

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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#### PASTORAL TEAM

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#### **PARISH STAFF**

Parish Coordinator: Angeli San Juan angeli@holyrosary.ca office@holyrosary.ca

Parish Office:

Caretaker: : Jim Doinog

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(Office Closed for Lunch from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.)

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Office Closed on Statutory Holidays)

#### **MUSIC DIRECTORS**

Edwin Chiu: Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Geoff Butler: Sunday 9:30 am, 11:00 am & 12:30 pm.

#### T.C.D.S.B. SCHOOL CONNECTED TO THE PARISH

Holy Rosary Catholic School: 416-393-5225 308 Tweedsmuir Ave. Toronto, ON. M5P 2Y1

Bianca Auciello: Principal

#### **FAMILY CATECHETICAL PROGRAM**

(October - May)

9:30 a.m., Sunday Family Mass in the Church 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Catechetical Classes in the Parish Hall & Holy Rosary School

#### **WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS**

We ask new parishioners to register with the Parish. Forms and donation envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church and at the Parish Office. Registration Forms can also be found on our website: www.holyrosary.ca please fill out the form and either email it to the Parish Office or drop it into the collection basket or to the Parish Office.

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday **8:00 a.m.** Sunday **9:30 a.m.** Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 12:30 p.m.

- Community Celebration: Choir, Piano and Guitar - Mass Without Music

Cantor/Congregational Singing

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

12:10 p.m. Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. Saturday

#### ROSARY

Monday to Friday: 11:40 a.m.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Monday to Friday: 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday: 11:50 a.m. to 12:05 p.m.

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

People seeking Baptism for their children must be registered in the Parish for at least three months, must have an interview with a member of the Parish staff and must complete a Baptismal Preparation Course.

#### ARRANGING A WEDDING

Couples wishing to arrange a wedding are required to contact the Parish 1 year in advance. A wedding reception should not be set before the date is confirmed with the Pastor. A Marriage Preparation Course is required and can be taken at any parish. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND CARE FOR THE ELDERLY & SHUT-INS

Those confined to their homes by illness, infirmity or age, may arrange to receive communion by contacting the Parish Office.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

"To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame". (Psalm 24. 1-3)

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

In addition to All-Day Eucharistic Adoration on one Saturday of each month between 9:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Holy Rosary has daily adoration after the 12:10 pm Mass until 2:00 pm Monday to Friday.



Prayer and Quiet Reflection The Rosary will be prayed at 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm "Can you not watch an hour with me?" *Matthew 26:40* 

January 6, February 3, & March 3, 2018

#### The **DECEMBER Food of the** Month donation is **HOT**

**CEREAL.** Plastic grocery bags are needed at this time. Egg cartons are NOT needed. For more



information please visit: info@cothfoodbank.ca or to donate. On behalf of the clients, volunteers at the COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.



**Today, is our Christmas** Coffee Sunday! Join us for shortbread, sweet breads and our fairtrade coffee and teas in the Parish Hall. As well we have olive oil and soap from Palestinian co- ops. We are making up some gift bags if you would

like to support the work of our partner farmers in Mexico and Palestine. Please join us after the 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am and 12:30 pm Masses.

Father Callam's Book Launch today! On Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be another book launch, in the Parish Hall – Gym at 1:30 pm. Father Callam will give another talk about his book, A Catholic Goes to the Movies and sign copies. See you all there!

## Christmas Flowers

Christmas is almost upon us and it is time for the Flower Guild to ask for your help. Each weekend before Christmas, there will be envelopes in all pews and Church entrances

for donations towards the cost of decorating Holy Rosary for Christmas. The Flower Guild depends entirely on your generosity. Pleas remember to include your Sunday Envelope Number for tax purposes.

With Many Thanks... The Flower Guild



## St Vincent de Paul Society

good works

St. Vincent de Paul needs your help! Every Christmas, gift baskets are put together for families and for singles so that on Christmas day they have something to open. We are looking for the following items: toiletries, gift cards, mittens, hats, socks, chocolates, cookies etc. Parishioners wishing to donate items for the Gift bags, can be dropped off to the Parish Office before

**December 6<sup>th</sup>.** Should you have any questions please contact Jackie Jensen at jjandtheiglrs@gmail.com.

#### **Christmas Cards**

The Society of St Vincent de Paul will be selling Christmas cards at the main entrance of the Church Today, December 2/3 and Dec 9/10. This is your opportunity to support their work as well as share your support with your friends and family. Each card is \$10, \$20 for 3 and \$50 for 7. Cash, cheques and credit cards are accepted. Each card purchased provides a family with a meal or Christmas gift. Thank you for your continued support in providing help for our neighbours in need. Cards can also be purchased from the Office.

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE MORE INVOLVED AT MASS?... Consider being an Altar Server!



If you are 10 years old or older and have received First Communion and Reconciliation you are invited to an Altar Server Training on Saturday, December 9, 2017 @ 10:00 am in the Church. This is a

wonderful opportunity for families to serve together. By assisting the Priests, Altar Servers perform a valuable service to our Parish community. For more information, please contact Angeli.

We are assembling a Youth Choir for the Season of Advent to provide music for the 12:30 pm Sunday Masses. Anyone interested should contact Angeli in the Parish Office. The 11:00 am Gallery Choir is looking to bolster their numbers for Advent and Christmas. Please speak with Geoff Butler, our Organist, or contact the Parish Office.



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, December 4, 2017

12:10 pm. Tom Butler (+)

Requested By: Costello & Villasenor Families

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

12:10 pm. Oreste Palumbo (+) Requested By: Lillian Nasello

Wednesday, December 6, 2017

12:10 pm. Ivonne (+) Requested By: Her Daughter

Thursday, December 7, 2017

12:10 pm. Ernani Espiritu (+)

(Special Intentions)

Requested By: His Wife, Alva Espiritu

Friday, December 8, 2017

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 pm. Eugene & Imelda Rosos

(10 Year Wedding Anniversary)

#### **MULTIPLE INTENTIONS:**

Maria Ferrari (+), Eduardo Santos (+), Brian Van Giezen (+), Tonino Esposito (+), Jose Melo (+), Angelo Melo (+), Victoria Sousa (+), & Lourdes Dowling (+)

Saturday, December 9, 2017

Altar Server Training at 10:00 am

9:00 am. The Honourable,

George W. Vari (+)

Requested By: His Wife, Helen Vari 5:00 pm. Victoria Sousa (+) Requested By: Her Parents & Sister

Sunday, December 10, 2017 – Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners

9:30 am. Walter Kim (Special Intentions)

Requested By: Susanna Kim

11:00 am. Maria & Florencio Enriquez (+)

Requested By: Their Family

12:30 pm. Celestino Freitas (+)

Requested By: His Wife

#### Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Matthew Moore, Gie Pariseiane, Desmond O'Boyle, Deirdre Horgan, Merle Menezes, Monica Williams, Elmo Sheppard, Tina Vacalopolous, Pierre Claret, Messias Sousa, Judith Catherine Evans & Clare De Mello.

Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died, especially, Hegu Lee (+), Gordon McCord (+), Jake Henning (+), Jack Hooper (+), Bianca Innocenza (+), Alex Macomb (+), Brian Van

Giezen (+), & Eduardo Santos (+).



Parishioners have pledged \$ 1,506,253.00 as of December 2, 2017!

Congratulations & THANK YOU!

Next Weekend, December 9/10 please join us for **Commitment** 

**Sunday** to thank our dedicated volunteers and generous parishioners who are helping us build a strong, vibrant and faith-filled future!

Do not forget to **return your pledge card** to the Church either in the **offertory basket** or at the **Parish Office** by December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Do you have questions about our 125 Years of Ministry campaign? Email: campaign@holyrosary.ca

Offering Envelopes

#### **2018 Sunday Offering Envelopes**

Your 2018 Envelope boxes will be available for pick up starting December 2 until Friday, December 22 at the back of the Church. For those who are unable to pick up their

envelope boxes, can pick up them up again in the new year.

Please ensure that the name and address on your box is correct, if you have moved or the information on the box is incorrect, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Enclosed in each box is a Pre-Authorized Giving Form. We hope more parishioners will consider Pre-Authorized Giving to reduce the amount of envelope boxes ordered each year. If you do not have a 2018 box of envelopes and would like one, please contact Jennifer.



#### **A Christmas Pageant**

Holy Rosary has begun a tradition of having a Christmas Pageant. We share the story of Jesus's birth with members of our Parish community. All children between the ages of 4 and 12 are invited to be part of the Christmas Pageant. Please attend a rehearsal after the 9:30 am. Mass on Sunday, December 3, 10 and 17 in the Parish Hall. This year the Christmas Pageant will take place at 3:20 pm, before the 4:00 pm, Christmas Eve Family Mass on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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