# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

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## **PASTORAL TEAM**

Fr. Larry Marcille - Pastor
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Deacon Bill Nalepka
Sr. Mary DiGirolamo, IBVM
Joanna Manturowicz – Youth Minister/Sacramental Prep.
Fr. Constantin Siarapis - Priest in Residence



**ADVENT** 

## 4th Sunday of Advent

### MUSIC FOR CHOIR AND CANTOR MASSES

Numbers refer to blue WAA hymnal unless otherwise indicated.

Prelude: Noël Breton - Charles Quef

Noël Vosgien - Jean Bouvard

Entrance hymn: 22 Come, thou redeemer of the

earth

Mass Ordinary: 505A, 508, 509, 512, 513 Psalm 80 response: Restore us, O God; Let your

face shine, that we might be saved.

Offertory: 21 Saviour of the nations, come Choir Mass: Ave Maria - Johannes Ockeghem Communion: 19 O come, O come Emmanuel Choir Mass: Ecce virgo concipiet - Cristobal

Morales

Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and his name will be called wonderful, Mighty God. Upon the throne of David and above his kingdom he will remain forever, and his name will be called Wonderful, Mighty God.

[From Isaiah 7:14b and Matthew 1:23]

Concluding hymn: 5 Lo! He comes with clouds

descending

Postlude: Omnipotens sermo tuus, Op. 48, No. 2 -

Marcel Dupré

## Advent is a time of waiting

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

## **Advent & Christmas Mass Schedule**

## Wednesday, December 18th

Advent Day of Confession

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

## Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24th

Children's Mass 4:00 pm

Masses: 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 am (Midnight)

Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

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

Boxing Day - Thursday, December 26th

Mass: 10:00 am

New Year's Eve – Tuesday, December 31st

Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1st

Masses: 10:00 am, 11:30 am

## THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

MICAH 5.2-5A, HEBREWS 10.5-10, LUKE 1.39-45

## **VIGIL LAMPS**

St. Joseph Vigil	St. John Vigil Lamp
Antonietta Ferrante (D)	Olga Furac (D)

## MASS INTENTIONS – Dec. 23 – Dec. 29

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Mon. 23	Cosimo Pusateri (D),	
	Jack Fennell (D)	
Tues. 24	Christmas Eve, Mass for the people	
Wed. 25	Christmas Day, Mass for the people	
Thurs. 26	Anita Dignan (D)	
Fri. 27	Helen Zelinka (D)	
Sat. 28		
4:30 PM	Catherine Chang (INT)	
	Joseph & Lena Fabiano (D)	
Sun. 29		
8:30 AM	Mass for the people	
10:00 AM	Serafina Faria (D)	
11:30 AM	Marcus Gibbons (D)	

## PLEASE KEEP THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rosemarie Chapeski. Guiditta (Judy) Carolli, Alicia Mathlin, Alan Crimi, Mary-Anne Grobin, Kenneth Field, Eric Seidel, Julie Jones, Vida Lahajnar, Maria Martins, Emily Wright, Paula Tarantino, Robert Walford, Crystal Pinero, Lauren McDermott, Bonnie Brady, Anne-Marie Mullen, Tom Voisey, Deirdre MacLeod, Joe Cosentino

Please call the parish office to add or remove a name on the list. Thank you!

### **VOCATIONS**

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest, deacon or religious to carry the Good News of God's great Love? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

The 11:30 am Solemn High Mass on Sunday morning is live streamed each week.

God's Blessings on our Homebound Parishioners.

We post Mass each weekend to our YouTube channel. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9WJE6kleV- eY7-8j-Qbag

## December 22, 2024

"Here am I, the servant of the Lord: let it be done to me according to your word." (Luke 1.38)

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I take this occasion to invite each one of you to find an opportunity over this Christmas Season to spend some quality time with family and good friends. Sometimes we must be the ones who make this happen!

To those whose family has someone in the hospital over Christmas, be assured of our prayers and good wishes to return to full health.

On behalf of Fr. Prince, Deacon Bill, Deacon Joel and our visiting priests, Msgr. Sam, Fr. Raymond, Fr. Frank, and the entire staff of Blessed Sacrament we wish you a Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year of 2025.

May the coming of the Prince of Peace bring peace and joy to our troubled world today.

The official countdown has begun for next year. In 2026, we will celebrate 100 years as a vibrant and faithful community of believers in the Eucharist.

God bless every one of you, as we give thanks to our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament for bringing Christ the light of the world, to our darken world. Deo Gratias! Fr. Larry

## **The Sr. Johanna Memorial Angel Tree:**

Our special tree is adorned with angels, each representing those less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting the St. Francis table and the Good Shepherd Ministries. You are invited to select an angel from the tree and purchase gift cards. Please leave your gift in the wooden boxes by the side doors or bring it to the parish office. Please remember Sr. Johanna, as she began this gift of giving and continues to be our inspiration for this tree. Thank you!

Youth Volunteer: If there is anyone who is in high school or is a young adult who would like to volunteer with our Youth Ministry this year, please contact our office or Youth Minister, Joanna.





## **CATECHISM 2024/2025**

Joanna Manturowicz is our Youth Minister/Sacramental Preparation Coordinator imanturowicz@archtoronto.org

**Communion Classes** –Tuesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – Dec. 10, Jan. 7 & 21, Feb. 4 & 18, March 4 & 25, April 8 & 22, May 6 & 20, 2025

First Reconciliation Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025 at 10:00 am

First Communion Ceremony Date: Sunday, June 1, 2025 at 2:30 pm

**Confirmation Classes** –Wednesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – <del>Dec. 11</del>, Jan. 8 & 22, Feb. 5 & 19, Mar. 5 & 26, Apr. 9 & 23, May 7 & 21

**Retreat Date** – Saturday June 7, 2025 at 11:00 am – 5:30 pm (Mass at 4:30 pm)

**Confirmation Ceremony Date:** Sunday, June 8, 2025 at 2:30 pm

Catechism Registration has already taken place. Please come to the parish office to register your child. Only a parent can register their child. We ask that you fill out the registration form, attach a copy of the Baptism certificate (even if they were baptized at Blessed Sacrament). Administrative Fee: \$150 paid by cash or cheque.

## BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL 2025 SACRAMENT DATES

First Reconciliation: Thursday May 22, 9:45 AM. First Communion: Sunday May 25, 2:30 PM.

Confirmation Retreat: Wednesday May 21, 2:30PM

Confirmation: Thursday May 29 7:00 PM

If you are attending Blessed Sacrament Catholic School and would like to register for the Sacraments, please call the school at 416-393-5226.

## **Parish Office Holiday Hours**

Monday, December 23: 8am to 4pm (Open)
Tuesday, December 24: 8am to 12pm (Open)
Wednesday, December 25: Closed
Thursday, December 26: Closed
Monday, December 30: 8am to 4pm (Open)
Tuesday, December 31: 8am to 12pm (Open)
Wednesday, January 1: Closed
Thursday, January 2: 8am to 4pm (Open)



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