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*Feast of the Holy Family*



**The Holy Family  
of Jesus, Mary,  
And Joseph  
Sunday, December  
29<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

*Did you not know that I  
must be in my Father's house?  
(Luke 2:49)*

Isn't today's Gospel comforting? If the Son of God, his sinless mother, and his saintly foster father misunderstood each other, there is hope for all of us!

As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, we hear the story of Mary and Joseph finding Jesus at the Temple, perhaps the most relatable anecdote from Jesus' life. Twelve-year-old Jesus stays behind instead of leaving Jerusalem with his family. His parents anxiously search for him everywhere. Finally, they discover him sitting in the Temple among the teachers, speaking with a wisdom beyond his years. Mary and Joseph voice their worry, but Jesus replies, "Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" (Luke 2:49). Of course they didn't know! How could they? Jesus was a mystery, even to his parents.

Luke tells us that Mary and Joseph took Jesus home, still not understanding what had happened (2:50). How long would it take for them to grasp the mystery of who their son was? They probably spent many years praying and pondering the Scriptures under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. But despite their incomplete understanding, they lived faithfully, loved each other patiently, and trusted in God's plan for their family.

It's not easy to love and understand the people in your family—and it's not easy to keep trusting God in the confusing times. But take heart: he is with your family! You have received the same Holy Spirit that lived in Joseph, Mary, and Jesus. That Spirit can give all of you gifts of understanding and love, of patience and forbearance. You may not be the perfect family, but you can become a holy family as you grow "in wisdom and age and favor" (Luke 2:52).

*"Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us!"*  
(Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)



**HAPPY NEW  
YEAR 2025!**

To you all, our very best wishes for a blessed new year filled with peace, joy, and the

fulfillment of all your hopes and prayers. **Fr. Andrzej Glaba, Fr. Paul Begin and all the Staff and Volunteers at All Saints' Parish.**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**December 30<sup>th</sup> to January 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Mon., December 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Anysia**

- Antonio Grisolia
- Donal Bowe
- Sile O'Sullivan

**Tue., December 31<sup>st</sup>, St. Sylvester I**

- Grazia Maida
- Mary Muscat
- Linda Labrage

5:00 p.m. English Family Mass

**Wed., January 1<sup>st</sup>, Mary Holy Mother of God**

**New Year's Day**

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

**Thur., January 2<sup>nd</sup>, St. Basil the Great**

**St. Gregory Nazianzen**

- Pasquale Caravaggio
- Eamon Burke

Fernando & Maria Pina Carinci

**Fri., January 3<sup>rd</sup>, The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

- St. Genevieve, St. Munchin
- Rosanna Mossa
- Timothy Michael McCarthy
- Roberta MacDonald

**Eucharistic Adoration 3-5pm followed by 5pm Mass**

**Sat., January 4<sup>th</sup>, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

- Joseph Tomasic
- Antonio Morizio

In thanksgiving: Betro Family  
Emilia Scalera & Joe Mossa



**Eucharistic Adoration and Mass:**

We are having the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday January 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3pm to 5pm followed by Holy Mass at 5pm. **Confessions** from 3:30 to 4:30pm. All are welcome!

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE - OCT 14, 2025 - PORTUGAL, SPAIN, FRANCE, FATIMA & LOURDES.**

We will be holding a second information session on Tuesday Jan 28th - 7pm - parish hall. There are only **13 spots left**. A deposit of \$300 is required to reserve your spot. Full payment due 60 days prior to departure. Cost is \$4745.00 per person based on double occupancy.

**COFFEE SUNDAY:** Our next coffee Sunday will be held on **Sunday January 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us after the 11:30am Mass in the Hall. All are welcome!



**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR - OFFICE HOURS:**  
The parish office will be open **ONLY from 9am to 12:30pm** on the following dates: December 30 & 31.

The office will be **CLOSED** on January 1, 2025.



**A NOTE OF THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS**

We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to everyone who has been involved in the planning of the celebrations that have guided us through the Advent and Christmas Seasons. Special thanks to all our parishioners

for making these joyous days a special blessing for the entire community through your presence, your prayers, and your support. Thank you to everyone of you and your families!

The LORD blesses you and keep you!

The LORD let his face shine upon you,  
and be gracious to you!

The LORD looks upon you kindly and give you peace!

**Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Ivan Camilleri – Feb. 9, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage).

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

Our [marriage preparation course](#) for **2025** will be held in February on **Saturday, February 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**

Engaged couples can register for the course at the parish office. **The fee is \$150.00 per couple.** Payment can be made in cash or cheque payable to All Saints' Parish.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**LITTLE SAINTS - for students in Grades 2 - 4** Meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month @ **6:45 – 8 PM** in the parish hall. Next session January 17, 2025 – *Ben-Hur: A Race to Glory*.

**EDGE – Raising Saints - for students in Grades 5 - 8** Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session January 10 – *A Most Beloved Son*.

**THE SAINTS – Pizza Nights - for students in Grades 9-12** Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session February 7 – *Not Alone*. **Please confirm attendance at [1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com)**



**Faith Formation**

**Formation Sessions at All Saints:**

We invite the parish community to attend formation sessions offered by our parish in the hall.

**Session 5: Prayer - Presenter: Fr. Michael Mascarenhas.** Sunday, January 19 from 4-5pm or Thursday, Thursday January 30 from 7-8pm.

**Session 6: Baptism & Confirmation - Presenter: Fr. Frank Carpinelli.** Thursday, February 13 from 7-8 pm or Sunday February 23 from 4-5pm.

**The All Saints' Seniors Group:**

The Seniors group will start again on Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm in the Hall. Join us for cards, coffee & refreshments. All parishioners are welcome!

**Friars Student Writing Contest 2025**

**(Nov. 11, 2024 to Jan. 13, 2025)**

**Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)**

High school students aged 13 to 19 from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event, which honours the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity taking place from January 18 to 25. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2025 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are encouraged to explore the resources at <https://bit.ly/3zOVHly> to gain insight into the meaning and purpose of the theme. They should also refer to the focus question available on the poster at <https://bit.ly/3XCGGgo>. Entries are to be submitted at <https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward>. Email [ecumenical@archtoronto.org](mailto:ecumenical@archtoronto.org) or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527 with any questions, or for more information.

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)  
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