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OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:15 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday – Friday 8:00 am
Saturday & Holidays 9:00 am
First Friday Adoration 12pm to 7pm Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 pm or by request

You're welcome to join us for the Rosary!

Monday – Friday 8:30 am
Saturday & Holidays 9:30 am

Baptism

Please contact the office for Enrollment forms

Marriage

12 months advanced notice required
Preparation course is a prerequisite

Do you feel called to Holy Orders or Religious Life?

Contact 416-968-0997 or vocationstoronto.ca

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Weekends & Statutory Holidays: Closed

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

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.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	George Martin
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Knights of Columbus	John Lyn
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Music Ministry	Dan Smith
Prayer Group	Edwin & Anita Andrade
Retrouvaille	torontoretrouvaille.com
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Lisa DiSera
Volunteer Screening	Maria Young
Welcome Table	Annette Crisson
Welcoming Arms	Doug Steele

PARISH SCHOOLS

Holy Spirit	905-713-6813
Light of Christ	905-727-5400
Our Lady of Grace	905-727-5631
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St. Joseph	905-727-5782
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Cardinal Carter H.S.	905-727-2455
York Catholic District School Board	905-727-1211

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions

Mon., Dec. 18 th	8am	+ Allan Quesnelle
Tue., Dec. 19 th	8am	+ Maria Grazia Williams
Wed., Dec. 20 th	8am	+ Patrick & Eulalie Kinney
Thu., Dec. 21 st	8am	+ Flynn & Brooks family
Fri., Dec. 22 nd	8am	+ Cecile & Hubert Thauvette
Sat., Dec. 23 rd	9am	+ Layla Samhiry, + Genevieve Ghanima, + Mary & Pat Boylan, + Val Karlison, + Celestino & Gloria-Monzon Yulo
	5pm	+ Janet Bonin
Sun., Dec. 24 th	8:15am	+ Frank Doris
	10am	+ Sergio Yap Sr.



Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent	Sat., Dec. 23 rd	5pm (Vigil Mass)
	Sun., Dec. 24 th	8:15am & 10am
Christmas Eve	Sun., Dec. 24 th	4pm (children's Mass), 6pm & 8pm
Christmas Day	Mon., Dec. 25 th	8:15am, 10am & 12noon (last Mass)
Feast of the Holy Family	Sat., Dec. 30 th	5pm (Vigil Mass)
	Sun., Dec. 31 st	8am, 10am & 12noon
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Sun., Dec. 31 st	5pm (Vigil Mass) NEW (no 7pm Mass)
	Mon., Jan. 1 st	8am, 10am & 12noon

**** Please Note: Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve/Day, Feast of the Holy Family & the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God are all Holy days of obligation.****



Office Closures

Dec. 22, 2023 – closes at noon;
Dec. 25 & 26, 2023 – closed;
Dec. 29, 2023 – closes at noon; &
Jan. 1, 2024 - closed



Eucharistic Adoration

Mon. - Fri., after the 8am Mass, the Rosary will take place during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 9am (Eucharistic Adoration also every first Friday of the month from 5pm to 7pm, followed by Benediction & Mass at 7pm).



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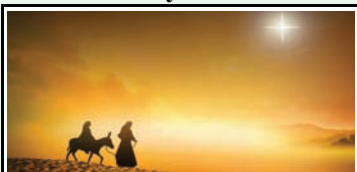
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Offertory Envelopes 2024

Kindly pick up your 2024 offertory envelopes from the back of the church in the narthex. This year, you will be using the same number as last year. The envelopes are in numerical order. In the event you can't remember your number, an alphabetical list has been provided to be of help; please ask a minister if you require assistance. Please DO NOT use your envelopes until the new year. Thank you.

Third Sunday of Advent

“It is necessary to understand that the whole of our life must be an 'Advent', a vigilant awaiting for the final coming of Christ.”



- St. Pope John Paul II

Schools	Rehearsal	Mass
Ecole Renaissance, Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Grace	Jan. 15, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 22, 2024 at 7pm
St. Jerome	Jan. 16, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 23, 2024 at 7pm
St. Joseph, Light of Christ, Our Lady of Hope	Jan. 17, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 24, 2024 at 7pm
Cardinal Carter, Country Day School, Dr. G.W. Williams, Good Shepherd, Hartman, Our Lady of the Annunciation, Our Lady of the Rosary, Regency Acres, Rick Hansen, St. Andrew's College, St. Elizabeth Seton, St. John Chrysostom, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Nicholas, Villanova, Wellington, Windham Ridge	Jan. 18, 2024 at 7pm	Jan. 25, 2024 at 7pm

Potted Christmas Flowers



We welcome your gift of potted Christmas flowers to decorate our Sanctuary. Please bring them starting this weekend up and until Dec. 21st. Kindly place them by the Jesse Tree in the upper narthex, and we will decorate closer to Christmas.

We thank you for your kindness.

St. Vincent de Paul Jesse Tree Program 2023



Our Jesse Tree is up in the narthex of the church and will remain there until Christmas. St. Vincent de Paul

Jesse Tree Program will once again support Rose of Sharon Newmarket, Street Haven, and the Good Shepherd Centre through financial support, gift cards, and warm winter ware. To participate, please select a tag from the tree and return your gift to the church at your convenience. Thank you for your continued support of this very important program, especially during these financially difficult times. God bless.

Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France



We will be attending a special celebration commemorating the apparitions and "Miracle of the Sun" of Our Lady of Fatima on Oct. 12th.

Led by Fr. John Bertao & Fr. Peter Choi
When: Oct. 10 – 21, 2024 (12 days)

Cost \$4,395.00 includes:

- ◆ Air transportation from Toronto (unless specified otherwise), incl. all taxes and surcharges
- ◆ Hotel accommodation 1st class or superior tourist class based on double occupancy (single supplement \$850).
- ◆ 2 meals daily (breakfast and dinner)
- ◆ All sightseeing as per itinerary, with an English-speaking guide
- ◆ All tips for drivers, guides, restaurants, and hotels.

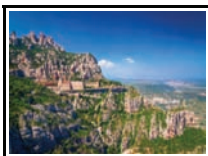
For more information and registration, Contact: 877-999-8868 or 416-444-6666.

Halina – ext. 315 or halina@ihtours.com;

Liliana – ext. 324 or liliana@ihtours.com;

Alex – ext. 317 or alex@ihtours.com.

You can also view trip details and register online at www.ihtours.com.



**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Christmas Assistance Program**



The Society of St. Vincent De Paul (SSVP) 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 throughout this past year. Your donations are also helping to support our SSVP Christmas Assistance program, which is run in partnership with Welcoming Arms. Through this program, we hope to bring a bit of joy to our neighbours in need, who struggle throughout the year and especially at Christmas. 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 credit card or Interac e-Transfer is available on the Parish website.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers

"Put yourself in God's hands, He abandons no one."
- St. André Bessette

Liturgical Publications

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2024 & it supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service by calling Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Make a matching gift to support mental health

Double the impact of your kindness by donating before Jan. 1, 2024 at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or at sharelife.org/donate.



Your support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need. Last year, ShareLife supporters like you enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Vocation Seeds

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you."

Are you one to be sent?

If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy,

Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at (416) 968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org.

For more information, go to www.vocationstoronto.ca.




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