# BLESSED TRINITY PARISH 3220 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario M2M 3R7

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# PARISH STAFF

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# This Week at Blessed Trinity

#### Monday, December 29

8:00 a.m. Mass - Persecuted Christians around the World

| Time      | Event/Meeting  | Location    |
|-----------|----------------|-------------|
| 7:00 p.m. | Exercise Class | Parish Hall |

#### Tuesday, December 30

8:00 a.m. Mass - The Souls in Purgatory

| Time      | Event/Meeting  | Location     |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| 6:30 p.m. | Legion of Mary | Trinity Room |

#### Wednesday, December 31

8:00 a.m. Mass - Special Intention

#### Holy Mother of God Vigil

4:30 p.m. Mass

#### Thursday, January 1, 2015

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. (no 7:00 p.m.)

#### Friday, January 2,

8:00 a.m. Mass + James Bailey 7:00 p.m. Mass + Mr. & Mrs. George Yeung & Mr & Mrs N T Chow

| vent/Meeting | Location |
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| doration     | Church   |
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#### Saturday, January 3

9:00 a.m. Mass Spiritual Growth of Blessed Trinity 4:30 p.m. Mass + Virginia and Amato Miele

## <u>Sunday, January 4</u>

10:30 a.m.. Mass + Tony Mizgala

| Time | Event/Meeting | Location                        |
|------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Noon | Chinese RCIA  | Atrium/Board &<br>Trinity Rooms |

## **December & New Years Office Hours**

| Saturday, December 27  | - | 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.      |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Sunday, December 28    | - | 9:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. |
| Monday, December 29    | - | 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. |
| Tuesday, December 30   | - | 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 31 | - | 9:00 a.m. – Noon      |
| Thursday, January 1    | - | Closed                |
| Friday, January 2      | - | Closed                |
| Saturday, January 3    | - | 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.      |
| Sunday, January 4      | - | 9:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. |
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# NEW CONFESSION TIME ON SATURDAY

As of the first Saturday in January 2015 Confessions will now be at 8:00 – 8:40 a.m. There will be no Confessions at 9:40 a.m.



### Catholic Women's League

**Executive Meeting** - Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Atrium Room.

**Marriage Preparation Classes** – Blessed Trinity will once again be offering marriage preparation classes in the parish hall on **Monday evenings 7 – 9 p.m. Dates: January 5, 12, 19, 26; February 2, 9 Included is Saturday, January 31, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.** For more information and to register, please call the parish office 416-226-0262.



**2015** envelope donation boxes are available in the parish hall for pick up. The boxes are in numerical order. If you require assistance in finding your number,

have any questions or errors, please contact the office. 2015 envelopes should not be used until January 1, and previous year envelopes should not be used in 2015.

**Deadline for 2014 Parish Donations** – A reminder to parishioners, that all donations to be included for the 2014 tax year, must be in by December 31, 2014. Any donations received after December 31, 2014 will be reflected in tax receipts for 2015.

Our <u>frozen</u> pans of **Chili** for the **Good Shepherd Refuge** are due in the parish hall this **Sunday**. The deadline is always the last Sunday of the month, after the last Mass (7:00 pm). We thank all our loyal chili cooks, and invite anyone who is willing to help us feed the hungry to pick up a pan and recipe from the parish office. The recipe is easy and delicious and makes enough to fill the Good Shepherd pan, with leftovers for your family's dinner. It takes so little effort to help us realize Christ's words: *"For I was hungry and you gave me food."* (Mt 25:35).

**Project Rachel** – Hurting as a result of an abortion? Healing is possible. Project Rachel is post-abortion healing reconciliation – a journey of hope and inner peace. Take the first step – call them at 416-629-8264 or email projectrachel@stmaryrefuge.org. Project Rachel is private and confidential.

**Pre-Authorized Giving Plan** – Did you have to scramble for a pen to write your cheque before coming to Church today? Perhaps you had to check your wallet for cash when the collections started. You can now avoid these hassles by making your regular donation through a pre-authorized giving plan. Brochures are available at the back of the church and at the parish office. To participate please complete the authorization form. Forms may be returned to the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office.

**Kolbe Eucharistic Mini-Retreat** – On Saturday, January 10, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. Brigid's Church, 300 Wolverleigh Blvd., Toronto, there will be a special Kolbe Eucharistic Mini-Retreat. The guest speaker will be Fr. Bobby V. Cena on the topic of "The Nine Invitations of Pope Francis" – The Joy of the Gospel: Part One.

#### Scarboro Missions One-Year Volunteer Program

Scarboro Missions, a Roman Catholic mission society involved in volunteer outreach both overseas and in Canada, has a one-year volunteer opportunity for adults aged 21 and above. If you feel called to help make the world a better place and/or are interested in gaining valuable cross-cultural experience, this could be the opportunity for you! The deadline for applications is February 13, 2015. Volunteers live a basic lifestyle, but the costs of the overseas experience are covered by Scarboro Missions. To learn more, please visit <u>oneyear@scarboromissiions.ca</u> or call 416-261-7135, ext. 280.

#### New Website for Steubenville Toronto 2015

Steubenville Toronto has launched its new website: <u>www.steubenvilletoronto.com</u>. Here you will find information on registration, volunteers, payments, etc. Steubenville Toronto runs from August 7-9, 2015, and registration opens January 15, 2015. They expect to sell out quickly. Please see poster on bulletin board in the foyer of the church.

<u>Mindful Practices for Stress Reduction</u> – In this practical 9 week course, participants will learn simple but profound techniques for reducing stress, cultivating emotional balance and enhancing overall well-being. Catholic Family Services of Toronto offer these sessions at the Central Toronto Office, 1155 Yonge Street, Suite 101, Toronto, ON, at 6:20 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays, January 15 to March 12, 2015. Spaces are limited. Advanced registration is required.

For more information, please call 416-921-1163, <u>www.cfstoronto.com</u> or <u>info@cfstoronto.com</u>.

# New Year's Prayer

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another. As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

# Solemnity of Mary The Holy Mother of God Thursday, January 1, 2015



"Beguiled by the spirit of the times, the proud may sneer at the Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary and cast it aside: but countless holy men of every age and state have treasured it and recited it with the deepest devotion. At all times they have used it as the mightiest weapon in the combat against the Evil Spirit, as the most secure means for the preservation of innocence, as efficient help in the attainment of perfection, and as the true source of peace for mankind.

There have always been men in every age, men renowned for learning and wisdom, who have never permitted their interest in study and research to keep them from kneeling daily before the image of the Mother of God and turning to her in pious prayer. Kings and princes, despite distracting cares and tasks, have looked upon the practice as an honourable duty. The beads, like so many roses, slip through the fingers of the poor and simple, but they are also revered by all classes of men."

..... Pope Pius XI, 1937

