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REGULAR SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday	5:00pm	English
Sunday	8:30am	English
Sunday	10:00am	English
Sunday	11:30am	Italian
Sunday	1:00pm	English
Sunday	7:30pm	English

The audio feed of Sunday Masses is made available **by conference call**.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday	8:30am	English
Wednesday	8:30am	English
Thursday	8:30am	English
Friday	8:30am	English
Saturday	8:30am	English

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 3:00pm – 4:00pm

MARIAN DEVOTION

ROSARY

Tuesday to Sunday
before the 8:30am Mass in the church
Saturday, 8:00pm, **by conference call**

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesday
at the start of the 8:30am Mass

OUR LADY OF KNOCK

Saturday
at the start of the 8:30am Mass

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Pastor through the Office to make arrangements.

MARRIAGES

Couples must contact the Pastor at least one year in advance of the anticipated date. A preparation course is required.

A NOTE ABOUT COVID-19

We are able to welcome people inside the church for as long as we can observe physical distancing between households. Spaces are allotted as people arrive, and there is no reservation/registration required to come for Mass. Masks or face coverings continue to be required while inside the church.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Fr. Vito Marziliano
PASTOR

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Secretary will be in the Office
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
to welcome people by appointment only.

You may contact the Parish Office
at any time by phone or e-mail.

Those who wish to speak with Fr. Vito may do so in the sacristy
before or after Mass, or by appointment at any time.

PARISH GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

Please note: Most meetings and gatherings
are suspended at this time.

Altar Servers (Junior and Senior)
Baptism and Marriage Preparation
Bible and Theology Classes
Building Committee
Catholic Women's League
First Monday of the Month
English Choir (at the Sunday 10:00am Mass)
English Prayer Group
Fundraising Committee
Italian Choir (at the Sunday 11:30am Mass)
Italian Prayer Group
Knights of Columbus
Third Thursday of the Month
Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers
Legion of Mary
Liturgy of the Word for Children
Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)
Ministry of Bereavement
Ministry to Seniors and the Homebound
Ministry to the Youth
Parish Finance Council
Parish Liturgical Committee
Parish Pastoral Council
Refugee-Resettlement Committee
Project Hope Group
R.C.I.A. and R.C.I.C.
Seniors' Group

PARISH SCHOOLS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

St. Patrick's (1907)
11948 The Gore Road
(905) 794 – 0411

Holy Spirit (2005)
25 Bloomsbury Avenue
(905) 794 – 8039

Fr. Francis McSpirtt (2007)
55 Lexington Road
(905) 794 – 5031

Our Lady of Lourdes (2011)
25 Mount Royal Circle
(905) 913 – 1703

St. André Bessette (2013)
25 Riverstone Drive
(905) 913 – 2567

SECONDARY SCHOOL

Cardinal Ambrozic (2009)
10 Castle Oaks Crossing
(905) 913 – 2989

NEW PARISHIONERS

We warmly welcome new
members of our parish
community.

If you would like to register as
parishioners and use a box of
donation envelopes, please
contact the Parish Office or
speak to Fr. Vito after Sunday
Mass.

CONFERENCE CALL

To participate at prayers or
gatherings done by conference
call, simply dial the toll-free
number **1-867-292-3030** and
use the code **733-93-13**.

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accessible to you with no
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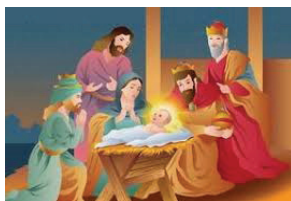
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent



FROM THE DESK OF FR. VITO



CHRISTMAS WISHES AND BLESSINGS TO EVERYONE

Beloved friends: My best wishes for you, your families and friends, is that the Lord may grant you peace, love and joy. May you receive the

strength that God grants to all who trust in Him. May the words of the angel to the shepherds resound in your hearts and be witnessed in your actions: **"Fear not. I bring you news of great joy: TODAY IS BORN FOR YOU A SAVIOUR. CHRIST THE LORD!"** May hope and strength guide your thoughts, your decisions and your actions. Know that every Mass I celebrate is offered for your intentions and the needs of your families. A **BLESSED NEW YEAR** to all of you. May 2022 see the fulfilment of your wishes and desires, and may you experience every day of the new year the presence of God, enlightening your journey.

With prayerful best wishes,
Fr. Vito



I wish to express gratitude to all you, dear friends, for the courage you have displayed throughout another year of the pandemic. Special thanks to parishioners who have been able to assist the ministry of the parish

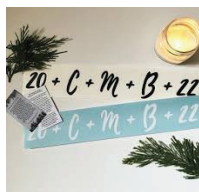
throughout the various lockdowns and limited accessibility. And also to those who could not have done more than simply offer prayers. They were needed for everything we did. **Thank you to those who have been able to support the needs of the parish, financially and spiritually. If you did have an envelope box assigned to you for the year 2021, you will find the new box for 2022 in the church hall.** Those who did not, can pick up a new box from Fr. Vito in the sacristy after Mass. Please **DO NOT** use old envelopes as they will create difficulties in recording your donations for the new year. **AGAIN, THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU.**

CONFESSIONS DURING THE WEEK LEADING TO CHRISTMAS



On **Monday**, Dec. 20, **Tuesday**, Dec. 21, **Wednesday**, Dec. 22, and **Thursday**, Dec. 23, Mass will be celebrated every morning at 8:30 am. On these days, **CONFESSIONS** will be heard from **9:15 am to 10 am** AND from **6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**. Because of the tight schedule of masses on Dec. 24 and 25, it will not be possible to hear confessions. This Christmas let us celebrate the **MERCY OF GOD** in the Sacrament of **RECONCILIATION**. Please note that with COVID regulations, confessions are heard in the **SACRISTY** for safety reasons.

CHALKING (Marking) THE DOOR OF THE HOUSE FOR THE EPIPHANY BLESSING



There is a tradition in many countries that on the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord, which in Canada is the **SUNDAY AFTER NEW YEAR'S DAY** (this year on January 2), the doors of the homes are chalked as the homes are blessed. On the **FRAME OF THE DOOR**, as a sign of the blessing, chalk is used to mark the year of the Blessing. Those who wish to embrace this tradition will pick up a blessed piece of chalk from church after Mass on The Epiphany Sunday, along with a prayer for blessing, and upon returning home, the family could gather at the door, recite the prayer and write the following on the frame of the door (or choose a door in the house where this could be done). **20 + C + M + B + 22** The year that we are beginning is marked by placing the first two numbers at the beginning and two numbers at the end. Crosses then divide each section as the letters C M B are included between the two sets of numbers. These letters represent the **NAMES OF THE MAGI** (Casper, Melchior, Balthasar) and the Latin phrase **Christus, Mansionem Benedicat** which means **May Christ Bless this House**.

Merlyka, one of our parishioners has volunteered to create a special plaque which you can hang at the entrance of your house with the above beautifully and artistically presented. There is a copy available in the Sacristy for you to see. The charge of \$10 applies exclusively to the materials used. However, you need to order it immediately so that it can be made available for you to pick up from the sacristy on Epiphany morning (Jan. 2). To order please call Merlyka directly at 416-880-1643.

FIRST COMMUNION / CONFIRMATION

REGISTERED IN SPRING 2021

We anticipate celebrations to happen in Spring of 2022. Sometime in Early 2022 we will announce dates for the celebrations of First Confession, First Communions, and Confirmation. We will also let families know how they will be able to choose their celebration from the list of dates that we will announce. Celebrations are not done in school groups.

FOR THOSE CURRENTLY IN GRADES 2 AND 7

We are aiming for registrations sometimes in Early 2022, and we anticipate celebrations to happen sometime in the Fall of 2022. For now, we continue to ask everyone to be patient, and to please be involved in the journey of faith through family prayer, reflections on the readings of Sunday Mass, participate in the Mass, in person or through Social Media. In the Sunday Missal, there are a number of readings and prayers for Sunday Mass. We encourage families in Sacramental preparation to purchase a Sunday Mass Missal for 2022 (\$5.00 each) so that you and your child may follow the readings from home.

Updated information can be found on our website at:
<http://StPatricksBR.archtoronto.org/sacraments>

PARISH SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS 2021 / NEW YEAR'S 2022

SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

We are able to welcome people so long as space allows for the required physical distancing between households. Spaces are allotted on a first-come basis. There is no registration or reservation or sign-up required for Mass. Public health measures (distancing, hand hygiene, use of masks) are in place. Proof of vaccination is NOT REQUIRED of those attending Mass.

* Masses marked with a star will also be made available on conference call. Details on how to connect to the conference call are found on the front page of the bulletin.

FRI DECEMBER 24 (Christmas Eve) IN THE MORNING

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Morning Mass (English)
10:00am Morning Mass (English)
The church will remain open for private prayer through the day.

FRI DECEMBER 24 (Christmas Eve) IN THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING

3:00pm Mass of Christmas (English)*
4:30pm Mass of Christmas (English)*
7:30pm Mass of Christmas (English)*
9:30pm Mass of Christmas (Bi-lingual English/Italian)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 9:30pm Mass. There is no Mass at midnight.

SAT DECEMBER 25 (Christmas Day)

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Mass of Christmas Day (English)*
10:00am Mass of Christmas Day (English)*
11:30am Messa nel Giorno di Natale (Italiano)*
1:00pm Mass of Christmas Day (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 1pm Mass. There is no evening Mass.

SUN DECEMBER 26 (Holy Family Sunday)

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Sunday Mass (English)*
10:00am Sunday Mass (English)*
11:30am Messa Domenicale (Italiano)*
1:00pm Sunday Mass (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 1pm Mass. It will re-open at 7pm for the evening Mass.
7:30pm Sunday Mass (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 7:30pm Mass.

MON DECEMBER 27 (Feast of St. John)

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Morning Mass (English)
The church will be closed shortly after the Mass ends.

DECEMBER 27 until DECEMBER 30

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Morning Mass (English)
The church will remain open for private prayer after the Mass until 9:45am.

FRI DECEMBER 31 (New Year's Eve) IN THE MORNING

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Morning Mass (English)
The church will be closed shortly after the Mass.

FRI DECEMBER 31 (New Year's Eve) IN THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING

4:00pm The church will be open.
5:00pm Mass in honour of Mary, Mother of God (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 5pm Mass.

SAT JANUARY 1 (New Year's Day)

There is no early morning Mass at our church on this day.
9:00am The church will be open.
10:00am Mass in honour of Mary, Mother of God (English)*
11:30am Messa in onore di Maria, Madre di Dio (Italiano)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 11:30am Mass. There are no afternoon or evening Masses.

SUN JANUARY 2 (Epiphany Sunday)

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Sunday Mass (English)*
10:00am Sunday Mass (English)*
11:30am Messa Domenicale (Italiano)*
1:00pm Sunday Mass (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after 1pm Mass. It will re-open at 7pm for the evening Mass.
7:30pm Sunday Mass (English)*
The church will be closed shortly after the 7:30pm Mass.

MON JANUARY 3 (Feast of Our Lord's Holy Name)

8:00am The church will be open.
8:30am Morning Mass (English)
The church will be closed shortly after the Mass ends.

Regular schedule resumes on Tuesday, January 4th.

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