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Feast of the Holy Family



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

5:00 pm Antonia & Michelina Maiolo R.I.P. - Vincenzo Maiolo & Family **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30** 9:00 am The People of the Parish 11:00 am Gerard Pumphrey R.I.P. - Family MONDAY. DECEMBER 31 New Year's Eve (No 9:00 a.m. Mass) 5:00 pm Available TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 New Year's Day 9:00 am Available 11:00 am The People of the Parish (No 7:00 p.m. Mass) WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2 9:00 am Available **THURSDAY, JANUARY 3** 7:00 pm In Thanksgiving for Vilma, Kristina, Donna & Sara **FRIDAY, JANUARY 4** 9:00 am Available **SATURDAY, JANUARY 5** 9:00 am Jim Collie R.I.P. 5:00 pm Peace Within the Family & the World - Vo-Nguyen Family **SUNDAY, JANUARY 6** 9:00 am The People of the Parish 11:00 am Lucinda Jesus & Maria Gomes R.I.P. - Cecilia Vicente & Family

Please pray for all the sick, especially Franklyn Tamaya.

Please pray for the family of God seeking eternal rest: that they may find light, happiness and peace, especially Antonio lannetta.

Pope's December Evangelization: *In the Service of Transmission of Faith* - That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Daily Readings Online

Parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto can now find the Canadian daily readings on their archdiocesan and parish websites. Working with our publishing partners at Living with Christ/Novalis, the Archdiocese of Toronto has been able to include this new feature on the www.archtoronto.org website and all parish websites within the archdiocesan website network. There are currently 159 parishes in the network.

Securing access to these online readings for the day - including the First Reading, Second Reading (when appropriate), Psalm and Gospel Reading is significant because the vast majority of daily readings found online are from the United States Lectionary. There are some key differences between the American and Canadian Lectionaries in translations, the arrangements of some readings and feast days, as well as some differences in the instructions for readers. By partnering with Living in Christ, we are ensuring website visitors will find the same readings they would hear in their local parish Mass.

The Daily Readings tab can be found under the Our Catholic Faith drop-down menu on the archdiocesan and parish websites within the archtoronto.org network.

TCDSB Kindergarten Registration 2019

Imagine the Possibilities: Junior Kindergarten in the Toronto Catholic District School Board provides children with a variety of learning experiences in a caring, faith based environment. TCDSB looks forward to welcoming new students for September 2019. Children born in 2015 are eligible for kindergarten. Registration options: Online: Parents can complete their application online, beginning at 10 a.m. on January 16, 2019, at SOAR.tcdsb.org, and follow up with a visit to the school to present required documents. In-person: Parents can register at their local school, with required documents beginning January 16, 2019 at 10 a.m.

Phone: 416-222-8282, ext. 5314 www.tcdsb.org/kindergartenregistration

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God January 1st

This feast recognized Mary as the physical parent of Christ, the God-Man defined at the Council of Ephesus in the 5th century. The third Mass of Christmas reflects the role of Mary in the Redemption, so her role has always been connected with the Christmas Mystery. Later from the 5th century to the 7th century, the feast was transferred to the Octave Day of Christmas, January 1.

Prior to the time that this feast occurred on January 1, New Year's Day was observed as a day of prayer to offset pagan practices, since there were many riotous pagan celebrations. In the 5th century until the Middle Ages it honoured Mary and her Divine Maternity. Then it was observed as the Octave of Christmas, which developed into the Feast of the Circumcision. From 1961 to 1969 the title changed back to the Octave of the Nativity. Finally in 1969 the ancient Marian character was restored, so that we have its present title. It is a Holy day of Obligation.

This Solemnity celebrates the part played by Mary in the Mystery of Salvation, exalts the singular dignity that this Mystery brings to the holy Mother, renews adoration to the newborn Prince of Peace, and implores from God, through Mary's intercession, the supreme gift of peace.

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I would like to extend a very special thank you to all who helped in any way with the

Christmas celebration, especially the Musicians, Lectors, Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers and Altar Servers.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped decorate the Church.

Thank you very much for your kind greetings, cards and various gifts over the holidays.

On behalf of our parish staff and myself, I would like to extend our best wishes for a blessed New Year.

New Year's Mass Schedule Feast of Mary, Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation

New Year's Eve - Monday, December 31 5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day - Tuesday, January 1 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Please note: The Feast of Mary, Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation, and Catholics are expected to attend Mass.



Please pick up your offertory envelopes for 2019. If you used envelopes last year there will be a box set for

you with the same number. If your current envelope number is 461 or higher you have been assigned a new envelope number for 2019. Please make sure you pick up only the box with your name on it. Please destroy any envelopes you may have from previous years. Since donations are posted by envelope number this will ensure that you receive the proper credit from your current envelope number for your income tax receipt. Using envelopes allows us to know that you are a practicing member of St. John the Evangelist Parish. It is important that we have a way of knowing you when you request baptism, marriage or letters of reference.



Weekly Offering (Dec 16)	\$3,725.70
Expenses (Dec 10 - Dec 16)	.\$6,997.28

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