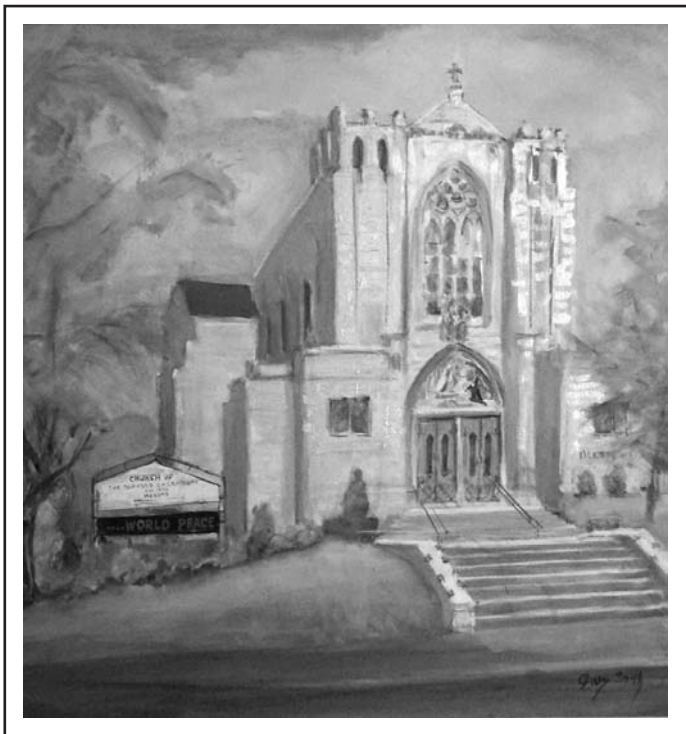


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Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929  
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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am  
(Children's Liturgy October – May 10:00 am Mass)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am

Public Holiday Mass: 10:00 am

First Friday Adoration: 9:00 am Mass: 12 Noon

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm (Loretto Room)

Sunday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm (Loretto Room)

Registration forms for the parish and all sacraments,  
as well as mass cards and religious items, are available  
in the Loretto Room after all weekend Masses. We  
also have a DVD lending library.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

All Parishioners are encouraged to register in our  
community. Registration forms are available in the  
Loretto Room on the weekends.

## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Larry Marcille - Pastor

Fr. Joseph Nguyen – Associate Pastor

Paul McDonald - Deacon

Sr. Johanna D'Agostino, IBVM

Sr. Mary DiGirolamo, IBVM

Joanna Manturowicz – Youth Minister/Sacramental Prep.

Rafal Bartosinski – Seminarian Intern

## PASTORAL STAFF

Julie Brett - Office Administrator

Paul Honeyford - Property Manager

Agnes Ahn - Bookkeeper

Lumen Fernandes - Part-Time Reception

Juliet Lobo - Part-Time Reception

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday—3:45 pm—4:25 pm

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism Request Forms are available in the Loretto Room.  
Baptisms are on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Marriage Request Forms are available in the Loretto  
Room after Mass. The form must be completed one  
year in advance of the wedding date.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you need a priest to visit someone who is ill at home  
please call the office to notify the Parish Priests.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

\* Lectors

\* Eucharistic Ministers

\* Ministers of Hospitality

\* Parish Women's Group

\* Development & Peace

\* Director of Music- Paul Jenkins 416-920-3341

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\* Heart & Soul Choir (10am) Sarah Martin &  
Joan McGivney

\* R.C.I.A. - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

\* R.C.I.C. - Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

\* Catechetical Program for Public & Private School Children

\* Outreach Programs ( Out of the Cold, Good Shepherd)

\* Knights of Columbus (1388 Council)

\* Eucharistic Marian Prayer Group - Mondays 5:30 pm

\* Children's Liturgy (10 am - must register)

\* Altar Servers

\* Sacristans

\* Marriage Preparation

\* BSC Youth Group

\* St. Vincent de Paul

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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## Communion Reflection

*A lesson from the trees.....*

Not long ago the trees were loaded with golden leaves. Though pretty to look at, they robbed me of the world beyond.

But now that the leaves have fallen I am able to look through the skeletal branches to the deep blue sky beyond.

Teach us, Good Lord,  
how to take care of our material needs  
without neglecting our spiritual needs;  
how to take care of ourselves  
without neglecting others;  
and how to live joyfully in this world  
without losing sight of the world to come.



*St. Joseph Vigil Lamp  
Burns for the intentions of  
Lucia Aedila*

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*St John the Evangelist Vigil Lamp  
Burns for the intentions of  
Those preparing for surgery*

## Masses of Intentions

**Monday** – Agnella & Conception Lobo (INT)/ Jean Gittins +

**Tuesday** – Mario Bazzocchi + / Lilybeth & Jodan Ignacio (INT)

**Wednesday** – Teresa & Norman Reid + / Li & Femy Ignacio +

**Thursday** – Ana Francissca & John Xavier D’Costa + / Josephine & Hipliot Fernandes +

**Friday** - Helen McDonald & Family (INT)/ William Keenan + / Artur Pina + / Belinda Fernandez (INT)/ Maria Di Pasquele (INT)/ Vincent Di Pasquele + / Ermelind Docimo +

## Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Rosemarie Chapeskie, Vince Pelletier

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> – SAVE THE DATE!** Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm we will celebrate Christmas in Italy at our parish. Michael Castaldo ([www.michaelcastaldo.com](http://www.michaelcastaldo.com)) will be at Blessed Sacrament to perform classic Christmas carols and Advent songs. Tickets are \$30/\$25 for seniors/students and are available in the parish office, the Loretto Room on weekends or on-line at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)

**The Angel Tree**—Our special tree is adorned with angels, each representing families less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting St. Paul’s School and the Good Shepherd Refuge. You are invited to select an angel from the Tree beginning this weekend and purchase gift certificates. Please leave them in the box under the tree by **Sunday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>** or bring to the parish office. For more information please call the parish office.



The **Out of the Cold** dinner program serving a hot dinner to those in need in our community is sponsored by Glenview Presbyterian, St. Leonard’s Anglican and Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. The program runs every Sunday from the first Sunday in November to last Sunday in March at the Glenview Presbyterian Church at 1 Glenview Avenue. The Blessed Sacrament Church is responsible for the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month. Volunteers are needed to prepare NUT FREE desserts that are easy to carry away like muffins, cookies, brownies, squares, etc. Desserts can be dropped off at Glenview Presbyterian Church on Sundays at 4pm during this period. In addition, donations for NEW socks, mittens, gloves, and undergarments are always welcome as well. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to this year’s Out of the Cold leaders. 2nd Sunday: Sandra Girard and Nina Spinosa at [ootc.secondsunday@gmail.com](mailto:ootc.secondsunday@gmail.com). 3rd Sunday: Ann Marie and Bill Rosenitsch [annmarieroz@gmail.com](mailto:annmarieroz@gmail.com).

**Blessed Sacrament Card Group** - Meet the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. Our next gathering will be on Thursday, December 20. All are welcome; there is an elevator to assist you to the parish hall.

**Rafal, our Seminarian, will give presentations on the Four Figures of Advent on Tuesday December 4, Tuesday, December 11 and Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm in the Loretto Room. All are welcome, refreshments will be served.**

*Scripture : Baruch 5.1-9, Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11, Luke 3.1-6*

# December 9, 2018

*Trust in the Lord forever! For the Lord is an eternal Rock. (Is 26.4)*

## Confirmation Classes

Classes are Wednesday's 4:30 – 5:30 pm, Classes are held in the parish hall. Classes are: ~~Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28,~~ **Dec. 12**, Jan. 30, Feb. 27 & Mar. 27. A mandatory teaching Mass will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 11:00 am.

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**Christmas Tree Sale!** - The 56th and 93rd Toronto Scout Troops are preparing for their major annual fundraiser: selling beautiful Ontario farm grown Christmas trees. The tree sale is one of the main fundraising activities for our local troop! Another new service this year - pre-order your tree! Just email us your favorite size (we have #1 Fraser firs in 7, 8, 9 and even 10 ft this year! Or if you prefer we offer some balsam firs in 7 and 8 ft) and we will send you the price info and answer all your questions in advance! Looking forward to hear from you at treesfromscouts@gmail.com or to see you at St Leonards! Thanks for supporting our Scouts and local tree business!

## Jeff Cavins "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible"

**Bible Study beginning Thursday, January 17, 2019 for 8 weeks (no class February 21).**  
**Contact Elisa Weaver for more information at [elisa.weaver@gmail.com](mailto:elisa.weaver@gmail.com) or the parish office.**

**2019 ENVELOPES** - Please pick up your 2019 envelopes at the back of the church. **PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE IF THERE IS AN ERROR WITH YOUR BOX NUMBER. Please DO NOT use any leftover envelopes from 2018 or any other year!**

**Recycle your outdated envelopes.** If you did not pick up your 2018 envelopes, your name was removed from the envelope list so please pick a new box up in the Loretto Room. If you would like to be an envelope user, please pick up a new box in the Loretto Room as well. Please write your name and address on the first few envelopes used so we can update the parish data for 2019. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

*Also pick up your 2019 parish calendar.*

## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### **Advent Day of Confession**

Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am – 1:00 pm & 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

For all other times please come to the parish office

### **Christmas Eve Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

(NO 8:30 am Mass)

*Children's Liturgy 4:30 pm*

Masses: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12 Midnight

### **Christmas Day Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

### **Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**

Mass: 10:00 am

### **Solemnity of Mary**

New Years Eve, Monday,

December 31<sup>st</sup>

(NO 8:30 am Mass)

Vigil Mass - 4:30 pm

### **New Year's Day, Tuesday,**

January 1<sup>st</sup>

Masses: 10:00 am & 11:30 am

(NO 8:30 am Mass)

### **Parish Office Christmas Hours**

Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> – Closed from noon to 2:30 pm

Closed Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at **noon**

Closed Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Closed Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>

Closed Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at **noon**

Closed Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

**ATTN: Altar Servers** - please sign up for the Mass that you will be serving at on Christmas and New Year's Day in the Loretto Room.



**ADVENT 2018! During the Holy Advent Season, we will have confessions from 11:00 – 11:15 am on the four Sundays. We have also begun our Prayer to St. Michael at the end of each Mass, which will be ongoing.**



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