

BLESSED TRINITY PARISH

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ADVENT

**THIS WEEK AT BLESSED TRINITY**

Mon, Dec 22 – 6:00 am:	† Julia Shin
Mon, Dec 22 – 8:00 am:	† Ryan Chang
Tue, Dec 23 – 6:00 am:	(S.I.) Poonam Dhir
Tue, Dec 23 – 8:00 am:	(S.I.) Vallon Family
Wed, Dec 24 – 6:00 am:	(S.I.) Suico Family
Wed, Dec 24 – 8:00 am:	† Teresita S. Cunanan
4:00 pm, 7:00 pm, and 10:00 pm	Christmas Eve Masses
Thurs, Dec 25 – 8:00 am, 9:30 am, and 11:15 am	Christmas Day Masses
Fri, Dec 26 – 8:00 am:	† Trinidad & Alfonzo Lim
Sat, Dec 27 - 8:00 am:	(S.I.) BT Parishioners, (S.I.) Namwha Mueller † Stanley Namo, † Tony Lizola Rocha, † Anna Pontello, † Richard Ford Sr. – 4:30 pm: † Severino Tedesco
Sun, Dec 28 – 8:00 am: – 9:30 am: – 11:15 am: – 7:00 pm:	† Frances & Arthur Thibideau † Cindy Gobin Tam † Vidah Mbizvo † Larry & Patricia Thalheimer & Martha Dennis
Mon, Dec 29 – 8:00 am:	† Nelson Ayoung-Chee
Tue, Dec 30 – 8:00 am:	† James Wong – 4:30 pm: New Year's Eve Mass
Wed, Dec 31 – 8:00 am: – 4:30 pm:	Thanksgiving & Intentions of Fr. Alphonsus Bernard New Year's Eve Mass
Thurs, Jan 01 – 9:30 am and 11:15 am	New Year's Day Masses
First Fri, Jan 2 - 7:00am: – 8:00am:	Adoration † For All Souls in Purgatory
Sat, Jan 03 - 8:00 am:	(S.I.) BT Parishioners, † Stanley Namo, † Policarpio dela Cerna Jr. – 4:30 pm: † Marion Fox, † Aloysius Joy
Sun, Jan 04 – 8:00 am: – 9:30 am: – 11:15 am: – 7:00 pm:	† Dr. Gordon J. Fimio & Oskar Schack † Katherine Wong † Americo Grasa † Unborn Souls in Purgatory

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Mary Ronan

PRAY FOR THE SOULSLydia Wissa
Elvira RuffoGiovanni Lenza
Joanne Bonia**Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule****December 24th Mass Times**6:00 am (Simbang Gabi)
8:00 am**Christmas Eve – The Nativity of the Lord**December 24th – 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm**Christmas Day – The Nativity of the Lord**December 25th – 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am**New Year's Eve - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**December 31st – 4:30 pm**New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**January 1st – 9:30 am, 11:15 am

We have permission to use the Bayview Arena and Blessed Trinity School across the street for parking. Please **DO NOT** park at St. Luke's Lutheran Church next door.

CHILI FOR THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Chili for the Good Shepherd is due on December 29th. Chili pans will be available for pick-up at the foyer **this weekend**.

SANTA IS COMING TO BT!

Be sure to join us for our annual Children's Christmas Party after all Sunday morning Masses on December 21st. Get your picture taken with Santa, decorate a gingerbread cookie, make an ornament, and enjoy some delicious snacks! We encourage everyone young and older to come and join the fun!

ANNOUNCEMENT

• Address Changes

If you have recently moved or are planning to move out of the parish, please contact the parish office so we can update our records. Keeping your information current also helps ensure timely delivery of tax receipts.

• 2025 Donations Deadline

All donations for the 2025 tax year must be received by December 31st at 5:00 p.m.

• 2026 Offertory Envelopes

Please pick up your 2026 Offertory Envelopes at the back of the church. The envelopes are arranged numerically for your convenience.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS



December 24, 4:00 pm

Christmas Eve is a special time for children; it holds the promise of expectation and anticipation of hope for the future. Our preparations during Advent reach a culmination on this most Holy Night. Help your children understand the true meaning of Christmas by joining us at 4:00pm for an extraordinary Children's Christmas Eve Mass, as we invite the youngest members of our parish family to participate in welcoming baby Jesus into our midst. They will have a special role to play in many aspects of this liturgy. Come celebrate with your family and share in the joy of a truly blessed Christmas!

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S OFFICE HOURS

Christmas Eve, December 24	9:00 – 12 noon
Christmas Day, December 25	CLOSED
Boxing Day, December 26	CLOSED
Saturday, December 27	CLOSED
Sunday, December 28	8:30 – 12:30 pm
Monday, December 29	CLOSED
Tuesday, December 30	CLOSED
Wednesday, New Year's Eve	CLOSED
New Year's Day, January 01	CLOSED
Friday, January 02	CLOSED

There will be no Parish Bulletin on the weekend of Dec. 27/28 and will resume on the weekend of January 3/4.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

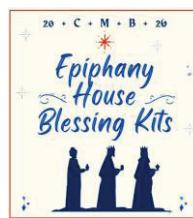
Matthew 1.18-24 - The Birth of Jesus the Messiah

Making Room for Jesus

As Christmas fast approaches and Advent is drawing to a close, let us remind ourselves of the importance of this liturgical season. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas as well as His final coming at the end of time.

The great saints of the church speak of an intermediary coming of Christ, the coming of Christ to our present lives. Jesus says in the Book of Revelation, “Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you” (Revelation 3:20). We can let him into our lives as stewards by realizing it is not ourselves ministering to our neighbour, but the love and presence of Christ within us.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING KITS



Our Epiphany House Blessing Kits will be available again this year! Each kit contains everything you need to know and do to bless your home, chalk your door, and invite God into your home and family life throughout the new year. It's a wonderful family tradition to start or to continue! If you would like more info, send an email to btfamilylife@gmail.com. The kits will be available on the weekend of December 27th and January 3rd. Donations are welcome.

JUBILEE YEAR CLOSING MASS



We wish to extend a warm invitation to the faithful of the archdiocese to join with Cardinal Leo for the Closing Mass for the Year of Jubilee on Sunday, December 28, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 5 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. All are most welcome.

Please visit the pilgrimage church websites for further details: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/year-of-prayer/home/pilgrimage-churches/>

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