All Saints' Parish

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PARISH CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Andrzej Glaba – Pastor Rev. Paul Bégin – In Residence

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Holidays, Saturday & Sunday:** Office is closed

PARISH STAFF:

Secretary: Carmenza Loaiza Ext. 0
Accountant: Lisa Maccarone Ext. 9
Youth Minister: Anna Betro Ext. 7

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. (Italian) 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Daily Masses:

Monday - Saturday: 8:15 a.m. Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. **First Friday of the Month:** 5:00 p.m.

Last Friday of the Month: Canceled until further notice.

SACRAMENTS:

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Office.

Baptism Infants: Please call the Office 3 months in advance for an appointment, instructions and Preparation Class.

Baptisms (Children age 4 - 7 only) - **First Communion - Confirmation - Youth Ministry:** Please contact Anna Betro at 416-244-3066 Ext. 7 or 1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):

Monday to Friday from 7:30 am to 8:00 am, Saturday from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm or by appointment. Please contact the office or check the bulletin.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call the office for an interview with the Priest one year before planning your wedding date and to register for the course once a year in February.

Funerals: Please contact the office. The Funeral Liturgy is on our website under Our Ministries-Liturgical-Funeral Liturgy.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of the month 3:00-5:00 p.m. (Please Check the bulletin)

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Rosary Apostolate: Sunday 7:30a.m (Italian) 9:00a.m (English) Joe Gussoni - jmgussoni@rogers.com

Bible Study Group: Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Lucy Furbacher - lucyfurb@hotmail.com Teresa Meffe - teresa.meffe@gmail.com

Queen of All Saints' Prayer Group: Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Dolores Miccio - dolo.miccio@gmail.com

Italian Prayer Group: Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Vanna Pintus - 416-236-0094 Teresa Meffe 416-985-7003



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Nick & Mariangela Mossa - nick.mossa@bellnet.ca **Music Ministry:** Brian Bonnici - 416-522-5205

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St. Vincent De Paul: Neighbours in need within our catchment area, please leave your name, address & phone number at 416-244-3066 Ext. 6.

Ushers: Teresa Meffe - teresa.meffe@gmail.com

Youth Ministry: Anna Betro - mbetro@archtoronto.org

Virtual Recommendations:

Franca Gallucci & Domenic Di Giacomo, Virtual All Saints' Guest Speaker Recommendations. Outreach Ministry. allsts.guestspeaker@gmail.com

Please subscribe to receive the bulletin directly from our website, by clicking and following the instructions to sign-up: https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/sign-up/

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any sacraments or any other services. Registration forms are available in the church foyer or in the parish office.



Third Sunday of Advent December 17th, 2023

Rejoice always. (1 Thessalonians 5:16) When St. Paul tells us

to "rejoice always" (1 Thessalonians 5:16), it might seem that he is asking the impossible. How can we *always* feel joyful? Isn't this too much to ask, even today, on Gaudete (or "Rejoice") Sunday?

Not according to St. Thomas Aquinas! He taught that "joy is caused by love" (*Summa Theologiae* II-II, q. 28). As we experience God's love for us, we grow in love for him—and this exchange of love is what produces joy in us. St. Paul also knew that God's love was the secret to joy, which is why he follows up his exhortation to "rejoice always" with specific steps that we can take to experience his love more deeply:

First, *pray without ceasing* (1 Thessalonians 5:17). When we open our heart to God throughout the day, he fills it with his very self. The experience of his unconditional love and unending mercy ignites our love in return.

Second, in all circumstances give thanks (1 Thessalonians 5:18). Gratitude also deepens our love for God, especially when we reflect on who he is and what he has done for us. And in this Advent season, whatever our circumstances, we can thank God for sending his Son to earth to become one of us.

Finally, do not quench the Spirit (1 Thessalonians 5:19). In his Letter to the Romans, St. Paul tells us that "the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (5:5). If we want more joy in our lives, we can ask the Spirit to stir up the love of God in our hearts. And when he does, we can express it by praising him—which will, in turn, increase our joy.

Joy is not just for Gaudete Sunday; it's for every day. So each day, follow Paul's advice: turn to the Lord in prayer, thank him for all he has done for you, and ask him to fill you with more of his Spirit. Then praise him—and let your spirit soar!

Lord, shower me with your love today so that my heart swells with joy!"

(Excerpt from The WORD Among Us)



ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Our priests will be available for confessions this **Tuesday**, **December** 19th from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm. All are

welcome to come and celebrate the gift of God's forgiveness. **Daily Confessions:** Monday to Saturday from 7:30 am to 8:00 am, Saturday from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm or by appointment. Please contact the office for more information.

Advent and Christmas Mass schedule:

https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/advent-christmas-schedule-2022/

MASS INTENTIONS

December 18th to December 23rd

Mon., December 18h, St. Gatian

Antonietta, Fiorina & Giovanni Panetta Graziano Bottos Antonino & Anna Comella Rennie Ter Bogt

Tue., December 19th, Bl. Urban V

Maria Pina & Fernando Carinci Anita Meleca Lucia Caravaggio

Wed., December 20th, Sts. Abraham, Isaac & Jacob

Grazia Maida Rosati Family Francesco & Gustina Cassano

Thur., December 21st, St. Peter Canisius

Pauline & Edward Friel
In Thanksgiving: Dominic Trimboli & Family
Janet MacRae

Fri., December 22nd, Bl. Gratian

Antonio & Maria Meffe & Perrino & Meffe Families Saverio & Sisa Betro Nicola & Carmina Di Ilio & Family

Sat., December 23rd, St. John of Kanty

Frank & Alfredo Cairo Maria Do Carmo Moço & Jose Da Silva Moço Teresa & Armanda Correia



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANETTONI & TORRONI

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettoni and Torroni in the parish hall after all Masses on the

weekend of **December 16/17.** Please come and support this annual sale!



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR - OFFICE HOURS:

The parish office will be open **ONLY from 9am to 12:30pm** on the following dates:

December 22, 27, 28, 29. **The Office will be <u>CLOSED</u>** on the following holidays: Monday December 25, Tuesday December 26, 2023, and on Monday January 1, 2024.

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org or visit www.vocationstoronto.ca







Little Saints - for students in Grades 2 – 4

<u>Date:</u> Friday January 19, 2024 @ 6:45 – 8 PM - Hall Title: Following in His Footsteps

EDGE – Raising Saints - for students in Grades 5 – 8

<u>Date</u>: Friday January 12, 2024 @ 7 – 8:30 pm.

Title: For the Love of God



All youth in Grades 2 – 12 are invited to participate in the **Christmas Pageant at the Dec. 24**th **Mass at the 5 pm.** If interested, please contact Ms. Anna at mbetro@archtoronto.org.

There will be one rehearsal on December 16 from 3-4:30 pm. Please reply by December 7 if interested.

Children's Liturgy will wrap up on for Children

Dec. 17th at the 11:30am Mass and resume in the New Year on Jan. 7th, 2024. Merry Christmas!

There is an exciting opportunity, which has the power to amplify the impact of your compassion. From now through December 31, your contribution to ShareLife will be matched dollar-for-dollar by an anonymous donor, up to \$500,000.00. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$153,000.00. Thus far we have collected \$140,339.00. Please support our Campaign at https://sharelife.org/donate/ or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for generosity.

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund Update

On December 12, 2023, the Archdiocese of Toronto announced the first phase of funding as part of our \$6 million commitment to the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF). Through the tremendous generosity of parishioners throughout the archdiocese, including our own parish, more than \$2.7 million has been directed through the IRF to organizations and projects committed to promoting healing and reconciliation for communities and families.

Thank you for your continued prayers and ongoing support as we journey together on the path of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. To learn more, visit www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation



December Program

Advent: A Hopeful Expectation Thursday 9 pm and repeated Saturday 2 pm on <u>radiomaria.ca</u> click

"ON AIR" then "Radio Maria Canada – Toronto" Join parishioners Mariangela and Nick as they share the meaning and significance of the Advent candles: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love as we prepare to celebrate the coming of Jesus on Christmas day. They will also talk about the role of Mother Mary in this season. They end with a year-end review recap of all 12 shows this past year.



Baby Jesus Birthday Party 2023!

Please join us in the celebration and reflection on the birth of Jesus! Wed. December 27, 2023

Where: All Saints' Church, Parish Hall

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Light refreshments (pizza & veggies) will be served.

Please RSVP at babyjesusparty2023@gmail.com
with the name and the age of the child/children attending.



Annual Christmas Gift Card Drive

From the bottom of our hearts, we want to thank everyone for your contributions to the Christmas Gift Card drive. Thanks to you, we supported

more than 45 families in need within our community in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you for your kindness and generosity! Father Andrzej Glaba.

Centro Scuola Nativity Scene Exhibit

All are invited to view and learn at the annual 'Centro Scuola Nativity Scene Exhibit' representing different parts of Italy and the World! *Where:* Columbus Centre 901 Lawrence Ave. West, North York, M6A 1C3 (Upstairs Gallery). *When:* December 11th, 2023 to January 3rd, 2024, Monday to Friday 10:00am-5:00pm. *Cost:* FREE!

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS:

Saturday, December 23, 2023 (Sunday Vigil)

5:00 pm English Family Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Italian Mass 9:30 am English Mass 11:30 am English Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023 - Christmas Eve

5:00 pm English Family Mass 10:30 pm Choir Singing of Carols 11:00 pm Solemn Midnight Mass

Monday, December 25, 2023 - Nativity of Our Lord

8:00 am Italian Mass 9:30 am English Mass 11:30 am English Mass

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATIONS:

Saturday, December 30, 2023 (Sunday Vigil)

5:00 pm English Family Mass

Sunday, December 31, 2023 - Feast of the Holy Family

8:00 am Italian Mass 9:30 am English Mass 11:30 am English Mass

Sunday, December 31, 2023 – New Year's Eve

5:00 pm English Mass

Monday, January 1, 2023 - Solemnity of the Virgin Mary Mother of God

8:00 am Italian Mass 9:30 am English Mass 11:30 am English Mass

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