekend to October long weekend)		
	8:30am	Sutton
	10:30am	Keswick

Weekday Masses:

Please consult Sunday's bulletin

Confessions (Reconciliation): Before Masses whenever possible - or by appointment.

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Keswick: Mass - 8:30am, Holy Hour until 10:30am

Sutton: Holy Hour - 5:30pm, Mass at 7:00pm

New Parishioners Registration: For registration, please use the pink visitor envelopes.
Income Tax Receipts issued for minimum donation of \$25.

Papal Blessings: For special celebrations, please go to www.vatican.ca for directions.

Bequests: In your kindness, please remember Immaculate Conception & Our Lady of the Lake R.C. Church

Parish Organizations

K of C:	Steven Fry	905-960-3901
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IC Women:	Rose Sheppard	905-722-3623
R.C.I.A.:	Tony Snider	905-476-4765
SVDP:		905-476-0097

Special Groups

Edge, Heralds of the Gospel,
Third Order Secular Franciscans, Legion of Mary

Parish Schools

St. Bernadette (Sutton):	905-722-6226
St. Thomas Aquinas (Keswick):	905-476-7784
Prince of Peace (Keswick):	905-476-1551
Our Lady of the Lake College (Keswick):	905-656-9140

Marriages: Marriages are celebrated in the Church where the bride or groom is registered at. When a man and a woman plan to marry each other, they should contact a priest one year in advance and always before the wedding date is set, and before arranging for the reception hall. The engaged are required to attend a Marriage Preparation Course.

Please note: However, if this man or woman has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted. Questions are often being asked about marriages performed outside the Catholic Church by non-Catholic ministers. These are not valid marriages according to the teaching of the Catholic Church, but many can be rectified by simply consulting with your Parish priest to discuss the available options. Sometimes people make decisions without proper information, so if you wish, please contact your Pastor for details or call the Marriage Tribunal at 416-934-3400 ext 300.

Marriage Preparation Courses

Queen of Apostles Centre 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048, The Paulist Centre 416-534-2326, St. Francis Retreat Centre 519-941-1747, Our Lady of Grace Church 705-424-1551

Marriage Counselling

Retrouville 416-281-6007, Marriage Encounter 905-278-5229, Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048

Baptisms

Baptisms celebrated in Sutton and Keswick: The forms are available online or at the parish office. Forms must be complete and include copies of baptismal certificates for parents and godparents. Parents are required to attend 2 Catechism meetings. First with Father and second with the Deacon. Meetings are set only after completed registration forms with certificates are provided to the parish.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUTTON		
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS		
Mon. Dec 14	8:30am:	+Julius & Elizabeth Hancko
Tues. Dec 15	8:30am:	+Angelo DePalma req. Anna Masciarelli
Wed. Dec 16	8:30am:	+Daniel Haze req. K Bingham
Sat. Dec 19	5:30pm:	Blessings & Health upon the Fanelli Family req. Fanelli Family
Sun. Dec 20	8:30am:	+Angela Kalichak req. the Estate

KESWICK		
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS		
Thurs. Dec 17	8:30am	+Michael J. Clancy req. Una Findlay
Fri. Dec 18	8:30am:	Special intentions of Luciano Conte
Sat. Dec 19	4:00pm:	+Concetta Simone req. Kathy Perruzza
Sun. Dec 20	10:30am:	+Luis & Anna Calderon and Luis Calderon Jr. req. Atkins, Moniz & Miller families

COLLECTION – Thank you for your generosity
 Weekly Offertory: **Dec 6:** \$2,705.00

PARISH DEBT as of November 1ST: \$361,500.00

Upcoming Bills: Building Insurance: \$5,200.00
 Interest payment on debt due Jan. 2021: \$2,500.00

1st HOLY COMMUNION PRE-REGISTRATION - 2021

Visit website for very important details and Pre-Registration Form. <https://ollakeke.archtoronto.org> or <https://immaculateconceptionsu.archtoronto.org>
 We have received 12 pre-registrations for children to receive their 1st Holy Communion next year. **Deadline for Pre-Registration December 18, 2020.**

CONFIRMATION PRE-REGISTRATION 2021

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St. Paul summarizes perfectly the beauty and mercy of Christmas in the following passage from St. Paul's letter to Timothy.

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost. But for that reason I was mercifully treated, so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all his patience as an example for those who would come to believe in him for everlasting life. To the king of ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. (1 Timothy 1:15-17)

<p>It is cold and flu season. If you have a cough or fever, please stay home. Thank you</p>
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CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve: 3:30pm Keswick
 (December 24) 5:00pm Keswick
 9:00pm Sutton

Christmas Day: 8:30am Sutton
 (December 25) 10:30am Keswick
 12:00pm Keswick

New Year's Eve ..4:30pm - Holy Hour - Sutton
 (December 31) 5:00pm Sutton

New Year's Day 8:30am Sutton
 (January 1) 10:30am Keswick

<p>Parish office is closed from December 24th to January 5th.</p>

PRAYER OF ST. NICHOLAS

Heavenly Father, as Christmas draws near we commemorate the feast-day of your beloved Bishop and Saint, Nicholas.

We love and honour his memory because of his tender concern for children and for the poor.

We thank you for the merriment that his feast has brought down all the centuries.

We ask you from the bottom of our hearts to help us to remember, on his feast-day, that we should try to retain the innocence of childhood and a sincere faith in you all our lives.

Show us, too, how to share the good things that we have with others, and to imitate St Nicholas in generosity and goodwill.

We ask him to pray for us from his place in Heaven.

FROM A SERMON BY SAINT LEO THE GREAT,

POPE

Christian, remember your dignity

Dearly beloved, today our Saviour is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness.

No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing. Our Lord, victor over sin and death, finding no man free from sin, came to free us all. Let the saint rejoice as he sees the palm of victory at hand. Let the sinner be glad as he receives the offer of forgiveness. Let the pagan take courage as he is summoned to life.

In the fullness of time, chosen in the unfathomable depths of God's wisdom, the Son of God took for himself our common humanity in order to reconcile it with its creator. He came to overthrow the devil, the origin of death, in that very nature by which he had overthrown mankind.

And so at the birth of our Lord the angels sing in joy; *Glory to God in the highest*, and they proclaim *peace to his people on earth* as they see the heavenly Jerusalem being built from all the nations of the world. When the angels on high are so exultant at this marvelous work of God's goodness, what joy should it not bring to the lowly hearts of men?

Beloved, let us give thanks to God the Father, through his Son, in the Holy Spirit, because in his great love for us he took pity on us, *and when we were dead in our sins he brought us to life with Christ*, so that in him we might be a new creation. Let us throw off our old nature and all its ways and, as we have come to birth in Christ, let us renounce the works of the flesh.

Christian, remember your dignity, and now that you share in God's own nature, do not return by sin to your former base condition. Bear in mind who is your head and of whose body you are a member. Do not forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom.

Through the sacrament of baptism you have become a temple of the Holy Spirit. Do not drive away so great a guest by evil conduct and become again a slave to the devil, for your liberty was bought by the blood of Christ.

Don't allow the sad sight of human injustice to sadden your soul; someday you will see the unflinching justice of God triumph over it! **St. Padre Pio**

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE- December 12

The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to St. Juan Diego in the 16th century in Mexico City, Mexico when he saw an apparition of the Blessed Virgin on the Hill of Tepeyac on Dec. 9, 1531, the feast day of the Immaculate Conception in that time. Our Lady requested that a church be built on that site, which Juan Diego dutifully relayed to the bishop.

The bishop wanted proof of her identity. Our Lady asked Juan Diego to gather roses that were growing on the hill (which were neither native to the area nor in season) and take them to the bishop. Juan Diego obeyed and placed the roses in his tilma (cloak) to carry back to the bishop as evidence of Our Lady's appearance. Upon opening the tilma to reveal the miraculous roses, there was something even more miraculous present in the tilma—a striking image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Our Lady of Guadalupe image revealed for the first time on St. Juan Diego's tilma.

Facts about Our Lady of Guadalupe image itself:

- The image is proven to not be painted by human hands
- The image and fabric have miraculously lasted in its original condition for nearly 500 years
- The weak cactus fiber, of which the tilma was made, should have decomposed within 15-20 years of being woven
- No natural or animal mineral colorings, or paint, are found on the image
- The image itself is iridescent, which cannot be produced by hand
- Mary stands on a crescent moon, the same crescent moon in the sky on the day of her apparition
- Mary's mantle is a constellation map, the same constellations in the sky as on the day of her apparition
- These constellations tell the story of the Gospel with the arrangements of Leo in the womb of Virgo
- On her rose garment is a topographic map of the geographic location of her apparition
- On Mary's neck is a small black cross, identifying her with the Catholic missionary priests
- Over her womb on her dress is a four-petal flower, the Aztec symbol of life and deity
- In the image Mary is "clothed with the sun" with "the moon at her feet" as described in Revelation 12:1
- A doctor once heard a heartbeat coming from the image through a stethoscope over the womb
- The eyes of the image have the refractory characteristics of human eyes
- The eyes, when examined through a microscope, reflect the images of the witnesses present at its unveiling, including Juan Diego and the bishop.

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