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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

This Week at Blessed Trinity

Monday, December 25 - Nativity of the Lord

8:30 am Mass
10:30 am Mass
12:15 pm Mass
(No 7 pm)

Tuesday, December 26

(*St. Stephen, First Martyr*)

9:00 am Mass + Jamal Ramani

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
Following 9:00 am Mass	Coffee Morning	Parish Hall

Wednesday, December 27

(*St. John, Apostle, Evangelist*)

8:00 am Mass + Msgr. John Chi

Thursday, December 28

(*The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*)

8:00 am Mass + Frances & Arthur Thibideau

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
7:30 am	FNE Meeting	Parish Hall

Friday, December 29

8:00 am + Nelson Ayong-Chee

Saturday, December 30

9:00 am Mass + Gladstone Anthony Tenn

4:30 pm Mass S.I. Marie Calderone

Sunday, December 31 - Holy Family of Jesus

8:30 am Mass S.I. Dorothy Murphy
10:30 am Mass + Anthony Gladstone
12:15 pm Mass + Mario Bevilacqua

Baptism Sunday – 12:15 pm Mass

(No 7 pm Mass)

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Vigil

4:30 pm Mass

6:00 pm Mass

New Year's Family Dinner/Dance – Parish Hall

BOXING DAY GET TOGETHER

Instead of racing out to your favourite mall for the latest "Door Crasher Specials, come join us in a more peaceful environment; Mass and a social that will take away the chills and the stress of a busy season. On Tuesday December 26, Boxing Day, we will be hosting a Coffee Morning in the parish hall after the 9:00 Mass. All parishioners are invited. Generally during this time of year we all have an abundance of delectable treats. If you happen to have some of these delicious morsels left over, please feel free to bring in a small plate to share with others that morning. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you for a relaxing morning gathering.



Christmas Schedule

Saturday December 23, 2017
Vigil Mass 4:30 pm
Sunday Mass December 24, 2017
Simbang Gabi 6:00 am
8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm
(no 7 pm Mass)

Nativity of the Lord – December 24, 2017

Christmas Eve 4 pm (Youth & Jr. Choir)
8 pm (Michael, Clea, Rachel, Stephen)
12 midnight (Sr. Choir)

Nativity of the Lord – Monday, December 25, 2017

Christmas Day 8:30 am (Michael & Laurence)
10:30 am (Sr. Choir)
12:15 pm (Clea)
(no 7 pm Mass)

St. Stephen, First Martyr – Tuesday, December 26

Mass of the day: 9:00 am

New Years Schedule

Feast of the Holy Family – December 31, 2017

Saturday December 30, 2017
Vigil Mass 4:30 pm
Sunday Mass December 31, 2017
8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm
(no 7 pm Mass)

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Vigil December 31, 2017

New Year's Eve 4:30 pm (Michael, Rachel, Clea)
6:00 pm (Youth Choir & Michael)

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Monday, January 1, 2018

New Year's Day 9:00 am (Michael & Laurence)
11:00 am (Sr. Choir)

Please Note:

- Confessions - On Saturday morning December 23 and 30 (no Confessions at 3:45 pm).
- Donations to be included in the 2017 tax year must be received at the parish by 6:00 p.m., December 31, and clearly marked 2017.
- The parish office will be closed December 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 (also evening of December 24 & 31), January 1, 2018.

2018 Sunday Missals - If you would like your own 2018 Sunday Missal, they are available in the parish office.

Parish Bulletin - There will be **no bulletin next weekend**. The bulletin will resume the weekend of January 6/7, 2018.



Catholic Women's League
50th Anniversary Dinner/Dance

- Saturday, January 27, 2018
- Cocktails – 6:30 pm
- Dinner – 7:00 pm
- \$50 per person (ticket information to follow)
- Keynote Speaker – Bishop Robert Kasun

Blessed Trinity Family
New Year's Party



- December 31st following 6 pm Mass.
- Dinner, DJ and dancing, noisemakers, hats, photo-wall and cash-bar.
- Children's count down at 10 pm and New Year's count down at midnight.
- Tickets \$30 or family of four \$100.00.
- Available for sale following Sunday Masses on December 2/3, December 9/10 and December 16/17.
- Also, for tickets, Jan Nowakowski at 905-763-7670.

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- Go to www.FORMED.org.
- You should see the registration box for parishioners. Now type in the parish Access code: **V7MWDJ**
- Now set up a username and a password.

Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference

On **February 24**, you are invited to join Hector Molina and Bishop of St. Catharines. Gerard Bergie, along with hundreds of men, for Serviam Ministries 3rd annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "**Manly Virtue**". It is a one day intensive men's retreat, consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Special father son rates. For more information and tickets <https://www.serviamministries.com/events/virtue>; info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.



Family New Year's Party	Sunday, December 31
Confirmation Registration and Parent Info Meeting	Tuesday, January 9, 2018
Classes begin -	Wednesday, January 31, 2018 (revised date)



On behalf of Fr. Collins, Fr. Charles, our seminarian, Michael Corpus and the entire parish staff, I wish you a Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year

Fr. Ed
Joy and peace

Friars' Student Writing Award – It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2018. The Theme for this coming year is "**Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power**" (cf. Exodus 15:6). Students should read the Scripture passage Exodus 15:1-21 and respond to the following question in the essay: **Just as the Israelites sought deliverance from enslavement in contemporary society the dignity of all people is threatened by new enslavements to poverty, violence, injustice and addictions. In what ways can Christians of all denominations work together to stave off these assaults to human dignity? Explain.** Deadline for entries is January 8, 2018. Email your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or FAX it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). For further information call 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext. 403. Also, see the flyer on the bulletin board for prizes.

Major Relic of Saint Francis Xavier

A first-degree relic of missionary Saint Francis Xavier is coming to the Archdiocese of Toronto, January 12-14, 2018. The forearm of the saint, permanently displayed at the Church of the Gesù in Rome, will be in Canada from December 29 – February 2 as part of a 14 city Canadian visit. In our archdiocese the relic will be hosted by St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (Jan. 12), St. Francis Xavier Church, Mississauga (January 13) and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Toronto (January 14). More information about the visit and a full schedule of events can be found at: www.cco.ca/relic. Organizers believe this is the first time the relic has been on Canadian soil. The body of St. Francis Xavier, which is buried in Goa, India, as well as the relic of his arm, are incorrupt – they have not experienced natural decay since his death in 1552. Organizers expect close to 100,000 people will visit the various events across the country – the same number of people it is believed Francis baptized with his right arm and hand.

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