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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

WEEKDAY MASSES

All weekday Masses are in English.

Monday 8:30am
Tuesday 8:30am & 7:00pm
Wednesday 8:30am & 7:00pm
Thursday 8:30am & 7:00pm
Friday 8:30am
Saturday 9:00am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm
Wednesday 6:30pm to 6:45pm
and by appointment

MARIAN DEVOTION

ROSARY

Sunday to Friday
before the 8:30am Mass

Saturday
before the 9:00am Mass

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

At the Wednesday Masses

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office
to make arrangements.

A preparation session may be
required.

MARRIAGE

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

PARISH OFFICE

Rev. Msgr Owen Keenan

PASTOR

okeenan@archtoronto.org

Rev. Fr Abraham Lukose

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

alukose@archtoronto.org

OFFICE HOURS Tuesday to Friday, from 9:00am to 4:00pm

A LIGHT WILL SHINE
ON US THIS DAY,
OUR LORD IS BORN FOR US!

(Cf. Psalm 97:11, Luke 2:11)



*A Blessed and Merry Christmas
to you all!*

A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SINCE 1830

24 DECEMBER 2023

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 23 December

5:00 p.m. Maria Di Gregorio

SUNDAY 24 December

8:30 a.m. Open Intention

10:00 a.m. PRO POPULO

11:30 a.m. Open Intention



CHRISTMAS WEEK

AT SAINT PATRICK'S, WILDFIELD

SUNDAY 24 December CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 p.m. Children's Mass (English)

10:00 p.m. Italian Mass

12:00 a.m. English Mass at Midnight

MONDAY 25 December CHRISTMAS DAY

8:30 a.m. English Mass

10:30 a.m. English Mass

11:30 a.m. Italian Mass

NOTE: Weekday morning Masses this week are at 9:00 a.m. and not at 8:30 a.m. There are no weekday evening Masses this week.

TUESDAY 26 December ST STEPHEN

9:00 a.m. Open Intention

WEDNESDAY 27 December ST JOHN

9:00 a.m. Open Intention

THURSDAY 28 December HOLY INNOCENTS

9:00 a.m. Open Intention

FRIDAY 29 December ST THOMAS BECKETT

9:00 a.m. Angela Contestabile

SATURDAY 30 December

9:00 a.m. Open Intention

5:00 p.m. Luigi Minna

SUNDAY 31 December THE HOLY FAMILY

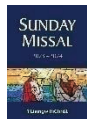
8:30 a.m. Genoveffa & Roberto Altobelli

10:00 a.m. PRO POPULO

11:30 a.m. Cathy Ricciuto

1:00 p.m. Open Intention

AROUND OUR PARISH



Copies of the **2023-24 Living with Christ Sunday Missal** are available from the back of the church at \$5 each.



The boxes of **offertory envelopes for calendar year 2024** are now available for pick-up in the parish hall!

Parishioners who wish to register for offertory envelopes can do so by contacting the parish office during the week, or by visiting the sacristy after Sunday Mass.



First Week of the New Year

AT SAINT PATRICK'S, WILDFIELD

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Sunday 31 December 2023

There is no Mass at our Parish for the Vigil of the feast.

Monday 1 January 2024

10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – English Masses

11:30 a.m. – Italian Mass

NEW YEAR'S WEEK

Tuesday 2 to Thursday 4 January 2024

Morning Mass will be at **9:00 a.m.** instead of 8:30 a.m.

There are no 7:00 p.m. Evening Masses this week.

FIRST FRIDAY 5 January 2023

9:00 a.m. – Morning Mass

followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. – Evening Mass



READERS FOR SUNDAY MASS

We continue to invite parishioners who are interested in joining our group of Readers for Sunday Mass to send an email to the Parish Office.



CHILDREN'S
Liturgy of the Word

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass as well as
at the 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday Masses

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is taking a pause for the Christmas Break. The next Children's Liturgy will be on the weekend of 13/14 January 2024.

We're still looking for more volunteers to help us run this ministry. Minimal training is required and you will be guided every step of the way! Adult volunteers are welcome, as well as youth volunteers in Grade 11 and above. To learn more send an email to StPatCL@gmail.com and a member of the Children's Liturgy Team will respond to you.



ST PATRICK'S
YOUTH MINISTRY

<http://StPatricksBR.archtoronto.org/youth>

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**The next Youth Night is on Friday 5 January 2024
starting with the 7:00 p.m. Mass.**

For more information please visit our website, or you may contact the Youth Ministry Team by e-mail.

Students preparing for Confirmation are highly encouraged to participate in the activities of our Youth Ministry!



MUSIC FOR SUNDAY MASS

Are you interested in joining the **English Choir** at the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass? Or perhaps the **Italian Choir** at the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass?

Or would you like to assist with the singing or accompanying at the 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday Masses? Or perhaps you are interested in helping start a **Youth & Children's Choir** in our parish?

Speak to Monsignor Owen or Father Abraham for details!



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Simply visit <http://formed.org/signup> (or scan the QR code) to create a FREE account! Search for "St Patrick Brampton" in the list of parishes then provide your name and e-mail address. You will then have full access to the catalogue of videos and resources.



"FUTURE SITE" SIGN FOR OUR NEW CHURCH BUILDING

As we continue to journey towards the building of our new church, we would like to mark the site with a sign. It is hoped that we will have permits to put up the sign in the coming months. To that end, we are looking for parishioners and industry contacts who may be able to assist with the sign. Interested parties are asked to send an e-mail to Monsignor Owen (okeenan@archtoronto.org) or speak to him directly after Mass on Sunday.

A NOTE ABOUT TEACHER APPLICATIONS AND PASTORAL REFERENCES

Dear prospective teachers / Parents of prospective teachers, Thank you for your interest in teaching and leading the next generation of students through Catholic education. Your decision to form the minds, hearts and souls of our youth is valued and of utmost importance.

Because our Catholic schools exist not just to impart knowledge but to instill students with wisdom and love, we must do everything we can to ensure the teachers that are hired are as qualified as possible, above all in the matters of the Faith. St Pope Paul VI notes, "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses" (Evangelii Nuntiandi, #41).

To this end, anyone wishing to receive a Pastoral Reference Letter as part of their application for employment in a Catholic school board must be known to the pastor here by their regular attendance at Sunday Mass (i.e. weekly). To those who are going away for teacher's college, a letter may be obtained from the pastor of the church where you go to school. If you are the parent of a student away at teachers' college, kindly ensure that your child knows that reference letters can only be given to those who are actively involved in the life of this parish.

Please pray for all involved in the wonderful work of Catholic education

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

<http://StPatricksBR.archtoronto.org/sacraments>

Updates are frequently sent to families via e-mail. Please make sure you check both your inbox and your junk/spam folder for messages from the parish office regarding the Sacraments.



FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATIONS

Parents should now be completing the learning component that was given out at the second session. These will be collected at the next session.

Next Session: Saturday 27 January 2024



CONFIRMATION PREPARATIONS

Families should now be working on the materials given out at the second session. These will be checked and collected at the next session.

Next Session: Saturday 13 January 2024

ACROSS THE ARCHDIOCESE



ARCHDIOCESE UPDATES ON THE STATUS OF THE INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

On 12 December 2023 the Archdiocese of Toronto announced the first phase of funding as part of our \$6 million commitment to the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF). Through the tremendous generosity of parishioners throughout the archdiocese, including our own parish, more than \$2.7 million has been directed through the IRF to organizations and projects committed to promoting healing and reconciliation for communities and families.

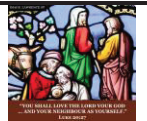
Recipients include Teach For Canada – Gakinaamaage located in Toronto, Ontario that will receive \$450,000 over three years. The funds will be used for their initiative to invest in local educators in First Nations schools in remote locations, benefitting more than 4,300 students annually.

Thank you for your continued prayers and ongoing support as we journey together on the path of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land.

Visit <http://archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation> for more information about this fund as well as other Archdiocesan ministries and initiatives for Indigenous peoples.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 17 to 25 January 2024



ANNUAL PRAYER SERVICE

This year's ecumenical service will be on **Sunday 21 January 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at Saint Mark's Coptic Orthodox Cathedral in Markham.** Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.



Jesus is born in our midst; he is God with us. He comes to accompany our daily lives, to share with us in all things: our joys and sorrows, our hopes and fears.

POPE FRANCIS, from the URBI ET ORBI address of 25 December 2022

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