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## Peace on Earth

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



### MASSES OF THE WEEK

**Monday, December 31** 9:00 am  
Special Intention

**Wednesday, January 2** 9:00 am  
**ST. BASIL THE GREAT AND  
ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN,  
Bishops and Doctors**  
Vera Orak (Deceased)  
*Requested by Marina Orlich &  
Djurdjica Kosta*

**Thursday, January 3** 9:00 am  
Tobi Kwang (Deceased)  
*Requested by Helen Woo*

**Friday, January 4** 9:00 am  
Yvonne Houston (Deceased)  
*Requested by Al Houston*

**EXPOSITION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT** 8:00 AM - NOON

**Saturday, January 5** 9:00 am  
Lucy & Frank Curran (Deceased)  
*Requested by Leo Cunningham*

### Attention all Confirmation Candidates

Msgr. Sheehy, Fr. Eric Mah and Maria Agovino will be conducting **five Saturday mornings** for the Confirmation candidates from **all** schools on the following dates:

Place: Blessed Trinity Parish Hall  
Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am  
Dates: January 19<sup>th</sup>, January 26<sup>th</sup>, February 23<sup>rd</sup>,  
March 2<sup>nd</sup>, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013

These mornings are an extremely important part of preparation for the Sacrament.



### Catholic Women's League

**Annual Dinner Dance  
Saturday, January 26, 2013**

Tickets are now available. Purchase tickets by the end of December and be eligible for a free bottle of wine with your dinner. Mark it on your calendar. Please contact Velma Letterio at 416-226-0590.

**Vocations – Feast of the Holy Family, December 30, 2012.** 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.



## SOLEMNITY OF MARY HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

### Mass Schedule

Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – Mass of the Day: 9:00 am

**Holy Mother of God Vigil – Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
(New Years Eve) Mass: 4:30 pm

**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God  
(New Years Day) Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Masses: 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:15 pm  
(No 7:00 pm Mass)

**Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mass: 9:00 am**

**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.

### Sunday Evening 6:30 pm Confession

Please note that the priests are not available for Confessions at 6:30 pm on the following Sundays:

Sunday December 30, 2012  
Sunday January 6, 2013  
Sunday January 13, 2013



### Knights of Columbus

#### **Executive Meeting:**

Monday, January 14, 7:30 pm, Trinity Room

#### **General Meeting:**

Monday, January 21, 7:30 pm, Trinity Room

### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish School Free Throw Contest

#### Results

Sixty three children from Blessed Trinity and St. Anthony (Thornhill) Schools participated this past December. The winners have been invited to the Council Championship in January. Congratulations to all participants and the following school champions who received handsome trophies compliments of the Council:

**Blessed Trinity School** – Matthew London, Prisilla Ofori, Shanughessy Bennett, Shamoir Ireland Vassell, Casia, Carlo Cunanan

**Saint Anthony School** – Kiara Dametto, Throy Saranillo, Natalie Woo, Jon Anthony Simile, Angel Butuc, Brandon Smith

Thanks to the principals – Beverley Coles and Beverley Lawrence for their cooperation and interest.



### “Theresians Thank All”

The Theresians would like to thank everyone who so generously donated toiletries and cosmetics as well as cash to purchase additional items needed for the women of St. Clare's Residence. In turn the ladies at St. Clare's have expressed their heartfelt gratitude for our generosity and hospitality during the Theresians Annual Christmas Pot Luck Lunch, where they were all invited. Your continuing support and concern for the less privileged members of our parish community and the neighbourhood is greatly appreciated.

### New Beginnings

(lost a loved one through death, separation or divorce)  
Come and join in on an informative evening. Facilitators will be Henny DeLange MSW., RSW. and Greg Badcock MSW., RSW. The Topic: ***Demystifying Anger*** - **January 8, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 pm** - Archdiocese of Toronto Pastoral Centre, 1155 Yonge St, 4th Floor, Toronto, (north-east corner of Yonge and Shaftsbury, beside the Summer Hill subway station) - free underground parking off Shaftsbury. Pre registration is not required. Enquiries Deacon James Shaughnessy at 416-921-1163 ext 2227 or email [jshaughn@cfstoronto.com](mailto:jshaughn@cfstoronto.com).

### **A Gift of Music: 75 Years of Song January 21, 2013 – 7:30 pm**

#### **Roy Thomson Hall (60 Simcoe St. Toronto)**

For 75 years, St. Michael's Choir School has been putting the joys, aspirations, dreams and solemnities of this city to song. To honour, support and celebrate this tradition, the Alumni present a benefit concert "A Gift of Music: 75 Years of Song". Monies raised will be used to fund the school's jubilee tour to Italy and the Vatican, as well as support bursaries and scholarships for students in financial need. For more information and to purchase tickets, please contact [www.agiftofmusic.ca](http://www.agiftofmusic.ca) and the Roy Thomson Hall Box Office 416-872-4255.

### **St. Clare Church (1118 St. Clair Ave.W., Toronto) Celebrating 100 Years of Faith**

Were you, a friend or a relative, ever a parishioner of St. Clare's? Please contact them if you have any memorabilia, photos or anecdotes of experiences at the parish and email them to [stclarecentenary@gmail.com](mailto:stclarecentenary@gmail.com) or call 416-654-7087. For more information on upcoming events, visit [www.stclareparish.ca](http://www.stclareparish.ca).

August 11, 2012 – 2013: Year of Preparation  
August 11, 2013 – 2014: Year of Celebration



### **DEALING WITH DISTRACTIONS IN PRAYER**

“If we could only realize how much this continual turning back to God (when we are distracted in prayer) shows Him our real love for Him, and pleases Him more than that rapt attention that has its roots in self-love, we should never be dissatisfied with our prayer on account of its numerous distractions. If prayer be a lifting up of the mind to God, then every time we turn away from distractions to renew our attention to God, we pray – and we pray in the teeth of difficulty and despite ourselves. What can be more pleasing to God? – what can be more meritorious? We should be very greatly surprised if we could get a glimpse at the account book that the recording angel keeps and see the different values He sets on our various attempts at prayer. The prayer that pleased us, and with which we were well satisfied, would often be quite low in His estimate, while the prayer that disgusted us, which was apparently made up of nothing but distractions, might be found to have won a very high degree of His approval.”

*M. Eugene Boylan  
'Difficulties in Mental Prayer'*

### **St. Agnes Catholic School Registration**

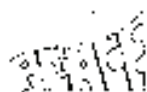
Registration for St. Agnes Catholic School begins **January 8, 2013** for JK or SK students. Please have Baptismal Certificate, Birth Certificate, Immunization records, and proof of residence information. Please call 416-393-5345 for further information and an appointment.

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intentions January, 2013**

**General Intention:** That in this Year of Faith Christians may deepen their knowledge of the mystery of Christ and witness joyfully to the gift of faith in him.

**Missionary Intention:** That the Christian communities of the Middle East, often discriminated against, may receive from the Holy Spirit the strength of fidelity and perseverance.

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