



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 04

8:00 a.m. Katherine Joan McManus

Tuesday, December 05

8:00 a.m. Libby & Fred Tillo (37th Wed. Anniversary)

Wednesday, December 06

7:00 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Sebastiangillai

Thursday, December 07

8:00 a.m. Patricia Kang
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Friday, December 08

8:00 a.m. Evelyn Jones
7:00 p.m. Elizabeth Mootoo

Saturday, December 09

9:00 a.m. Melanie De Leon
4:30 p.m. Noel Stanislaus

Sunday, December 10

9:00 a.m. Carmela Mangano
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
12:15 p.m. Natalie Caporusso (Thanksgiving)

There is *Children's Liturgy today [Sunday, December 10]*

at 10:30 am Mass, and that will be the last session for this year.

These gatherings will resume after the Christmas holidays, on **January 07, 2018.**

Have a blessed restful holidays.



Liturgical Publications, the printers of our Bulletin, will be setting up the advertisements for our Church Bulletin. Advertising begins December 2017.

Please remember that these advertisements make our Bulletin possible. Do support the Bulletin and advertise your products or services with us. *Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422*



1st Sunday of Advent – B

The Good News of Jesus Christ means a new creation: new heavens and earth, humanity renewed. Now we are free to become what God intended from the beginning. As Mark's gospel opens, the Baptist's urgent preaching calls us to do more than hear the news of Jesus' coming. We must prove our commitment to him by conversion of heart and confession of sin. John promises that the one whose way he prepares will baptize with the Holy Spirit; it is this Spirit which makes us new people. Like the holy city Jerusalem of the first reading, we become the dwelling place where God reveals his glory. God's nearness consoles and gives joy, for this God of power is also the shepherd who loves his flock tenderly. God is patient, giving to each of us the time we need for conversion. With impatient longing we who have known God intimately await the final return of the Lord. We must prepare for that great Day of the Lord by living lives consecrated to God. Then his work of creating us anew will be complete.



2nd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 10, 2017

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If God is calling you, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux** at 416-968-0997 or email at vocations@archtoronto.org or call **Fr. Dominic Borg** at 416-757-2806 or email him at olfatima@rogers.com for further information.



Please pray for the newly baptized in Christ in our Parish on November 26, 2017
Alexander Jr. Garcia, Lianna Aquino Lumbres, and Aniyla Rose Sanderson
May God continue to protect, bless, and guide them.

R.C.I.A. Program 2017 – 2018

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program – a journey of prayer, reflection and instruction for anyone wishing to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith – in our hall. Final session before Christmas break:
Saturday Dec. 09 at 10am. For updates visit our website: www.fatimashrine.ca



Are you new in our parish?

You are most welcome to register your family with us. We are very grateful to new parishioners who have done so already, and to those who updated their records. We thank all for your constant help and support. Come and pick up a form from our office Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or download a form from our website: www.fatimashrine.ca or email us at olfatima@rogers.com

Solemnity of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary –

Friday, December 8, 2017

8.00 am – Morning Mass as usual

7:00 pm – Holy Mass

> We will also have evening Mass to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 7:00 pm.

All are welcome to join us in prayer.



..... a reminder

In the initial spirit of the *family of faith* campaign and the prayerful consideration that compelled so many of us to make

a *sacrificial gift* to secure a future for our Church, parishioners are kindly asked to do their best to update their pledge level at their earliest convenience. If one is not in a position to honor their pledge, kindly contact the **Donations Processing Centre** directly and let them know of your intention to cancel or suspend pledge payment.

Speak to **Kathryn Collins** at **416.934.3400 ext. 535**

or email to kcollins@archtoronto.org

Please note that if pledges are not honored the parish will not receive its share from the campaign.

DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2018

The boxes with your donation envelopes for 2018 are being prepared for pick up. They will be sorted in alphabetical order in trays according to the family's last name. All registered parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any changes to their personal data. **Thank you.**



Our Lady of Fatima Shrine



Presents: O Come Divine Messiah!

A Christmas Novena of prayers, song, Mass, & fellowship for parish families.

- Dec. 15 Fri. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 16 Sat. at 6:00 pm
- Dec. 17 Sun. at 5:00 pm
- Dec. 18 Mon. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 19 Tues. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 20 Wed. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 21 Thurs. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 22 Fri. at 7:00 pm
- Dec. 23 Sat. at 6:00 pm

Peaceful and Joyous Christmas to all participant!

The SENIORS ACTIVITY CLUB is hosting its **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER**

at our church hall on **Thursday, Dec. 14th at 12 noon**



All seniors are welcome

Tickets are **\$15** each. For tickets and information, please contact:

Sylvetta: 416-759-4699
or Anne: 416-261-1479



Bring with you ... ONE item for the FOOD BANK

Support our parish...these and various other gifts are



available from the parish office!

➤ FLOWERS for CHRISTMAS offering;

We welcome all offerings of support for the purchase of Christmas flowers to decorate the altar and the church during the coming festivities. Kindly pick up an envelope, and fill in the requested information [*including your regular envelope number, if you want your donation to be included in the tax receipt*] seal envelope with offering and place it in the candle box at the shrine.



Thank you for your generous support!