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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon,
7:00 PM

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 11:30 am
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Wednesday mornings closed.

Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
6:30 to 8:30 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call Fr. Dan Callahan,
ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details
Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Sunday School

10:00 AM Mass

Weekly Sacramental Preparation
Development & Peace

www.dev.p.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Meditation Group

Mondays, 7:15 PM

Merry Makers

3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers

Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers

Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:

Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:00 PM

12:00 Noon Choir

Chris McConnell

Rehearsal: Tuesdays 7:00 PM

Ushers:

George Ramirez

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please call Ms. Sheila Malloch,
ext. 222, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 17

Genesis 49:2, 8-10 Psalm 72

Matthew 1:1-17

5:30 pm Ronald Fernandez+

Tuesday, December 18

Jeremiah 23:5-8 Psalm 72

Matthew 1:18-24

5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Wednesday, December 19

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25 Psalm 71

Luke 1:5-25

5:30 pm John Bellis +

Thursday, December 20

Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10 Psalm 24

Luke 1:26-38

5:30 pm Louis Resendes +

Friday, December 21

Zephaniah 3:14-18 Psalm 33

Luke 1:39-45

5:30 pm Rita Norton +

Saturday, December 22

1 Samuel 1:24-28 1 Samuel 2

Luke 1:46-56

5:30 pm Stanislaw Lewandowski+

Sunday, December 23

Micah 5:2-5 Psalm 80

Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45

8:30 am Int. of the Friars

10:00 am Rose Fernandl +

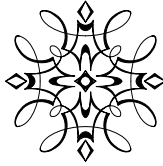
12:00 noon Philomena Mata +

7:00 pm The Parish Community

Monthly Comparison for: November

Offertory	2011	2012
Envelopes	\$17,725	\$18,193
Loose	\$4,835	\$5190
PAG*	\$7,840	\$7,797
Total	\$30,410	\$31,179

* Pre-Authorized Giving Contributions for the Building Maintenance Fund were \$2,343.



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Peace and Goodness to all!

The third Sunday in Advent is called Gaudete Sunday, "let us rejoice". It begins by lighting the rose colored candle remembering the color of vestments that were traditionally worn to mark the proximity of Christmas. As you can see our trees are up and ready to be lighted in our continuing preparations. We give thanks to the members of the RCIA, the Bible Study class and others who came on Wednesday evening to decorate the Church, many hands make light work.

The Ecumenical Lessons and Carols event we celebrated last Friday evening was a beautiful event that was well attended by members of our parish and the other Christian churches whose musicians and choirs gathered with our own to proclaim the Word of God and sing some traditional hymns of this blessed season. Participating were: Morningside High Park Presbyterian, Runnymede Presbyterian, Runnymede United, St Martin of the Fields Anglican, St. John's West Anglican and our own two Choirs. Present among our guests were Rev. Phillip Savage, and Rev. Phillip Hobson from St. Martin of the Fields, Rev. Samantha Caravan, from St. John's West, and Rev Damian MacPherson, SA from the Archdiocesan office of Interfaith and Ecumenical Affairs. We are delighted with the growing participation in this annual celebration which gathers Christians from different traditions to worship united in one faith in the Lord whose coming at Christmas is the source of shared joy. A freewill offering was taken to benefit the Winter Welcome Table ministry. Rose DiTommaso organized a group to provide lovely refreshments in the hall following the worship service. Thank you to all who made this evening so lovely and special.

Tuesday morning the students and faculty of Marocco Merton High School came in to celebrate a Christmas Mass before they depart for the holidays. It is always a joy to see these young people gathered to celebrate the Word made flesh in Eucharist. May the Lord enrich the Christian life of these who are the hope of the future.

Tuesday evening a combined meeting of the Finance and Ministries committees was held to continue our strategies to meet the suggestions proposed in the parish survey. May God continue to bless the work of our hands so we may serve the community most effectively.

Thursday evening members of our Stewardship groups gathered for the annual Christmas open house in the Friary. It was a nice party to thank so many whose participation in the life and worship of our parish make our ministries and service possible. Thank you to all.

As we grow closer to Christmas, let us seek moments of prayer to let God speak to our hearts so we remember whom it is that we will celebrate in His coming.

In the Love and Joy of Christ.

Fr. Dan

Please pray for:

The Sick: Steve Flick, Leah, Jacob, Edna Schlathau, Antonio Agostino, Susan

The Deceased: Tom Keane

Christmas Schedule

Advent Penance Service Tuesday, December 18 7:30 pm

Christmas Eve

December 24 5:30 pm Children's Liturgy

9:30 pm Christmas Liturgy

12:00 Midnight Christmas Liturgy

Christmas Day

December 25 10:00 Christmas Mass

12:00 noon Christmas Mass

No Evening mass

December 26 Offices closed. No mass.

Feast of Mary, Mother of God

December 31 5:30 pm

January 1 10:00 am

12:00 noon

No Evening mass

Children's Christmas Pageant

Thank you! As usual our wonderful parishioners have stepped up to help carry on our Christmas tradition! Now, we just need the Children to come to our rehearsals. The first one is this weekend, Sunday afternoon at 1:30 pm in the church. The second rehearsal will be next Sunday at 1:30 pm. Please gather in the church to participate in this wonderful tradition of St. Joan of Arc's Christmas pageant.

Turner & Porter

We have been asked to notify our parishioners that the Roncesvalles Chapel closed as of December 1, 2012. Anyone needing their services can now contact their Yorke Chapel at the Bloor and Windermere. Their number is 416-767-3153.

Please note: There will be no group meetings or activities in the parish: from December 21 to January 3, 2013.

Win Great Prizes!

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, 2013. The Theme for this coming year is "What does God require of us?" (cf. Micah 6:6-8) First prize is an iPad mini (16 GB), second prize is a Kobo Arc and third to sixth prizes are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is January 18, 2013. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or FAX it to 416-934-3409. For further information call 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext. 404. Don't miss this opportunity!

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, December 18

7:30 pm Penance Service, with individual confessions

Wednesday, December 19

Staff Meeting

7:30 pm Bible Study/ RCIA

Plenary Indulgence

During the year of Faith proclaimed from Oct. 11, 2012 to Nov. 24, 2013, His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins has granted the gift of a Plenary indulgence to the faithful of the Archdiocese who:

- a) Are truly repentant, duly confessed, communing sacramentally and pray according to the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. And
- b) visit by way of pilgrimage, St. Michael's Cathedral, St. Paul's Basilica, Martyr's Shrine, Marylake Shrine and or a parish church on the day of its titular feast, and take part there in some sacred function or a least pause for an apt time of recollection with pious meditations. Concluding with the recitation of the Our Father, the Profession of Faith in a legitimate form, invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary and, according to the case, to Holy Apostles or Patrons. or
- c) on the feast day of St. Michael participate in Holy Mass or in Liturgy of the Hours adding the profession of faith in any legitimate form at any church, and/or, on the feast day of Corpus Christi participate in a parish procession.



Third Sunday of Advent

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