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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation: By Appointment

First Friday of the Month

Adoration/Benediction

Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Baptism: Contact the office to register your child. Baptism dates assigned at time of interview with Priest or Deacon.

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Patrick O’Dea, C.H.H. – *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. David Quail – *Permanent Deacon*

Sr. Eva Janning, CPS – *R.C.I.A.*

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Parish Ministries

55+ CLUB - 416-222-5139

CATECHISM COURSE(S) - Msgr. Pat O’Dea

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416-788-0858

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jdfq@rogers.com

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

2nd Sunday of Advent

WHEN WE FIRST begin our life's journey, the pathway is simple and clear. Ordinarily, our parents simply point us in a direction – and off we go. As we grow up, though, the journey becomes more complicated. Eventually we want to choose our own path.

And that is usually the time we arrive at an important crossroads, where we face a dizzying number of choices. We could follow the pathway of power, or the pathway of success: or the most popular one, the one with flashing lights, colourful streamers and a golden roadway: the pathway of possessions. Many people like that one.

So we choose one and continue walking. But the way of power often passes through the valley of loneliness, the way of success often leads to the labyrinth of exhaustion, and the way of possessions leads to the mountain of heavy burdens. Later, maybe years later, we start to wonder if we made the right choice.

And if we're lucky, one day we encounter John. "Repent!" he says. "Stop. You're going the wrong way! Choose again and walk the Way of the Lord. There, the valley of Loneliness is levelled, the labyrinth of Exhaustion is straightened, the mountain of Burdens made low. Turn and go the Lord's Way, where you will find your yoke is easy and your burden light."

(Reflection of Patrick Gallagher, from Living with Christ)

Advent Preparation for Christmas 2021

Each week, as of Sunday, 21 November 2021, the Solemnity of Christ the King, the CCCB will release a video recording of a Bishop reflecting on the Gospel Reading for each Sunday of Advent. This year's reflections were inspired by Indigenous Delegation travelling to Rome to meet with Pope Francis from 17-20 December 2021. Each reflection is based one of the five essential stages of reconciliation: examen, confession, repentance, reparation (making amends), and reconciliation. It is likewise hoped these reflections will assist the faithful, Indigenous and non-Indigenous alike, in preparing for Pope Francis' eventual apostolic journey to Canada. The videos were developed under the auspices of the Bishops Working Group on Coordinating Indigenous Initiatives, with the script being approved by the same, as agreed to by the Executive Committee at its Special Meeting on 12 November 2021.

The videos can be accessed on the CCCB website at the following links:

In English: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/>

In French: <https://www.cccb.ca/fr/evangelisation-catechese-et-education/ressources-video/cheminer-ensemble-durant-lavent/>



Monday, December 6, 2021 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Jingap Lee
+ Petrus Leung

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Joseph Li Ho Chi Ming

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

8:30 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho

Thursday, December 9, 2021 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Don Wilson
In Thanksgiving

Friday, December 10, 2021

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Baby Daniel

Saturday, December 11, 2021 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Daniel Franes
+ Dr. James Cummins

4:30 p.m. Deceased Members of the Callaghan Family

Sunday, December 12, 2021

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Matthew & Reynard
9:30 a.m. + Adolf Rygiel
11:00 a.m. + Luk Shun Kwan



A major focus of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada's **People and Planet First** campaign is advocating for a law that compels Canadian companies to respect the human and environmental rights of local populations in their overseas operations. This fall, acting in solidarity with their brothers and sisters in the Global South, thousands of Canadians signed a petition asking the government to enact such a law.

On behalf of all those who struggle to preserve their land, lives, livelihoods and lifestyles, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your commitment and mobilization. Together, we act in solidarity with the protectors of the Earth. Together, we have the power to change lives.

To continue supporting the petition and to keep up the campaign momentum, visit <https://devp.org/en>



ANGEL TREE

A special thanks to all parishioners who have participated in the Angel Tree Program, to assist the poor and needy at Christmas.

As in last year, we shall be helping the families served by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish, as well as outreach assistance to the homeless served by Good Shepherd Ministries in Toronto, and the children cared for through the Catholic Children's Aid Society.

Most of the tags have been taken from the Angel Tree tables as well as those who choose to select one "virtually". A reminder to return all gift cards by December 5th, if at all possible. This provides time for the various agencies to assemble all the gift items and ensure proper distribution to the individuals in need. If you have any questions, please contact:

St. Vincent de Paul & Children's Aid
Jasmine Carvalho – 416-226-6577
Email: carvalhojp@hotmail.com

Good Shepherd Ministries
Marie Barry – 647-351-3788
Email: askmarieb@yahoo.ca

THE OTHER MAJOR CHRISTMAS DRIVE

In addition to the Angel Tree, please remember we have the special St. Vincent de Paul collection this weekend, December 4th/5th, as another option of supporting the poor and needy at Christmas.

This particular collection also assists the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish to maintain their funding for their important ministry throughout the year, and not simply at Christmas. Thank you, also for remembering the poor with contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box located in the church lobby.

May God bless you, and all our special efforts in this most difficult year!



Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas

Christmas Eve – Friday, Dec. 24th
4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day – Saturday, Dec. 25th
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Feast of the Holy Family – Sunday, Dec. 26th
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

New Year

New Year's Eve Vigil Masses
Friday, Dec. 31st – 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

New Year's Day - Saturday, Jan. 1st
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord - Sunday Jan. 2nd
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Registration is required for all Masses. You can sign up via our website (listed below) or through a special FLOCK NOTE which will be sent out one week prior. (If you are not on our FLOCK NOTE listing, please sign up via our website or contact the office with your name and email).

Visit: <http://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org>

New Sunday Missals

The new St. Joseph Sunday Missals for 2021 – 2022, are available after each Mass, for persons wishing to obtain their own copy. Each Missal costs \$5.00.



Offertory envelopes for 2022 are available in the hall. The boxes are in alphabetical order. If there is a change of address, please contact the Parish office.

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