Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church

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EUCHARIST:	Weekends: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15am, 10am, 12 noon, 7pm
	Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8am, Saturday & Holidays 9am
	First Friday: Adoration 12pm until Mass at 7pm
<b>RECONCILIATION:</b>	Saturday 4-4:30pm or by request

SACRAMENTS: Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation & Marriage: Please contact the office.

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES:**

Altar Servers Becoming Catholic Capital Campaign Committee Catholic Cemeteries Catholic Family Services Catholic Women's League Children's Liturgy Collection Counters Community Life Euchre Family Playgroup Finance Council Funeral Choir Knights of Columbus	George Martin Brenda Chang Grace Volkening 416-733-8544 905-770-7040 Lori Thompson Jane Cobbold Parish Office Wendy Frappier Agnes Carrey Sandra Fortini Dave Tate Madeleine Swain John Lyn	<ul> <li>Marriage Preparation</li> <li>Music Ministry</li> <li>Pastoral Council</li> <li>Pastoral Visitors</li> <li>Prayer Group</li> <li>Renovation Committee</li> <li>Retrouvaille</li> <li>Rosary</li> <li>St. Vincent de Paul Society</li> <li>Volunteer Screening</li> <li>Welcome Table</li> <li>Welcoming Arms</li> </ul>	416-921-1163 Dan Smith Jason Gennaro Sandra Fortini Anita & Edwin Andrade Elizabeth Steele 416-281-6007 After weekday Mass Lisa DiSera Joan Brooker Annette Crisson Doug Steele
PARISH SCHOOLS:			
Holy SpiritSignatureLight of ChristSignatureSt. JeromeSignature	905-727-5631 905-713-6813 905-727-5400 905-727-6593 905-727-5782	St. Maximillian Kolbe H.S. Cardinal Carter H.S. York Catholic District School Board	905-727-5652 905-727-2455 905-713-2711
PASTORAL TEAM Father Francis V McDevitt, Pastor Father Arthur Lee, Associate Pastor Sandra Fortini, Pastoral Associate Deacon Doug McManaman Deacon Pat Colangelo		<b>STAFF</b> Pamela Tsang, Office Administrator J.R. Lagman, Custodian	

#### WELCOME

If you are making Our Lady of Grace your parish, please register by contacting parish office 905-727-4594 or complete a registration form found in the foyer of the church.



Mass for the Intentions Week					
Mon. Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Neil Cachia			
Tues. Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Mr. & Mrs. RJ Reid			
Wed. Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Frank Boylan			
Thurs. Dec. 16 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Tomy Joseph			
Fri. Dec. 17 <sup>th</sup>	8am	+ Barbara Wittmer			
Sat. Dec. 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am	+ Kathleen Conway			

# ADVENT CONFESSIONS

In addition to every Saturday at 4 pm, we will have confessions on Tuesday December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 - 8:30 pm and Christmas Eve from 10 am to noon. We will include an examination of conscience in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT - THIS WEEK

Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm we will be having our Christmas Concert. Everyone is welcome to join us in the church for an evening of music. Registration is not required as it will be based on first come first seated. Additional seating will be available downstairs. There will be a free will offering towards the Capital Campaign.

# PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

For those who would like to for the coming year switch to pre-authorized can find the form on the parish website. Pre-authorized frees you from having to manage weekly collection as your designated amount of donation is withdrawn on a monthly basis. Preauthorized giving has been well embraced by the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace. We thank all who support the parish for their care and concern for the well being of our parish.

# CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS

It is time to make Christmas decorations for the parish Christmas tree. As in past years we only want homemade decorations. If the ornaments reflect your culture or home country all the better. The tree will be up on the 19th in the Narthex.

#### BLESSING OF BABY JESUS

On December 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 - 3:00 pm we will be blessing your nativity Baby Jesus. We invite you and your children to bring in this piece of your nativity set to the church on this day.

# CHRISTMAS "JINGLE JANGLE" RAFFLE HOSTED BY THE CWL

We would still like to fundraise for our Annual Charity of Choice: the Mobile Youth Services Van at the Canadian Mental Health Association. We will be raffling off 4 prizes on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm via our Facebook page. Tickets are \$2, 3 for \$5, 6 for \$10, 12 for \$20, etc. You can purchase tickets by sending an e-transfer to olgcwl@gmail.com and putting your name and how many tickets you would like to purchase in the message line. You can also purchase tickets using cash or cheque. To make arrangements call Lori at (905) 713-5340. Visit our website to buy tickets and check out the prizes at: http://olgauroracwl.org/jingle-jangle-raffle. This year's prizes include \$125 gift card for gas (2 prizes, Petro Canada and Esso), a "Wine and Dine" basket full of wine and other gourmet goodies including a gift card, and a "Spa in a basket" full of beauty and skincare products as well as a spa gift card.

Evening reflections continue this Monday at 7:30 pm. To register, please visit the CWL website at <u>http://www.olgauroracwl.org</u>.

# THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul would like to express our thanks for the ongoing support that we receive from parishioners. Your donations have allowed us to continue providing assistance to struggling individuals and families in our community.

Your donations are also helping to support our Christmas Assistance program, in partnership with Welcoming Arms. While pandemic related restrictions will have some impact on the way we deliver the program, we want to continue to bring joy to the many in our community who struggle throughout the year and especially at Christmas. This year we will be providing a generous amount of President's Choice gift cards to families, which will allow them to purchase the items that they are most in need of (whether it's food, clothing, toiletries, or toys). Loblaws provides us with a 5% discount on our bulk gift card order, which allows your =donation to go even further

SSVP donation envelopes are available at the back of the church, and donations can be placed in the SSVP Donation Box. Information on how you can make a donation via Interac E-Transfer is available on the Parish website.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers!

# CHILDREN'S MISSALS - SLOW MOVING

Children's Missals have arrived and can be purchased for \$5.00 each at the back of the church. There is a limited number available, so we encourage you to act now if you want a copy of this excellent book as a stocking stuffer.

# PARISH GIFTS

Leaflets for parish gifts are available at the doors.

# **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE**

#### Parish Confession

December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. with visiting priests. December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am to 12 noon

#### Christmas Eve Masses

Friday, December 24<sup>th:</sup> 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm and 10:00 pm (No midnight mass)

#### **Christmas Day**

Saturday December 25<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon (No 7:00 pm mass)

# Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon (No 7:00 pm mass)

#### Live Stream

Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm Christmas Day at 10:00 am Communion offered on Christmas Day at 11:15 am for those who participated from home.

# The Solemnity of Mary

Friday December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 pm Saturday January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am and 12:00 noon (No 5 pm mass)

# LUNCH TIME SUPERVISORS NEEDED

Light of Christ CES is looking for lunch time supervisors. If anyone is interested in being a paid lunchtime assistant at Light of Christ and an employee with the YCDSB, please contact the school office at 905-727-5400. It requires availability from 12:00 pm through 1:00 pm weekdays. Vulnerable sector check and vaccination declaration is required.

# POINSETTIAS

Once again, we invite you to bring in the poinsettias in remembrance of people who will not be with us at Christmas. Please leave the poinsettias in the upper Narthex by the Jesse Tree, and we will decorate closer to Christmas.

