ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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SUNDAY MASSES:

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy)

8:30 a.m. English Mass 9:30 a.m. Low Mass

(Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)

11:30 a.m. Sung English Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Before every Mass on Sundays Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS:

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday

10:00 a.m. Saturday

MARRIAGES:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

BAPTISMS: On Sundays by appointment.

PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

Mr. Peter Bishop: 416-535-7646

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-9944

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

11:30 SUNG ENGLISH MASS

Holy Family

Entrance Hymn: 322- O come, all ye faithful

Kyrie: Kyriale Simplex, Ordinarium V (No. 55) &

Mass in D Minor (C. H. Kitson) Gloria: 211- Mass VIII (de Angelis) Responsorial Psalm Refrain:

"ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH HAVE SEEN THE SALVATION OF OUR GOD."

Credo: 202- Kyriale Romanum III

Offertory Hymn: 331- Of the Father's love begotten

Sanctus: 203- Mass XVIII "Great Amen"- Christmastide **Agnus Dei:** 204- Mass XVIII

Communion Motet: *In the chill of bleak midwinter/*

Ave verum Corpus (McNeil Robinson)

Concluding Hymn: 325- Hark! The herald angels sing!

Organ Postlude: Two Chorale Preludes, "Vom Himmel hoch, da komm' ich her"/"From highest heaven to earth I come" (*Orgelbüchlein & BWV* 738)

(J. S. Bach)

PARISH FINANCES FOR DECEMBER 20

Regular collection: \$2,279 Anniversary Fund: \$1,872 Total: \$4,151 Budget Need: \$3,863

OFFICE HOURS DURING THE HOLIDAY

December 24 & 31 – 9:00 a.m. - noon December 23, 25 & 28 -CLOSED December 30 & January 1- CLOSED

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxes of envelopes for 2016 are available at the back of the church. Please pick up the box that has your name on it. If you do not find a box that has your name on it, pick up one of the unassigned boxes and make it your own. Also, kindly put your name and address on the first few envelopes so that we can make sure that our database is up to date.

Please note: Holders of envelopes numbered 251 and higher have been assigned new numbers.

PAG – pre-authorized giving – is also an option in our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28 Holy Innocents, Martyrs

10:00 Marion Brown, req. by David & Claudia Brown

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:00 Ian Brown & family, req. by David & Claudia

Brown

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:00 Patrick Brown & family, req. by David & Claudia

Brown

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 Brendan & Anita, req. by David & Claudia Brown

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1
Mary, Mother of God

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

SS. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors

10:00 (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners 5:00 Anniversary Committee members & volunteers

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Please note **Monday, December 28** is a civic holiday. Mass will start at 10:00 a.m.

MAINTENANCE & DEBT FUND

Next Sunday, **January 3**, the first Sunday of the month will be our monthly collection for the Maintenance and Debt Fund.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Envelopes to donate to the Society are on the table at all entrances and at the back of the church. The phone number to call for families in need in the Roncesvalles area is 647-727-8758.

BOOKSTALL

Missalettes and calendars are available at the bookstall after all the Masses. The cost is \$5 each.

HOT SOUP LUNCH

Our next Hot Soup Lunch is **Jan 24th**, after the 11:30 am Mass! If you have any spare bowls and spoons to donate to SVP, it would be appreciated.

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



The Feast of the Holy Family is dedicated to Jesus, Mary and Joseph, commemorating their life together in Nazareth and calling us to focus on Catholic family life. Because this is the Patronal Feast of the Holy Family gained by all the

faithful who visit that church today and pray the Creed and the Our Father, and, in addition, (1) receive Holy Communion and go to Confession within several days (before or after), (2) pray for the Pope's intention, and (3) are completely detached from sin, even venial sin. [See the Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1471-79.]

...In the poor grotto of Bethlehem — the Fathers of the Church wrote — shines a very bright light, a reflection of the profound mystery which envelopes that Child, which Mary and Joseph cherish in their hearts and which can be seen in their expression, in their actions, and especially in their silence. Indeed, they preserve in their inmost depths the words of the Angel's Annunciation to Mary: "the Child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God" (Lk 1:35).

Yet every child's birth brings something of this mystery with it! Parents who receive a child as a gift know this well and often speak of it in this way. We have all heard people say to a father and a mother: "this child is a gift, a miracle!" Indeed, human beings do not experience procreation merely as a reproductive act but perceive its richness and intuit that every human creature who is born on earth is the "sign" par excellence of the Creator and Father who is in Heaven.

How important it is, therefore, that every child coming into the world be welcomed by the warmth of a family! External comforts do not matter: Jesus was born in a stable and had a manger as his first cradle, but the love of Mary and of Joseph made him feel the tenderness and beauty of being loved. Children need this: the love of their father and mother. It is this that gives them security and, as they grow, enables them to discover the meaning of life. The Holy Family of Nazareth went through many trials, such as the "massacre of the innocents" — as recounted in the Gospel according to Matthew — which obliged Joseph and Mary to flee to Egypt (cf. 2:13-23). Yet, trusting in divine Providence, they found their stability and guaranteed Jesus a serene childhood and a sound upbringing.

Dear friends, the Holy Family is of course unique and unrepeatable, but at the same time it is a "model of life" for every family because Jesus, true man, chose to be born into a human family and thereby blessed and consecrated it. Let us therefore entrust all families to Our Lady and to St Joseph, so that they do not lose heart in the face of

trials and difficulties but always cultivate conjugal love and devote themselves with trust to the service of life and education.

Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus on December 26, 2010

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, December 31

5:00 p.m. Mass in English Confessions from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (There will be a Holy Hour at 10:00 p.m. at Holy Family, followed by Mass at 11:00 p.m.)

Friday, January 1

8:30 a.m. Mass in English 9:30 a.m. Low Mass in Latin, Usus Antiquior 11:30 a.m. Sung Mass in English

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Come to Holy Family Parish Hall on **Saturday**, **January 9**, **at 6:00 p.m.** Home-made soup, turkey & trimmings, Christmas pudding and entertainment!!! \$30 (single) / \$60 (family), includes wine. Buy your tickets early! Contact Holy Family rectory at 416-532-2879

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

The course will run from **January 25 to March 8, 2016** on Monday evenings, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. in the Holy Family parish hall. Registration will take place at the first session. Couples who are planning to be married should contact a priest as soon as possible.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

Leave Toronto on July 18 and arrive in Prague, Czech Republic on July 19. Stay and see sites in and around the city. Leave Prague by bus on July 22 for Spisska Kapitula and stay for three nights. Hiking in the High Tatra Mountains and visiting Gothic churches. Leave for Krakow for the World Youth Day activities from July 26-31. Afterwards, do a few sites like Czestochowa, Auschwitz, Wieliczka Salt Mine and more. Flying back home on August 5 from Prague. The cost for the trip is \$2500. Many have shown interest in this trip and there is a limit of 49 which is dictated by the size of the bus. If you are interested, fill out a form from the website: www.oratory-tornto.org The form and a \$300 deposit to be given to Fr Martin Hilbert at Holy Family office.

PILGRIMAGES 2016

WYD July 18-August 5/ \$2,500 all inclusive, Fr. Martin Italy & Holy Land, May 1-12/ \$2,990, Fr Roche Call 416-532-2879 or www.oratory-toronto.org

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