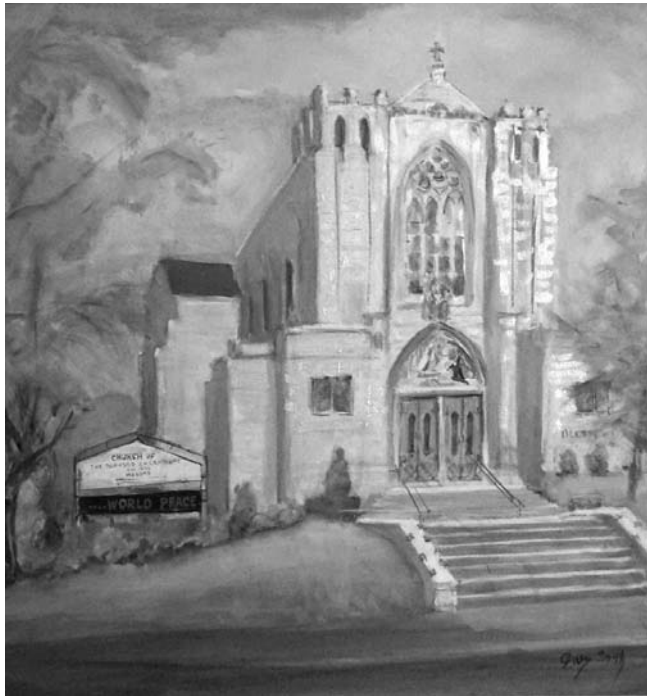


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*Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929  
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## SUNDAY MASSES

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 - 10:00 am,

Benediction - 10:00 - 10:15 am

## 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. Visit website or call the parish office.

## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Larry Marcille - Pastor

Deacon Bill Nalepka

Sr. Mary DiGirolamo, IBVM

Joanna Manturowicz – Youth Minister/Sacramental Prep.

Mirko Ljuba – 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

Oliver Lovekin - Videographer/Admim Loretto Room

June Rom-Roginski - Sacristan

Maria Thomas - Sacristan

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday—3:45 pm—4:25 pm

Or call the parish office for an appointment

## 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 Priest.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

\* Lectors

\* Eucharistic Ministers

\* Ministers of Hospitality

\* Parish Women's Group

\* Development & Peace

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

[cpauljenkins@mac.com](mailto:cpauljenkins@mac.com)

\* 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

\* Edge Youth Group

\* St. Vincent de Paul

Archdiocese of Toronto - 416-934-0606

[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

Blessed Sacrament School - 416-393-5226

Principal - Richard Walo

Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

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Vocations - [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

Vatican - [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

# Gaudete Sunday - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent



## Communion Reflection

Joy.....

There is a clear note of joy in today's liturgy. Joy is a blend of laughter and tears. It consists in having a love affair with life. It is having a heart aglow with warmth for all one's companions on the road of life. It is looking for the happiness that comes in small packages, knowing that big packages are few and far between. It is making the most of the present, enjoying what is at hand right now. Joy is love bubbling over into life. And it can coexist with pain. Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace, has taken up residence in our hearts.

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

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*St John the Evangelist Vigil Lamp  
Burns in memory of  
All Souls in Purgatory*

## Mass Intentions

**Monday** – Corwyn & Catherine Ophelders (INT)  
**Tuesday** - Cole Kay-Meltzer +  
**Wednesday** – Joanne Maddeford + / De Pasquale Family +  
**Thursday** – Eddrin Sequeira +  
**Friday** - Jean Watson + / Sr. Mary Di Girolamo (INT)

## Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Jen Blackmore-Cammaert, Guiditta (Judy) Carolli,  
Matteo Di Folco, Kenneth Field

Please call the parish office to have a name added (or removed) to the sick list.

You **MUST** use Eventbrite to book tickets for the **Weekend Masses** at Blessed Sacrament

You **MUST** book your seats at <https://www.eventbrite.ca>

Link is also on the home page of our website

[www.blessedsacramenttoronto.ca](http://www.blessedsacramenttoronto.ca)

(please do not book a seat if you are not going to attend)

Private Prayer is available on Tuesday's from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Wednesday's from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Saturdays from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm and Sunday's from 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Weekday Masses are at 8:30 am - no need to register

On all other weekdays the Yonge Street doors will open at 8:00 am and close at 9:30 am

**Parish Office – is open Tuesday & Wednesday by appointment only.**  
**Reconciliation/Confession – Please call for an appointment during this Covid crisis.**

## Advent is a time of waiting...

During the Sundays of Advent our Presider and Ministers will take their positions 5 minutes before Mass begins, to symbolize our wait for the Lord. Also, the church moves from darkness to light during the opening hymn.

**The Sr. Johanna Memorial Angel Tree**—Our special tree is adorned with angels, each representing families less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting the St. Francis Table for street people 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, December 19th** or bring to the parish office. For more information please call the parish office.



*Scripture : Zephaniah 3.14-18a, Philippians 4.4-7, Luke 3.10-18*

## December 12, 2021

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for Us – Feast Day December 12<sup>th</sup>

### First Reconciliation, First Communion Classes

Classes are Tuesday's 4:30-5:30 pm. **At this time ALL CLASSES WILL BE DONE VIRTUALLY pending direction from the Province and the Archdiocese.** Tuesday Class dates: ~~Dec. 7~~, Dec. 21, Jan. 4, Jan. 18, Feb. 8, Feb. 22, Mar. 8, Mar. 22, Apr. 5, Apr. 19, May 3, May 17

**First Reconciliation – Saturday, February 5, 2022 at 10:00am**

**First Communion – Sunday, May 29, 2022**

### Confirmation Classes

Classes are Tuesday's 6:30-7:30 pm **At this time ALL CLASSES WILL BE DONE VIRTUALLY pending direction from the province and the Archdiocese.** Tuesday Class dates: ~~Dec. 7~~, Dec. 21, Jan. 4, Jan. 18, Feb. 8, Feb. 22, Mar. 8, Mar. 22, Apr. 5, Apr. 19, May 3, May 17

**Confirmation Retreat - Saturday, May 28, 2022**

**Confirmation date – Thursday, June 2, 2022**

**Students are required to participate in all classes and the Confirmation Retreat.**

Visit the Archdiocese of Toronto's website [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) where you can find a listing of parishes that livestream the Mass, including St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. The Daily Mass is also televised on **Salt+Light TV, EWTN and VisionTV among other locations.**

Our Mass is live-streamed at 8:30 am each Friday morning and on Saturday's at 4:30 pm. We post Mass each weekend to our YouTube channel. You can click the button below to view our YouTube channel and subscribe to it. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9WJE6kleV-eY7-8j-Qbag>

**Sunday Evening Prayers :** Each Sunday we pray Evening Prayer (Vespers) on Zoom. The meeting will be online at 6:45 to say hello and we finish by about 7:15. Each week Deacon Bill will send out a link via Flocknotes with the prayers and music. Please email/call the parish office to get on the email list.

**Parish Envelopes** – Please pick up your 2022 parish envelopes at the back of the church. A big "THANK YOU" to all our parishioners and friends who support us by their generosity and presence. Free parish calendars are also available. If you would like to purchase a missal please go to the Loretto Room – they are \$5 each.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who answered the Knitting Group's appeal for donations to Moosonee-Hearst diocese. This year, we sent 14 cartons to the north, gently used and new clothing, new hats, mitts, gloves, scarves, socks and afghans as well as church vestments. A special thank you to those many knitters in the parish who gave their time to produce such beautiful creations and to those who made financial donations, without which we could not have mailed these items to the North. All who answered our appeal shared in this seasonal spirit of giving. The members of the Knitting Group wish all our fellow parishioners many blessings for a Happy Christmas.

**Journey together as a Family Through Advent.** Gather together as frequently as possible in the evenings to Light up the Family Advent Wreath. Each week there is a theme for your family to follow: Week 1 – Hope, Week 2 – Share, Week 3 – Joy, Week 4 – Love An Advent Prayer - Jesus, – a gift of love, a gift of grace, a gift to share in every place.

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> – 1:00 pm – Concert for Covenant House (Free will offering).

Renowned organist, Alfraaz Mulji and our own Robert Pilon

Registration on Eventbrite begins Monday, December 6 at 9:00 am





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