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Feast of the Holy Family

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

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Prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love;
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again experience violence,
rejection and division;
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the
family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
Graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

(Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, 325)



Monday, December 29, 2025

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Juliana Blackier.

Tuesday, December 30, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Susanna Kim
+ Ching-Yock & Ho-Leung Lo
+ Pope Benedict XVI
+ Souls of Hong Kong Tai Po Fire

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Bernadette Carvalho
4:30 p.m. Thanksgiving of the Wong Family

Thursday, January 1, 2026 – New Year

8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Edward's
9:30 a.m. + Intentions of the Wong Family
11:00 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Vanessa Salazar-Cornejo

Friday, January 2, 2026

8:30 a.m. + Murchison Steve Amoroso

Saturday, January 3, 2026 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. Special Intentions of Catherina Kim
Intentions of Zanaida Wong
+ Bosco Fernandes
+ Caridad & Rachel Rebello
+ Jeronimo Botelho
+ Elias D'Douza

4:30 p.m. + Murchison Steve Amoroso

Sunday, January 4, 2026 – The Epiphany of Our Lord

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Salera Family
9:30 a.m. + Betty Celima
11:00 a.m. For the Protection of Unborn Children



Youth Contests 2026!

The Catholic Women's League of St. Edward the Confessor Parish invites all youth to grow in faith, build confidence, and share their gifts! Contests include the:

1. Mary Matthews Public Speaking (Grades 7–8)
2. Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay & Poetry (Grades 7–12)
3. Jean McCann Service Award (Ages 15–18)
4. CWL Michael's Scholarship.

Registration deadline: January 2, 2026

Contest and submission dates run Feb.–May 2026.

Questions or more details on how to apply:

Email Gene: stedwardcwl@gmail.com

Website: cwltoronto.ca

Thank you to all who assisted at the Christmas Masses. I wish to thank the Musicians, the Lectors, the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar-Servers, Ushers, Sacristans, the teachers of our children in the Little Lambs Ministry, the catechism courses and the Children's Liturgy of the Word, and all who assisted at our Christmas Masses. A special thank you to Maria Amodio, and all who assisted her, in decorating the Church.

Thank you to all the children participating in the Nativity Pageant and a special thank you to Connie Marsh and Angela for organizing it.

Msgr. Pat

New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31st, 2025

4:30 p.m.

New Year's Day
Thursday, January 1, 2026

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord
Saturday, January 3rd

4:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 4th

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.



Closing Mass of the Jubilee Year
Sunday, December 28, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.
Feast of the Holy Family

You are invited to attend the closing Mass for the Year of Jubilee this Sunday, December 28th at 11:00 a.m. The celebrant will be Msgr. Pat O'Dea. All are welcome.

Vocations

By Baptism we are God's Holy Family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997**

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

O God our Father, we thank you for protecting us and bringing us safely through another year. Help us to grow not only in body, but also in heart and mind. May we look upon each new day as another chance to follow you more closely. As the new year unfolds, may we be more merciful towards others and more generous in serving you. Amen

On behalf of Msgr. Patrick O'Dea, Fr. Andrew Taylor, Fr. Dave Warren (retired), Deacon David Quail, John Xerri, our seminarian, Josie Paladino and Jeswyn Devas, our secretaries, Maribeth Go, our Youth Minister, and Clare Koo, our custodian, we wish all our parishioners and their families a Happy New Year.

COR PROGRAM A NEW SPIRITUAL PROGRAM FOR THE MEN OF THE PARISH

The men of the parish are invited to attend a new spiritual program designed to assist men to grow in faith and fellowship. The program is called "COR" (from the Latin, meaning "Heart"). The meeting time is early on a Saturday morning, to allow less disruption of family life. There is no need to sign up or to feel obligated to attend all the meetings. The program will run in the parish hall on the first and third Saturdays of the month. The next meeting is **Saturday, January 17th**

Schedule as follows:

7:00 a.m. - Hall Doors Open;

Gathering time for social/coffee/refreshments

7:30 a.m. - Themed Talk and Spiritual Discussion

8:30 a.m. - Concludes with Prayer

Parish Office New Year's Hours

Wednesday, December 31 – office will close at 12:00 noon

Thursday, January 1 – office closed – New Year's Day

Regular hours resume Friday, January 2, 2026

Although the office is closed, please note that the phone messages and emails, are checked and answered on a regular basis.





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