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prepare the way...



ADVENT

Communion Reflection Come, Lord Jesus...

Lord Jesus, come into our weakness.

Come into our fears.

Come into our anxieties.

Come into our failures.

Come into our divisions.

Come into our grieving.

Come into our loneliness.

Come into our darkness.

Come into our doubting.

Come into our despair.

Come into our poverty of heart.

Come into our searching.

Come into our joys and hopes.

Come into our dying.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

St. Joseph Vigil Lamp Burns in memory of Olga Furac

St John the Evangelist Vigil Lamp Burns in memory of Cosimo Pusateri

Masses of Intentions

Monday – Christmas Eve (no 8:30 am Mass)

Tuesday - Christmas Day

Wednesday -10:00 am - Margaret Santos + / Tony Ercolani (INT)

Thursday - Raf Di Cecco & Family (INT) / Weiler Family (INT)

Friday - Peter Barnicke + / Raffaele Pompeo (INT) / Catherine Valenti + / Fortunato Sdao +

Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Rosemarie Chapeskie, George Hallan, Vince Pelletier

The Angel Tree-Our special tree is adorned with angels, each representing families less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting St. Paul's School and the Good Shepherd Refuge. You are invited to select an angel from the Tree beginning this weekend and purchase gift certificates. Please leave them in the box under the tree by Sunday Dec 23rd or bring to the parish office. For more information please call the parish office.



The **Out of the Cold** dinner program serving a hot dinner to those in need in our community is sponsored by Glenview Presbyterian, St. Leonard's Anglican and Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. The program runs every Sunday from the first Sunday in November to last Sunday in March at the Glenview Presbyterian Church at 1 Glenview Avenue. The Blessed Sacrament Church is responsible for the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month. Volunteers are needed to prepare NUT FREE desserts that are easy to carry away like muffins, cookies, brownies, squares, etc. Desserts can be dropped off at Glenview Presbyterian Church on Sundays at 4pm during this period. In addition, donations for NEW socks, mittens, gloves, and undergarments are always welcome as well. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to this year's Out of the Cold leaders. 2nd Sunday: Sandra Girard and Nina Spinosa at ootc.secondsunday@gmail.com. 3rd Sunday: Ann Marie and Bill Rosenitsch annmarieroz@gmail.com.

Blessed Sacrament Card Group - Meet the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. Our next gathering will be on Thursday, January 3rd. All are welcome; there is an elevator to assist you to the parish hall.

Jeff Cavins "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible"

Bible Study beginning Thursday, January 17, 2019 for 8 weeks (no class February 21). Contact Elisa Weaver for more information at elisa.wever@gmail.com or the parish office.

December 23, 2018

The grace of God has appeared, saving all! (Ti 2.11)

2019 ENVELOPES - Please pick up your 2019 envelopes at the back of the church. **PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE IF THERE IS AN ERROR WITH YOUR BOX NUMBER. Please DO NOT use any leftover envelopes from 2018 or any other year! Recycle your outdated envelopes.** If you did not pick up your 2018 envelopes, your name was removed from the envelope list so please pick a new box up in the Loretto Room. If you would like to be an envelope user, please pick up a new box in the Loretto Room as well. Please write your name and address on the first few envelopes used so we can update the parish data for 2019. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

Also pick up your 2019 parish calendar.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Monday, December 24th

(NO 8:30 am Mass)

Children's Liturgy 4:30 pm

Masses: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12 Midnight

Christmas Day Tuesday, December 25th Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

Wednesday, December 26th

Mass: 10:00 am

ATTN: Altar Servers - please sign up for the Mass that you will be serving at on Christmas and New Year's Day in the Loretto Room.

Solemnity of Mary
New Years Eve, Monday,
December 31st

(NO 8:30 am Mass) Vigil Mass - 4:30 pm

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1st

Masses: 10:00 am & 11:30 am (NO 8:30 am Mass)

Parish Office Christmas Hours

Closed Monday, December 24th at <u>noon</u> Closed Tuesday, December 25th Closed Wednesday, December 26th Closed Monday, December 31st at <u>noon</u> Closed Tuesday, January 1st



The Christmas Mass on TV

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the Catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV Mass:

Christmas Eve on VisionTV at 9:00 pm ET yesTV at 10:00 pm ET

Christmas Day at 8:00 am and 12:00 pm ET on VisionTV 11:00 pm ET on Salt + Light 1:00 pm on yesTV You can also watch on the web at www.dailytvmass.com

Parking during the holidays - We understand the difficulty of finding parking during the holidays but please do not block our neighbours' driveways, it is illegal as well as a danger to the people in emergency situations. Please make sure when parking on the streets around the church that there is room for emergency vehicles to get by safely. The Toronto Police asked if parishioners would park on streets west of Duplex, on Yonge Street or Lawrence. Thanks, Fr. Larry

GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE – in need of Casseroles, recipes and pans are available at the bottom of the south stairs to the parish hall. Community volunteer hours will be given to grade 7 Confirmation students and high school students.

The National Catholic Broadcasting Council (NCBC) would like to invite you to join the TV Mass congregation for the taping of our Daily TV Masses. Masses are held at the Loretto Abbey Chapel at 101 Mason Blvd on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm.

For more information call the NCBC at 905-884-6899 or by email at info@ncbc.ca

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