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SUNDAY EUCHARIST
Saturday: 7:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday to Saturday: 9:05 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY:
Exposition 9:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Pastor at least two months before the proposed date.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please let us know if you know someone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Upon request, Communion will be brought to the sick and shut-ins.

PLEASE REMEMBER SAINT CECILIA'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL



Third Sunday of Advent December 17, 2023

YEAR B

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

- Wed. Dec. 21: St. Peter Canisius, *priest, doctor*
- Fri. Dec. 23: St. John of Kanty, *priest*
- Sun. Dec. 24: Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Mon. Dec. 25: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)



MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Dec 18 - Sun. Dec. 24

Sunday 9 a.m.

Ben Beneditz (RIP)

Hilaria Hong Ting and Agatha Thissen (RIP)

Req. by Annette Beneditz

Sunday 11 a.m.

Deceased members

of the Dias and Clementino Families (RIP)

Req. by R.C.

Monday 9:05 a.m.

Emiddio Ruccolo (RIP)

Req. by Maria Ruccolo

Wednesday 9:05 a.m.

Tedeuzs Slowik (RIP)

Req. by wife and son

Thursday 9:05 a.m.

Genevieve (INT)

Health and blessings

Req. by the Czajkowski Family

Friday 9:05 a.m.

Brendan Clough (RIP)

Req. by The Tran Family



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses

Saturday, December 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023

11:30 Carols

12:00 a.m. Solemn Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25, 2023

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Feast of The Holy Family Masses

Saturday, December 30, 2023 at 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 31, 2023 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Mass - Solemnity of Mary

Sunday, December 31, 2023

7:00 p.m.

New Year's Day Masses - Solemnity of Mary

Monday, January 1, 2024

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday December 23rd and Saturday December 30th:

NO confessions at 4:00-4:30 p.m.

See Day of Confessions schedule for confession opportunities

LIVING WITH CHRIST MISSALS

Sunday Missals for 2023-2024 are available for purchase at the back of the church.

The price is \$5.00.



FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2024

Deadline: January 15, 2024

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27)

High school students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from January 18-25.

Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions!

Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster at <https://bit.ly/3G0l4zT>.

Students should submit their entries to:

<https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>.

INFO: ecumenical@archtoronto.org, 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527)

DIVINA ELOQUIA - PATRISTIC CONCEPTIONS OF MARTYRDOM AND THEIR RELEVANCE TODAY

Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

University of St. Michael's College, Elmsley Hall, 81 St. Mary Street, Toronto

Register in advance to secure your spot. Tickets will become available December 29, 2023.

REGISTRATION: <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/patristic-talk-jan2024>

**WE WELCOME
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**
Sevanah Habib Haig



2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are ready for pick-up this weekend.

Please do not use your 2024 offertory envelopes until January 1st, 2024. Please print your full name, address, and phone number on the envelope, when making your first few 2024 donations. If making a larger donation to cover multiple Sundays, please use ONE envelope to make it easier for staff to record. New envelope users/parishioners are asked to fill out a **Parish Registration Form** and return it to an usher to obtain offertory envelopes for 2024. Thank you!



OFFERTORY

Weekly, Dec 10

\$ 2,065.00

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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR RAFFLE SPONSORS & WINNERS

Thank you to our raffle sponsors and congratulations to the winners!

Metro Food Basics on St Clair Ave West donated a \$25 card Peter Treen was the lucky winner.

Petti Fine Foods on Dundas St West donated a Gift Basket. Yasmine Silva was the winner.

Turner and Porter Funeral Home donated a gift card for The Cookery won by Bambi Rutledge.

Lynette Funeral Home donated \$150 and the Daughters of Isabella used the donation to supply the 2 sets of Marlies tickets. Both sets were won by Lidia Majchrzak.

Cardinal Funeral Home donated the 2 Raptors Tickets. Marion Clivio took those home.

The Junction Grill on Pacific Ave donated 80 assorted muffins and croissants for the cafe.

A Daughter of Isabella donated the coffee mug handpainted by Maxine Noel (Ioyan-Mani). Bambi Rutledge won the mug.

The 50/50 prize money was \$130 and the winner was Cate.



CHRISTMAS CAKES AND CARDS

As in previous years, during the weeks preceding the great 'Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord', *Right to Life Christmas Cards and Campaign Life fruitcakes* will be on sale in the vestibule after Saturday and Sunday Masses this Advent season. Please purchase these items generously which support the Culture of Life in our society. On behalf of the Unborn, the Disabled and The Family,

Thank you!

See the poster in the vestibule for details

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR
DEC 24, 2023
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Psalms 89
Romans 16.25-27
Luke 1.26-38

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please notify the office of any changes to the list

Hang Sam Lee, Richard Mijares, Drew Fiala, Connie Tari-Kornhauser, Lisa Reardon, Stuart Robson, Rosa Maria Santos, Bianca Auriemma, Rosie Po, Frank Ferreira, Antonina Koziara, Julia Collins, Mary Ann Cuschieri, Sebastian Carvalho, Anne Tran Fazzalari, Gabriel Sebastian Romano, Robert Freimuts, Giuseppe R., Mikayla Haswell, Victoria Cooper, Anna Solims, Lorenza Varga, Steven McKinney, Krysten Telfer, Edward Spiteri, Maria Ruccolo, Ignacio Juarez Ednet, Dominic Coccimiglio, Winifred Ismail, Mimi Ashton, Ann Baby, Marta DiGregorio, Rosa Loschiavo, Anne Marie Skewes, Blossom Reid, and Sophia Oppel



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