

# St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

Rev. A. Maderak, Pastor

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Sheila Mills, Secretary

*prepare the way...*



# ADVENT



## Masses For The Week

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

5:00 pm Anton MacFarlane R.I.P. &  
Peduru & Anna Aseervatham R.I.P.  
- Patricia MacFarlane & Family

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

9:00 am The People of the Parish  
11:00 am Ivan Stekar R.I.P. - Stekar Family

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

9:00 am Vince & Josephine Del Gobbo R.I.P. &  
Dina & Alfredo Venere R.I.P.  
- Venere Family

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 *Christmas Eve*

5:00 pm Guido Borrelli R.I.P. - Borrelli Family  
12:00 am Tadeusz & Eugenia Maderak R.I.P.  
(No 7:00 p.m. Mass)

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 *Christmas Day*

9:00 am Ben Culotta R.I.P.  
- Bessie & Jack Culotta  
11:00 am The People of the Parish

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

7:00 pm Vincent Proctor R.I.P.  
- Brad & Cathy Swanek  
Judy Whitmell R.I.P.  
- Bev Atkins & Louise Atkins

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

9:00 am Vittorio, Vincenzo & Maria Fantauzzi &  
Franceschina Bifulchi R.I.P.  
- Luisa Fantauzzi

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

9:00 am Unannounced  
5:00 pm Samy Vandaiyar R.I.P.  
- Mildred Vandaiyar & Family

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

9:00 am The People of the Parish  
11:00 am Vincent Proctor R.I.P. - Stekar Family

### Pope's December Evangelization Pray

**Intention:** *The Future of the Very Young* - That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

## 2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Offertory envelopes for 2020 are now available for pickup in the church foyer. If you used envelopes this year there will be a box set for you with the same number. If you need assistance finding your box set of envelopes please see staff at the counter. Please make sure you pick up only the box with your name on it. 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.

As long as you paid income tax, using envelopes can be beneficial. Depending on the amount of income tax you paid and the amount you have contributed to charities, you may be eligible for up to 40% combined Federal and Provincial tax credit of the amount you gave to charities. Further information can be found at Canada Revenue Agency, [www.cra-arc.gc.c](http://www.cra-arc.gc.c).

Boxes of offertory envelopes for this year are still available. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please see staff at the counter in the church foyer. Please write the name to be used for your tax receipt and full address on the first few envelopes that you use.

Please continue to use your 2019 envelopes until the end of the year and then 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. Do not use 2020 offertory envelopes until the new year begins.

## Thank You

The Weston Area Emergency Support (Weston Food Bank) and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all the parishioners who donated a gift to the *Giving Tree* to help make Christmas special for the needy families within the parish community.

## Mass for Christmas 2019 & New Year 2020

### Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24  
5:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25  
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



**Peace  
On Earth**

### New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve - Tuesday, December 31  
Feast of Mary, Mother of God  
Holy Day of Obligation  
5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1  
Feast of Mary, Mother of God  
Holy Day of Obligation  
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

## Confirmation & First Communion Candidates

All Confirmation and First Holy Communion candidates, along with their family, are invited to take an active role during Mass by carrying up the offertory gifts at Sunday Mass. If you are interest, there is a sign-up sheet at the counter in the Church foyer for candidates and their family to sign up for which Mass time and date they would like to participate.



### **Offering**

Weekly (Dec 15).....\$2,891.55

Expenses (Dec 9 - Dec 15).....\$6,437.52

*Thank you for your contribution.*

## A Celebration of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Toronto

All are welcome! Special recognition for couples celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversaries in 2020. Everyone is required to register as seating is limited. Designated seating available for milestone anniversary couples only. Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at this special Mass. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish, 1148 Finch Ave., Pickering.

Registration and other important information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) or by calling 416-934-3400, ext. 523.

## EnCourage Toronto Support One Another in Christ

**EnCourage** is an apostolate which provides pastoral care for families and friends of people who experience same-sex attraction and/or gender dysphoria. Standing by the true teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, EnCourage members support one another and their loved ones through discussion, prayer and fellowship. To learn more, please phone 416-928-5094, or visit [www.CourageRC.org/for-families](http://www.CourageRC.org/for-families) or email [encouragetoronto@yahoo.com](mailto:encouragetoronto@yahoo.com).

## Volunteers Required

Birtright, a pro-life crisis pregnancy service, needs your help. Volunteers, men and women, are needed to assist those facing an unplanned pregnancy, to provide support and comfort as well as practical solutions. Training is provided. Please help us to "love them both...mother and child." For more information call 416-469-1111 or email [toronto@birtright.org](mailto:toronto@birtright.org).

## Christmas Office Hours

Monday, December 23, Tuesday, December 24 and Friday, December 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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