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**December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**First Sunday of Advent**

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Daily Mass Schedule

**Monday to Saturday 9:00am**

Fridays

**Holy Hour 6:00pm**

**Mass 7:00pm**

Adoration Chapel

**Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm**

**Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm**

Sunday Eucharist

**Saturdays 5:00pm**

**Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am,**

**11:00am, 12:30pm and**

**2:00pm - *Spanish Mass***

Reconciliation

**Fridays 6:00pm - 6:45pm**

**Saturdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm**

**My revealing Lord, I pray that I will  
always know Your will and be led  
only by Your gentle but  
unmistakable promptings of grace.  
Please lead me, dear Lord, so that I  
will be perpetually prepared for Your  
glorious and final coming the  
moment it arrives.**

***Jesus, I trust in You.***

***My Catholic Life***

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**Office Hours:**

**Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays**

9:30am to 5:00pm

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**

9:30am to 8:00pm

**Note:** Office is closed for lunch from 1pm to 2pm

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

**Monday to Friday**

9:30am to 8:00pm

**Saturdays**

9:30am to 4:00pm



# MASS Intentions

(At time of printing)

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dec 8<sup>th</sup>

## Monday - Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>

*Ferial*

9:00 am - Mass

• Norbert D'Souza †

## Tuesday – Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>

*St. Francis Xavier*

9:00 am - Mass

• Simon Hecks †

## Wednesday - Dec 4<sup>th</sup>

*St. John Damascene*

9:00 am - Mass

- Gerard McCauley †
- Michael Birmingham †
- Leah Rybka †
- Felicitas Peteros †
- Gloria Brown (SI)

## Thursday - Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

*Ferial*

9:00 am - Mass

• Bernard Nazareth †

## Friday - Dec 6<sup>th</sup>

*St. Nicholas*

9:00 am - Mass

• Kent Webster †

7:00 pm—Mass

• Varghese Polakkattil †

## Saturday - Dec 7<sup>th</sup>

*St. Ambrose*

9:00 am - Mass

- Antonio Palhetas †
- Francisco Frial †
- Mary-Ann Noronha †
- Dennis & Ida Machado †
- Stephen & Maxcy D'Souza †
- Emmanuel Joseph (SI)
- Mannah Fhatima (SI)
- Maryse Thamby Family (SI)
- Zahra Noronha (SI)

## Sunday - Dec 8<sup>th</sup>

*Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary*

2:00 pm - Spanish Mass

• Ausencio Vera (SI)



Let us Pray

For the Sick in our Community  
For the Recently Deceased

# Parish Life

## Sacrament of Confirmation Registration

If your child is a Baptized Catholic and you would like him/her to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please click on the link below or scan the QR Code to register: <https://forms.office.com/r/Nr1aUGJ968>



Your registration is not complete until you submit your child's baptismal certificate and the \$50.00 program fee at one of the parent meetings

## Sacrament of Confirmation Parent/Guardian Information Sessions



If you have registered your child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, you must attend one of the following parent information sessions:

### Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

*The information sessions are for parents/guardians only*

## 2025 Sunday Offertory Envelopes are Available Now!

What you should know:

1. Pick up any box at one of the Church's exits.
2. Commence using your new envelopes on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
3. Update your information by filling in the Information Card and your Sunday envelopes for each of the next three Sundays.
4. The number on the box you chose is your new number for the entire year and will be the number used to issue your tax receipt at the end of 2025.
5. **PLEASE** - destroy all envelopes from previous years. As of January 1<sup>st</sup> you won't be registered under any other number - only your new 2025 number.



## The 2024 Coats for Kids Program was a Great Success!

Thanks to the generosity of the Parishioners of St. Mary's, the Knights of Columbus distributed 49 coats to the elementary school children in our community. The need this year was consistent with the need of 46 from 2022, but down from the record requests of 82 we had in 2023.

## Keep Christ in Christmas Lawn Signs and Car/Fridge Magnets

After all Masses on the weekend of **December 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>**, the Knights of Columbus will be selling Keep Christ in Christmas items in the Parish Hall during the Fellowship Sunday. This year they have a new sign design by the son of one of the brother Knights as well as a small quantity of the previous design. Lawn signs are \$20.00 and car/fridge magnets are \$7.00.



## 2025 Misales en Español a la Venta!

Los Misales en Español estan disponibles despues de cada Misa Dominical en la entrada de la Iglesia. Costo por Misal es de **\$10.00 (Cash)**



## CWL Religious Articles Store

Advent calendars, wreaths, and candles are now available in the store. There is also a selection of Christmas cards that reflect the true meaning of the season.

**The 2025 Sunday Missals are in!  
Cost: \$7.00.**



## The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of December

**For Pilgrims of Hope** ~ Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**Thank you for your Donation!**

November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regular Collection: **\$ 10,249.86**

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## Flowers To Decorate Our Church This Christmas

This Christmas season, we are asking our parishioners to help in our Christmas decorations by offering to bring Red Poinsettias, Christmas Cacti or potted flowers for the Church. If you wish to dedicate your flowers to someone who has passed away, please put the name in the pot. Please drop off your Poinsettias from **Dec 14<sup>th</sup> to Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> behind the altar**. Thank you for your generosity.



*God Bless, - The Liturgical Decoration Team*

## Food Drive for the Knights Table



Helping To Alleviate Hunger in Peel Region

The weekend of **December 7 & 8**, The CWL will be collecting food items for the Knights Table food bank. You can bring non-perishable items to the hall during Fellowship Sunday after or before each Mass. Protein items are needed (e.i. canned tuna, salmon, ham etc.)

*Thank you for your kindness!*

## Family Christmas Project Walmart Gift Cards



St. Mary's Parishioners are generous in supporting families in need in our community at Christmas time. If you are able to support a family this Christmas, please purchase Walmart gift cards and **drop them off at the church office during office hours or give them to Fr. Peter, Fr. Martin, Deacon Franciscus or Deacon Doug after any of the Sunday Masses**. Typically, a \$50.00 gift card supports the purchase of a child's gift. A \$200.00 gift card will be help towards the purchase of groceries for a family. Gift cards will be distributed to families in need.

***Please note, purchase of Walmart gift cards are not eligible for a tax receipt***

*Thank you for your kindness!*



## Handicraft Holy Land Christians



On the weekend of **December 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>**, we will welcome our special guest Paul from Sebastien Cardinal's team, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. May God Bless you for your generosity, for you help and for your prayers."

**Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted.**

You can visit and support us at

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



## CWL Christmas Social

All CWL ladies are invited to our 2024 Christmas Social. Come gather with other CWL members, we will serve lunch and treats and play games. Senior members and longtime members will receive a special recognition.

**When: Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 12 noon to 3 pm**

**Where: St. Mary's Hall**



Dress Code: Christmas Colours

What to bring: We will be collecting protein items (canned tuna, salmon, ham etc.) for the Knights Table



## GLORIA! St. Michael's Choir School Christmas Concert at Massey Hall Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM

A magical blend of secular and sacred choral repertoire to usher in this Christmas season. A Toronto holiday tradition, this is the Choir School's 59th annual Christmas concert, packed with exceptional works including Vivaldi's Gloria, Carol of the Bells, and The Star Carol. With close to 300 voices, 5 choirs consisting of students, and alumni, taking the stage, this year's programme is sure to be one of the best yet!

Tickets are now available at [www.masseyhall.com](http://www.masseyhall.com)

Please use Promo Code: STARLIGHT.

For more information, please call 416-397-6367.



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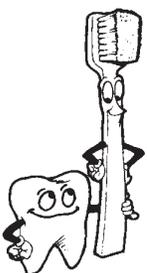
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