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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)
11:00 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

DAILY ROSARY

The Rosary is recited in the church at the following times:
Monday - Thursday 8:40 a.m., Friday noon,
Saturday 10:40 a.m., & Sunday 10:25 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 8:30 a.m. until noon every Friday with Solemn Benediction on first Fridays & all day Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

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.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY: 647-727-8758

PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

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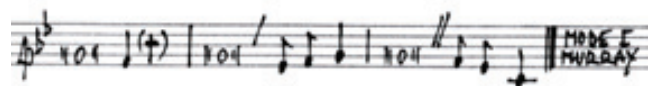
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-8544

11:00 A.M. SUNG ENGLISH MASS

Entrance Hymn: 304 – Lo! He Comes, with Clouds
Descending

Entrance Antiphon:



[Choir] O people of / Sion, (†) * behold, the Lord will
come to / save the nations, *

[All] and the Lord will make the glory of his voice
heard in the joy // of your heart.

Kyrie: Mass XVII

Responsorial Psalm:

[All] IN HIS DAYS MAY RIGHT/EOUS-NESS
FLOURISH, * AND PEACE A//BOUND FOR-EVER.

Gospel Acclamation: “*Rorate cæli*” (Mode I)



[Choir] Prepare the way of the Lord, make / straight his
paths:

[All] all flesh shall see the salva//tion of God.”

Credo: 202 – *Kyrieale Romanum* III

Offertory Antiphon: (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] You will turn toward us, O / God, (†) * and
restore our / life a-gain, *

[All] and your people will re//joice in you.

[Choir] Show us, O / Lord, your mercy *

[All] and grant us // your sal-vation.

Motet:

Matin Responsory (Gerre Hancock)

I look from afar. And lo! I see the power of God coming,
and a great cloud covering the whole earth. Go ye out to
meet Him and say: “Tell us, art Thou He that should come
to reign over thy people Israel?” High and low, rich and
poor, one with another. Go ye out to meet Him and say:
Hear, O Thou Shepherd of Israel, Thou that leadest Joseph
like a shepherd. “Tell us, art Thou He that should come?”
Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy
people Israel! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Sanctus: Mass XVII

Agnus Dei: Mass XVII

Communion Antiphon: (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] “Jerusalem, arise and stand up/on the heights, *

[All] and behold the joy which comes to //
you from God.”

Hymn: 301 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Motet: *A Tender Shoot (Otto Goldschmidt)*

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grace,
as ancient seers imparted from Jesse’s holy race. It blooms
without a blight, it blooms without a blight. Blooms in the

cold bleak winter, turning our darkness into light. This
shoot Isaiah taught us from Jesse’s root should spring. The
Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing. Our
God of endless might, our God of endless might, gave her
his child to save us, thus turning darkness into light.

Concluding Hymn: 303– On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

Immaculate Conception

8:00 Cindy Guzman

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:00 For Roncesvalles neighbourhood

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 Gustavo Rico

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 All Saints party volunteers

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of America

8:00 Special Intention

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

10:00 (+) Relatives and friends of parishioners

5:00 (+) Michael Mayhian

PARISH FINANCES FOR NOVEMBER 30

Offertory Collection: \$2,655

Maintenance & Debt: \$105

CanadaHelps: \$241.12

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2026 ARE AVAILABLE!
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Saturday, December 13: 11:30am – 8pm

Sunday, December 14: 11am – 5pm

You are invited to fun-filled days of delicious food,
Christmas carols, raffle draw, gifts to buy and so much
more.

HOLY FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Saturday, January 3 at 6:00p.m.

Cost is \$40 Adults and \$5 Child. To purchase tickets, go
to: christmasdinner2026.eventbrite.ca

SOUP SUNDAY NEWS

There will be no soup lunch during December. But in its place, we have the annual Potluck Coffee House. The next soup lunch will be on January 25.

ADVENT MARKET

Saturday, December 13

Holy Family Parish Hall, 3 – 10 p.m.

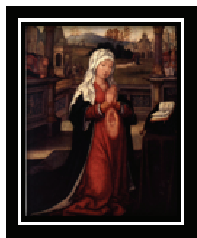
Celebrate the Feast of St. Lucy with The Oratory Bookstall! Browse handmade goods, food, and seasonal drinks crafted by our very own Oratorians and other Catholic artisans. Schedule for the day: 3:10 PM - St. Lucy's Lighting Ceremony; 3:45 PM – St. Nicholas Visit; 4:30 PM - Bambinelli Blessing; 9:00 PM - Advent Carolling. Join us for an amazing evening with your family and friends! All are welcome!

STREET CAROLING – DECEMBER 21

Street carolling in front of St. Vincent de Paul is on once again! 1:30pm on Sunday, Dec. 21, in front of St. Vincent de Paul Parish (263 Roncesvalles Ave). We are there to proclaim what Christmas is about -- a beautiful way to evangelize this Advent! One passerby began attending mass again last year after stopping to hear us sing, so you never know what impact you are having. SVP's new music director Jeff (cc'd) is rounding up some choir members, songbooks are provided and there will be snacks of some sort in the hall (as we did last year).

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Through the centuries, the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses,



as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854: *The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.*

The "splendor of an entirely unique holiness" by which Mary is "enriched from the first instant of her conception" comes wholly from Christ: she is "redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son". The Father blessed Mary more than any other created person "in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" and chose her "in Christ before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before him in love".

(CCC 491-492)

There will be a Solemn High Mass at Holy Family Church on Monday, December 8 at 6:00p.m.

POTLUCK COFFEE HOUSE

Sunday, December 28th in the hall after the 11am Mass

One more feast in the year! Bring out your remaining Christmas Cheer and share with fellow parishioners! We eat and drink whatever we bring! It is the feast of the Holy Family in the Octave of Christmas. A fitting day to share a meal with our parish family.

MARRIAGE PREP COURSE -- UPCOMING

The 8-week marriage course will begin on Wednesday, January 28. The classes will be from 7:30pm-9pm in the parish hall at Holy Family. For more information, contact Fr Michael Eades: kmichaelradesjr@gmail.com.

ORATORY CORNER -- 50th Anniversary

Newman in a Nutshell, part 4

In the *Grammar of Assent*, St John Henry Newman, the second founder of the Oratory, deals with two questions: 1) how can we believe what we do not understand and 2) how can we believe what we cannot prove. He is convinced that we do so through the help of the imagination. The imagination allows us to form an image of something we cannot see. Newman knows that what is real, what actually exists, is individual, concrete, a unit. We make real to ourselves these concrete things though forming an image of them.

God exists. But how can we make real to ourselves that the one God sees us and knows us? Newman thinks it is through the experience of conscience. Conscience gives us a law for acting. If there is a law, there must be a Lawgiver. Conscience makes demands on us. But demands suggest someone demanding. When we follow our conscience, we *experience* a peace and joy similar to when we follow the commands of a parent. Conscience thus enables us to form an image of a *Moral Governor* who sees all that we do. We can apprehend the one God through these experiences. We can form an image of God. God can become real to us. We cannot understand fully the mystery of God, but we can assent to his Reality.

During Advent, we want to relive the ancient expectations of the Old Testament. The four weeks of Advent correspond to the 4000 years of written human history before Christ that are recounted in the Scriptures. The great message of the Old Testament is that God exists. And the God who exists in One. *I am the Lord your God and there is no other (Isaiah 45:5)*. This one God chose one people, the Jews, in order to bring one Saviour who would save the world. Through one people, the one God would bless all peoples. Let us pray in Advent for greater faith in God. Let us believe that the One God who is good and sees our misery wants to help us. Let us read the Old Testament!

SUNDAY MISSALS (\$7) AND CALENDARS (\$5) ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE AND AFTER EACH MASS



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