

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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CHURCH HOURS

Monday to Friday 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sat 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sun 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

MUSIC DIRECTORS Edwin Chiu: Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Geoff Butler: Sunday 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

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

Holy Rosary Catholic School: 416-393-5225
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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We ask new parishioners to register with the Parish. Forms and Donation Envelopes are available at Church entrances, the Parish Office and www.holyrosary.ca

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

ROSARY Monday to Friday: 11:40 a.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday: 12:40 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday evening 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 6:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS TO SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament until 3pm with devotions at 2:45 p.m.

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Rosary with Veneration of Relics of St. Jacinta and Francisco Marto at 8:30 a.m.

Confessions at 8:30 a.m. Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration with Fatima Prayers 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Monday to Sunday 30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Please contact the parish office.

ARRANGING A WEDDING Please contact the Parish Office for information at least 1 year in advance.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart."
(Cf. Isaiah 30.19, 30)

Weekly Biblical Reflection

Beloved brothers and sisters in the Lord:

Today is the Second Sunday of Advent. The Church presents us with the mysterious figure of John the Baptist, who is the opposite of what our secular culture proposes for our veneration. John the Baptist is calling everyone to conversion, and he begins with himself. Unlike the many puffed-up false saviours of our time, John the Baptist is truly humble. He knows who he is, and more importantly, who he is not. John the Baptist declares he is not the Christ, the Anointed One. Nevertheless, he also knows that he has an important mission. Matthew explains John's mission by quoting from the Prophet Isaiah. "The voice of one crying out in the desert, make his paths straight." (Mt 3:2). John the Baptist is the one called by God to prepare the way for the coming of the real Messiah, Jesus Christ.

Many people thought that John the Baptist was the messiah. In fact, the Sanhedrin sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to find out who exactly this man was, wearing camel hair and living off locusts and honey. The Sanhedrin had every good reason to be concerned, as there were many false messiahs during the time of John the Baptist.

Even today, the Vatican is rightfully prudent when someone claims to have received a supernatural mission or vision. There is much investigation into an alleged private revelation. In fact, today's second reading tells us that we "should not despise prophetic utterances." (1 Thess 5:3). The Church does not question whether it is possible to receive a vision or supernatural mission. The question remains whether this mission/vision is truly from God rather than a person's imagination, or worse, the devil.

As we continue to prepare for Christmas, let us remember that it was Christ alone who came to "bring glad tidings to the poor, heal the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners..." (Is 61: 1-2). The prophets of ancient times prophesied that Jesus was the one to come and save us from sin.

Let us reach out to the many men and women who are isolated and lonely. St Paul reminds us that our faith in Christ should urge us to "welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Rm 15: 7)

Perhaps there is someone in our lives who is estranged from us that we might consider reaching out to this Christmas. Welcome this person to your dinner table and realize it will become a graced moment of reconciliation and peace.

God bless, Fr. Peter

Announcements

- TODAY, Sunday, December 7th, is our Community Coffee Sunday in the Parish Hall from 1 PM to 3 PM.** We will be bringing the Christmas story to life, and children from the Parish will be performing a Christmas pageant at 1:30 PM. All are welcome!
- If you are registered to receive donation envelopes, the 2026 donation envelopes are ready for pickup at the accessible entrance of the Church.
Please DO NOT USE these envelopes until January 1st, 2026. If you would like to register to receive donation envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.
- The next event for the Seniors' Club will take place on Wednesday, December 17th at 12:45 PM in Room 2 of the Parish Hall. It is our Christmas Party, with Geoff at the keyboard. There will be carol singing, and lunch will be served. Please register with a member of the Seniors' Committee at the main entrance of the Church following all the Masses this weekend.

NATIVITY CRECHE **Inside St. Joseph's Chapel**



DECEMBER 7th, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 8, 2025

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 pm. Deceased Members of the
Mazzotta & Mannella Families

Requested By: The Family

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

12:10 pm. Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

12:10 pm. Mercedes Jimenez & Romeo
Jimenez (Birthday Blessings)

Requested By: Erlinda Pelaez

Thursday, December 11, 2025

12:10 pm. Maria Ding (+)

Requested By: Yen Bui

Friday, December 12, 2025

12:10 pm. Michael Robert Ward (+)

Requested By: Gladys Lavilla-Ward

Multiple Intentions:

Amanda (+) & Salvatore Cammissa (+)

Saturday, December 13, 2025

Saint Lucy

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin
Mary and in reparation for all sins
committed against her Immaculate
Heart

5:00 pm Emilio Santiago (+), Teresita (+)
& Daryl Pugh (+)

Requested By: The Family & Friends

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners

10:00 am. Tom Gaboury (+)

Requested By: Paul & Bernadette Connally &
Family

12:00 pm. Marivic Hipol Piza (+) (3rd Year
Death Anniversary)

Requested By: Cecilia & Christine

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick,
especially: Richard Marshall, Paul Swarney, John
Callaghan, Kaye Graham, Mary Hopkins, Peter Robinson,
Dominic Curran, Gerard Gonsalves, Mary Castillo de Vega,
Mary Agnes Ludwick, Madeleine Mendoza, Peter
Verwoerd, Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey,
Anthony Verombeek, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie.

Please remember in your prayers those who recently died,
especially: Amanda (+)



Christmastide Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

5 PM & 8 PM Mass (Christmas Caroling at 7:30 PM)

Thursday, December 25 - Christmas Day

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Friday, December 26

9 AM Mass (there is no 12:10 PM Mass)

Saturday, December 27

9 AM & 5 PM Mass

Sunday, December 28 - Feast of the Holy Family

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Monday, December 29

12:10 PM Mass

Tuesday, December 30

12:10 PM Mass

Wednesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

5 PM Mass (no 12:10 PM Mass)

Thursday, January 1 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

Friday, January 2

12:10 PM Mass

Saturday, January 3

9 AM & 5 PM Mass

Sunday, January 4 - Epiphany of Our Lord

8 AM, 10 AM*, & 12 PM Mass

*Masses will be livestreamed

Compassionate Community Care, Community of Hope
Outreach: Connecting with Seniors Project

Regular check-ins by phone or Zoom with seniors who
may not be able to receive an in-person visitor.

Please call or email Suzanne if you would like to receive
a regular check-in or if you would like to volunteer at
(647) 448-8873 or outreach@beingwith.org

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