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MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, December 28 9:00 am

HOLY INNOCENTS, Martyrs
Special Intention

Tuesday, December 29 9:00 am

Dominic & Isabel Portoraro
(Special Intention)
57th Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, December 30 9:00 am

Ilario Dametto (Deceased)
Requested by the family

Thursday, December 31 9:00 am

Rosario Yee Loy (Deceased)
Requested by the Yee Loy family

Friday, January 1
SOLEMNITY OF MARY
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Saturday, January 2 9:00 am

ST. BASIL THE GREAT and
ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN
Bishops, doctors

Andrew & Mary Felicia Silva (Deceased)
Requested by the family



Catholic Women's League

Annual Dinner Dance
Saturday, January 30, 2010

"Buccaneers Ball" – buy your ticket (\$45) by December 31st and be eligible for the 'Early Bird Draw'.



Knights of Columbus

Executive Meeting: Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7:30 pm

General Meeting: Monday, January 18, 2010 at 7:30 pm

Vocations By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person.

If God is calling you, contact:
Fr. Hansoo Park at 416-968-0997
Email vocations@vocations.ca
Website www.vocationstoronto.ca

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Vigil Mater Dei

Thursday, December 31st (New Years Eve)
Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Friday, January 1st (New Year's Day)
Masses: 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:15 pm
(no 7:00 pm Mass)

Holy Day of Obligation We are obligated to attend Mass on all Sundays of the year. We are also obligated in Canada to two Holy days of Obligation, Christmas and New Years Day.

Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday, December 27, 2009

"Heavenly Father, You have given us a model of life in the holy Family of Nazareth. Help us, O loving Father to make our family another Nazareth, where love, joy and peace reign. May it be deeply contemplative, intensely Eucharistic and vibrant with joy. Help us to stay together in joy and sorrow through family prayer. Teach us to see Jesus in the members of our family, especially in their distressing disguise. May the Eucharistic heart, Jesus, make our hearts meek and humble like His. And help us to carry out our family duties in a holy way. May we love one another as God loves each one of us. And forgive each other's faults as you forgive our sins. Help us, O loving Father, to take whatever you give and to give whatever you take with a big smile. Immaculate heart of Mary, pray for us. St. Joseph, pray for us. Holy Guardian Angels, be always with us to guide and protect us." Amen

Mother Teresa MC

PRAYER TO END ABORTION

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that You have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself never to be silent, never to be passive, and never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the Pro-Life movement and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and Canada once again becomes a country which respects life from conception to natural death, not just for some, but for all, through Christ our Lord. Amen!

WORLD DAY OF PEACE
Friday, January 1, 2010

"The first stage of peace may be termed active. It is reached by moderating the soul's movements and actions. One of the defects to which we are subject is that of a too great activity which absorbs us and to that extent shuts out the Holy Spirit. This excessive activity must be restrained. Harmony, order tranquility, peace must be introduced into it. Fundamentally this process is one of self-denial: *it is the mortification of our personal activity in the interest of the activity of grace.* But because of the absence of pain, or of sense-perceptible pain from it, it is given a special name and called peace. Peace must also be introduced into our desires: the desires God sends us are not tumultuous; whatever tumult there is in our desires is from ourselves not from God. Peace must be introduced too into our zeal. Jesus' zeal was not restless and excited. The imagination in its turn, must be kept in check, the mind must not be allowed to think and devise and plan without measure. Peace is required in the exterior bearing also because of the influence it exercises on the soul. Our manner of speaking and acting must be moderated; not of course in a merely human way, as if we wished to gain the reputation of dignified self-control, but in such a way as to favour our union with God and to express the peace of Jesus who dwells within us. Finally our quest for peace must itself be peaceful. We cannot arrest every movement of body and soul from the first instant. But we can try; we need not allow them to carry us away. We endeavour to be calm when we feel that our calm is vanishing. Like every form of self discipline, peace calls for patient effort. It is not the quality of those who have never known conflicts as much as of those who have struggled through them patiently and with trust."

Ven Francis Libermann



SOLEMNITY OF MARY
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2010



"Beguiled by the spirit of the times, the proud may sneer at the Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary and cast it aside: but countless holy men of every age and state have treasured it and recited it with the deepest devotion. At all times they have used it as the mightiest weapon in the combat against the Evil Spirit, as the most secure means for the preservation of innocence, as efficient help in the attainment of perfection, and as the true source of peace for mankind. There have always been men in every age, men renowned for learning and wisdom, who have never permitted their interest in study and research to keep them from kneeling daily before the image of the Mother of God and turning to her in pious prayer. Kings and princes, despite distracting cares and tasks, have looked upon the practice as an honorable duty. The beads, like so many roses, slip through the fingers of the poor and simple, but they are also revered by all classes of men."

..... Pope Pius XI, 1937

Chinese RCIA with ESL at Blessed Trinity

Please let your Chinese friends know that starting in January 2010, Blessed Trinity Parish will be offering an RCIA program with catechetical instruction in Mandarin and Cantonese, plus English as a Second Language group discussion and Bible Study. Classes will meet Sunday afternoons. This program is suitable for Cantonese and Mandarin speakers who wish to learn about our Catholic faith, and Catholics who wish to deepen their understanding of their faith and improve their English at the same time.

For information, please contact Marie Kwok at 416-494-2987, btchinesercia@gmail.com, or call the parish office at 416-226-0262.

Mass for the Unborn

"FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS"

Monday, December 28, 2009 at 12:10 pm

St. Michael's Cathedral

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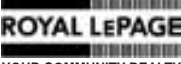
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