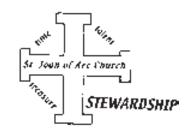
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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday

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

> Mass at Loyola Arrupe 1st Fridays at 10:30 AM with Anointing of the Sick

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office
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Andrew O'Handley
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10:00AM Choir Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:00 PM 12:00 Noon Choir

Chris McConnell

Rehearsal: Sunday 10:30 AM Ushers:

George Ramirez

To contact a coordinator by e-mail, type the name of the ministry, organization or activity followed by @joanofarc.ca

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

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.)

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
4th Monday, 7:00 PM
Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass
Development & Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Thursday of the month 7:00 PM

Meditation Group

Mondays, 7:15 PM Merry Makers

3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass 3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM Sunday School (ages 3-6)

During 10:00 AM Mass



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 28

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 Matthew 8:5-11,13

5:30 pm Bertha McFarland +

Tuesday, November 29

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72 Luke 10:21-24

5:30 pm A Special Intention

Wednesday, November 30

Romans 10:9-18 Psalm 19 Matthew 4:18-22

5:30 pm Ron & Louisa Chinn

Thursday, December 1

Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118 Matthew 7:21, 24-27

5:30 Harry Worotynec +

Friday, December 2

Isaiah 29:17-24 Psalm 27 Matthew 9:27-31

5:30 pm Ray LaBine

Saturday, December 3

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 Psalm 147 Matthew 9:35 10:1,5,6-8

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Sunday, December 4

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Psalm 85 2 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

8:30 am Shawn O'Neill +

10:00am Helen Savulak + 12:00 noon Stanislaw Lewandowski + 7:00 pm The Ficker Family +

Monthly Comparison for: October

Offertory	2010	2011
Envelopes	\$18,337	\$15,737
Loose	\$5,994	\$5,802
PAG*	\$8,518	\$7,908
Total	\$32,849	\$29,446

* Pre-Authorized Giving Contributions for the Building Maintenance Fund were \$1,998.00



FROM THE DESK OF FR. DAN

Now that the Santa Claus parade in Toronto and the Macy's day parade in New York City have passed, the commercial Christmas Season is at full throttle. Last Sunday I stopped in the Dollar store for some sundry items and was overwhelmed by the traffic and crowds that already filled the stores and parking lots. The bustle and busyness are picking up in the world, while we as a Church enter our Advent season of prayerful watchfulness and waiting for the coming of the Lord.

Advent is one of my favorite liturgical seasons, it is filled with symbols of prayerful anticipation. The Advent wreath is one that helps us keep vigil as we light the candles of hope to scatter the darkness. Each week brings us closer to the dawn of new life at Christmas. Mary, the mother of God, in her expectant waiting is the most beautiful figure of Advent. She to whom the miraculous message of the angel is spoken answers yes to her call; "be it done unto me according to your Word". This is the response to the Angel brings her to the patient waiting in pregnant anticipation for the birth of the Savior.

All of us are called to be attentive to the Word of God with special devotion during this season of prayer so we may prepare ourselves to celebrate with deep appreciation the gift of new life that is given to us in Christ. The liturgical changes that are coming about on the first Sunday of Advent can help us in our devotion at Mass. These changes will slow us down in their unfamiliarity so we can truly listen and contemplate the meaning that is present in the words we pray. We will need to be patient with the changes as we adapt. Perhaps this is an opportunity for our appreciation for what we pray each week to become more deeply set in our consciousness. It may help us truly to celebrate the Word made Flesh in the Eucharist as we realize more fully who this is, in the Christ Child we adore at Christmas.

As we go about our preparations for the Christmas holiday we are challenged to make some time to pray, to grow in patience and peace in the midst of the bustle of the world. What better opportunity do we have to practice patience than in this time; as the lines seem to grow longer, the traffic grows heavier and the pressures to accomplish much in a short time is increased. Spending time in prayer each day we might ask the Lord to give us the grace to grow in hope which is the hallmark virtue of Advent. In Spanish the one verb, *esperar*, means to wait or to hope. As we wait in lines or in traffic perhaps we can turn to the Lord to ask him to help us grow in hope patience and peace. Perhaps these strengths of character may become more deeply embedded in our hearts and lives. If each of us do this it will simply bear the fruit of our prayer. This may help us to reflect our faith as the Church who believe that Mary bears the fruit of Word made flesh in her womb giving birth to the Christ Child we are preparing to welcome at Christmas.

May God fill you with peace and grace in this holy season of joyful hope. Fr. Dan

Please Pray For:

Sick: Liz Huong, Marie Kozak

Deceased: Fr. Peter Botman, SCJ, Fr. Eugene Jurgutis, OFM, Rev. Joseph

Wijesinghe

St. Nicholas is Coming to St. Joan of Arc

As we will not be holding our Advent'ure Sunday, St. Nicholas will be here at St. Joan of Arc on December 4th for the 10 am and 12 noon masses, to accept your donations of toys from the children on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. (see next notice.)

St. Vincent de Paul Society

For the past 48 years, our parish conference has delivered, on your behalf gifts and groceries at Christmas time to the less fortunate. Sixty-five families received our help in 2010 and were more than thrilled. We are asking for donations of new unwrapped toys, hats, mitts, scarves again this year. Gift certificates would also be appreciated for older children. Vincentians will be available in the hall before and after all the masses Dec.3 & 4th and 10th & 11th, to accept you donations.

Lessons & Carols

Please join us for an ecumenical Lessons and Carols service, offering readings and music to help us to celebrate the season, on December 16th, at 7:30 pm. Both our choirs as well as choirs from other churches will sing Advent and Christmas music, and there will be caroling for all. Readers from other churches in the area will join our St. Joan of Arc lectors in leading us along with the choirs. There will be a reception in the hall following the service.

Franciscan Friars of the Atonement-Graymoor and the Catholic Register

Present The 2012 Student Writing Award -The theme for the 2012 Week of Pray for Christian Unity comes from cf.1Cor.15:51-58. Students are invited to carefully reflect on this Scripture passage and submit a 500 word essay answering the question: "What must be changed in order to attain Christian Unity for the Church"? (First Prize: An IPad 2, 16GB, 2nd Prize: An Amazon Kindle Fire). The top three essays will be edited and published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is Jan. 9, 2011. See posters in the church and the parish hall. For more details call 416 934-3400 ext 344.

Catholic Women's League

Members of the CWL will be holding a candle light service following the 5:30 pm Mass on Monday, November 28, in honour of all their deceased members. Monthly meeting will follow at 7:00 pm

Advent Ministry Retreat 10:30 am December 3

Members of all ministries are expected to attend this retrea

2012 Offertory Envelopes

Boxes are setup in the hall. Please collect your box as soon as possible. If **you didn't** use envelopes in 2011 and would like a box for 2012, please go to the office and a box will be issued to you. If your box is missing, please let the office know!

THIS WEEK

Monday, November 28

7:00 pm CWL

7:15 pm Meditation Group

Tuesday, November 29

Religious Ed

Wednesday, November 30

Staff

7:30 pm RCIA

Friday, December 2

First Friday Devotions following the 5:30 pm mass.

Saturday, December 3

10:30 am Advent Ministry Retreat

Future Dates to Remember

Wednesday, December 7

4:30 pm Blood Donor Clinic

Friday, December 16

7:30 pm Lessons & Carols

Campaign Life Christmas Cakes

If you would like to order a Christmas cake in support of Campaign Life, see the poster in the parish hall.

CWL Blood Donor Clinic

The Catholic Women's League is sponsoring a Blood Donor Clinic on Wednesday, December 7 from 4:30 to 8:30 pm in the church hall. Donating blood is one of the best ways to help keep our health system strong. Your donation could literally save up to three lives. Book you appointment by calling 1-888-2-donate (1-888-236-6283).



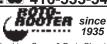
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