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December 12, 2021

Third Sunday in Advent

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Liz Rybka

Office Administrator

Olga Calderon

Office Secretary

Katty La Fuente

Bookkeeper

Jazmin Oliveira



Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

Fridays : 9:00am

Holy Hour 6:00pm

Mass 7:00pm

Sunday Eucharist

Saturdays 5:00pm and 6:30pm

Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am,

11:00am, 12:30pm and

2:00pm - Spanish Mass

Livestream Masses:

Daily at 9:00am (English)

Sundays at 11:00am (English)

2:00pm (Spanish)

Reconciliation

Fridays 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturdays 9:45am - 11:00am

**The Third Sunday
of Advent**



Advent Day of CONFESSIONS



Friday December 17th
From 5pm to 7pm

Saturday December 18th
From 9:45am to 12noon

Tuesday December 21st
From 10am to 12noon and
5pm to 7pm

Wednesday December 22nd
From 10am to 12noon and 5pm to 7pm

Parish Schools

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St. Kevin 905-450-0571
Bishop F. Allen 905-457-4677
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Office hours:

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
9:30am to 5:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:30am to 8:00pm

Church Open to Prayer

Monday to Friday
8:00am to 8:00pm

Saturdays
8:00am to 4:00pm



Dec. 13th - 19th

Monday - December 13th

St. Lucy of Syracuse

9:00 am - Mass

- Maria and Joseph Bernardo †

Tuesday - December 14th

St. John of the Cross

9:00 am - Mass

- Carlos Revelo †

Wednesday - December 15th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

- Thanksgiving
- Rego fam. †
- Jose Manuel Cabral †
- Leah Rybka †

Thursday - December 16th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

- Morris Family †

Friday - December 17th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

- John Cullum †

7:00 pm - Mass

- Alex & Elizabeth Stoppa †

Saturday - December 18th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

- Bernadine D'Mello (SI)
- Antonio Feliciano †
- Joe Tavares †
- Daniel Viveiros †

Sunday - December 19th

Ferial



Let us Pray

For all the sick in our Community

For the Recently Deceased

- Teofilo Amaral Branco
- Kevin Douglas-Powell
- Leah Rybka

Parish Life

Saying Goodbye to our Office Administrator, Olga Calderon

It is always hard to say goodbye, and this is the case we must do for our wonderful Office Administrator, Olga Calderon.

Olga will be leaving our parish to take up a new ministry of service at St. Ignatius Loyola in Mississauga, at the end of this month.

For the last four years Olga has been a faithful and wonderful servant of the Lord in our parish office. She has guided our office through the Covid-19 pandemic and remained committed to have parishioners stay connected to St. Mary's with her E-Newsletter that she would produce weekly.

We staff, priests and deacons, will miss Olga's smiling face and her dedication to excellence in serving the parishioners of St. Mary's. We wish Olga continued success at her new church of ministry and hope she will not forget to visit us from time to time.

Olga, thank you for sharing your gifts and talents, your laughter, kindness and dedication to us, staff members and to all our parishioners who encountered you via phone, email and face to face.

May God bless you and keep you in His tender care. We will miss you very much.

Blessings,

Fr. Liborio, the staff, and Parishioners of St. Mary's



E-Newsletter update

Starting January 2022 the E-Newsletter will be sent to you through our website. We ask you to please register as soon as possible so you don't miss the information and inspiring links that will help you to grow in your Catholic faith.

To visit our website [Click Here](#) open "Contact Us" then "Sign Up" and select "Parish Bulletin" and "Subscribe"

2022 Envelopes



The 2022 Envelopes are available for pick up at the back of the church and by the exit doors. Boxes will not have your name on them this year; rather, on the first three envelopes you use, **print your full name, mailing address and phone number clearly** and you will be assigned the number on the box.

Starting January 1, 2022 you can start using your 2022 envelopes

During 2022 DO NOT use your 2021 envelopes, if you do, your donation will be credited to someone else.

Registration is Required through [EventBrite](#) to attend Sunday Masses

Visit our Parish website to register or call the Parish Office for support.

The Church will be open 30 min before each Mass

Thank You for your Offering!

December 5, 2021

Regular Collection

\$10,254.20

Around our Church and our Community

First Communion and Confirmation UPDATE

For those families who are inquiring about our First Communion and Confirmation program, please see registration links below. **Registration will end on December 31, 2021**

**Fr. Liborio's First Communion and Confirmation
[Registration video](#)**

First Communion [To Register Click Here](#)

Confirmation [To Register Click Here](#)

You can also find this information on our parish media platforms (i.e. Parish Website, YouTube and Facebook channels), E-Newsletter (bulletin) and during our parish announcements at the end of our Sunday masses.



“This Christmas season, we are asking our parishioners to **help in our Christmas decorations** by offering to bring Red or White Poinsettias, Christmas Cacti or potted flowers for the Church. If you wish to dedicate your flowers to someone who has passed away, please put the name in the pot. **Please drop off your Poinsettias from Dec 12 to Dec 19** to the area located **behind the Altar sanctuary of the church.**

Thank you for your generosity! God Bless.

The Liturgical Decoration Team”

Drive-by collection for the Knight's Table

On the weekend of **December 11 and 12**, before or after each mass, the **Catholic Women's League will be holding a drive-by collection for the Knight's Table.** They are in need of hygiene products and have asked for them instead of a food drive this year.

A “Hygiene Kit” is made up of the following: 4-pack of toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, soap bars, shampoo, conditioner, feminine hygiene products (pads).

You may donate a full kit or any part of it. If you make a monetary donation, cheques should be made out to the Knights Table and include your full mailing address if you require a tax receipt.

Consecration to the Holy Family

The Knights of Columbus ask our fellow parishioners to join us for a week of Consecration to The Holy Family:



December 26-January 2. A consecration is an 'association with the sacred'; in this case devoting anyone's family to the Holy Family. With this act of humility, we ask for the aid & intercession of the perfect Son; Jesus Christ, the Virgin Mary; the perfect mother, and St. Joseph; who is the model for every father. Through their intercession we hope that they can help us imitate the Holy Family so that our

entire family may all enter Heaven. Prayer cards will be distributed on the Feast of The Holy Family; Dec. 26th. Families are encouraged to spend some time leading up to the consecration praying together, fasting, doing alms and going to confession. For more information **please call Maurice Smith 905-454-2458**

An Advent Day of Recollection: Lectio Divina: The Believers and Worshippers in the Lucan Narrative of Jesus' Birth

Saturday, December 11, 2021 – 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
St. Francis Centre 208501 Highway 9, Caledon
NORTHERN REGION

Facilitator: Fr. Frank Carpinelli. We want to appreciate the beautiful people whom we find in the Lucan narrative of Jesus birth – people steeped in the faith of their ancestors and deeply devoted to the worship of God in the Temple of Jerusalem. We want to identify with the faith and piety of Elizabeth and Zechariah, Mary and Joseph, the shepherds, Simeon and Anna, to share their spirit and to recall the people in our lives as we grew up who shared their spirit and wanted to share that spirit with us.

Please call ahead to reserve your spot, as the conference is limited to 24 participants.

CONTACT: Lina **PHONE:** 519-941-1747

COST: \$40, includes hot lunch

Religious Article Store

Please enter via the Parish Hall entrance.

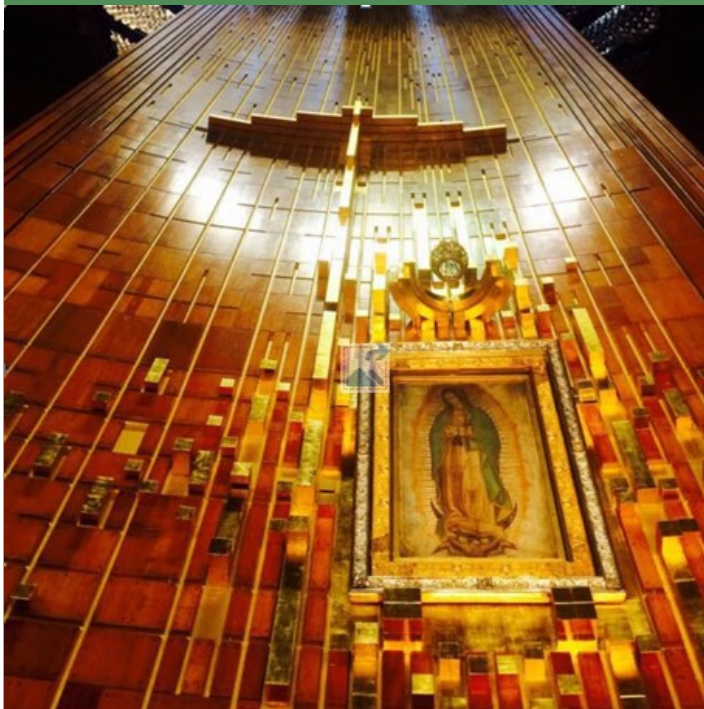
- ◆ **After the Saturday 5:00pm mass until 6:25pm**
- ◆ **After the Sunday 8:00am mass until 9:25am**
- ◆ **After the Sunday 11:00am mass until 12:25pm**

We have a good selection of religious gifts and cards for all occasions, including First Communion. Our volunteers will be happy to help you.

Please wear your mask and follow physical distancing.

Date	Feast	Time
Friday Dec. 24th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Eve	5:00 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:00 pm (in Spanish) and 9:30 pm. <u>Note:</u> There is NO Midnight Mass this year
Saturday Dec. 25th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Day	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm (in Spanish) <u>Note:</u> No 5pm and 6:30pm evening Masses
Sunday Dec. 26th <i>Office Closed</i>	Feast of the Holy Family	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm (in Spanish)
Monday Dec. 27th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Tuesday Dec. 28th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Wednesday Dec. 29th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Thursday Dec. 30th <i>Office Closed</i>	Christmas Weekday	9:00 am Morning Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Friday Dec. 31st <i>Office Closed</i>	Vigil: Feast Day of Mary the Mother of God	9:00 am Morning Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00am am to 4:00pm Vigil Masses: 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm
Saturday Jan. 1st, 2022 <i>Office Closed</i>	Feast day of Mary the Mother of God	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm (in Spanish) <u>Note:</u> No 5pm and 6:30pm evening Masses
Sunday Jan. 2nd, 2022 <i>Office Closed</i>	Epiphany of Our Lord	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30pm and 2:00 pm (in Spanish)

Around our Church and our Community



Our Lady of Guadalupe, your miraculous image was made possible because of the humble cooperation of Saint Juan Diego. May our work in the mission fields of everyday life be as fruitful as your own. May we cooperate with you just as Juan did.

Young Adults Ministry

St. Mary's Parish is running a young adults ministry for ages 18-39.

We meet bi-weekly holding faith studies and a monthly social/outing. Our meetings take place at the parish and occasionally online. Our mission is to provide a fun, friendly, safe place to learn, grow, and serve the Lord with God being in the center of everything we do.

Let's strive for holiness with prayer, praise & worship, faith-studies, socials, movies, and outings in fellowship with one another, embodying the Church.

If you're interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Linda at lindavieira8@hotmail.com

Smile, God Loves you!

Catholic Women's League Meeting + Christmas Social

The Catholic Women's League invites **their members and perspective members** to join them for a meeting + Christmas Social on **Saturday December 11th** following the 9 am Mass. Meeting + social will be held in the hall.

Members will have an opportunity to **renew their 2022 membership**. **Cost of membership is \$30.00.**

Please bring a donation(s) of hygiene products for the Knights Table.

All Covid-19 protocols will be followed, all attendees must wear a mask.

The Columbian Squires is a youth organization for Catholic **men ages 10 to 18**, and operates under the guidance of the Knights of Columbus. The Squires have fun and share their Catholic faith, help people in need, and enjoy the company of friends in social, family, athletic, cultural, civic and spiritual activities. Through their local circle, Squires work and socialize as a group of friends, elect their own officers, and develop into Catholic leaders. We also provide community service hours which can be earned through participation and commitment.

Our meetings are currently mainly online for the safety of the Squires and everyone else. If our organization interests you and you would like to join us or have any questions about Squires, please call 905-866-9630 or email us at tom.manoj@yahoo.com. We also have a discord server where we post announcements and upcoming events. [Click here](#) if you are interested in joining our discord server.

Thank you and God bless.



Religious Education and Faith Formation

What Did Mary Do for Advent?

In this introductory video, you will meet the hosts, Fr. Mark Toups, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, and Fr. Josh Johnson as they share their own encounters with Mary and the effect she has had on their lives. This video will put you in the frame of mind to see Advent through Mary's eyes as you wait with her for the birth of her son, Jesus.

[Video](#)



Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did?

Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

Prayer in Time of COVID

Gracious God, you who are the author of all life, and who desire the well-being of all people, during these dark days of COVID-19, increase in us, respect and reverence for all human life.

Grant restored health to the sick, comfort and hope to the dying, eternal peace for those who have died, strength to family members, relatives, clergy, friends and volunteers, renewed energy to hospital workers, PSWs, nurses and doctors, and perseverance to all in the health care professions.

Grant wisdom to scientists for the development of effective and moral vaccines, discernment and right judgment for legislators, aid to the discouraged, poor and vulnerable, courage and justice for front-line workers and all who risk their lives for the benefit of others, and keep always in our minds the vision of the true common good of all the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB

3 Minute Prayer Retreat



In the Name of the Lord

Blessed are we who live our lives in the name of the Lord. But do we always remember what it means to be a disciple?

[English](#)

[Español](#)

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor

A priest's love of God is purified by the blue flames of contemplation and mistreatment

Saint John was born into poverty and so was no stranger to need. He was raised by his mother and the Church after his father died at a young age. These two mothers imparted to his mind a solid formation in Catholic doctrine and to his soul an ardent love for the Lord Jesus. John was ordained a priest for the Carmelites in 1567. He loved solitude and contemplation and so considered entering the strictest of Orders, the Carthusians. But holy people cross paths, and a chance meeting with Saint Teresa of Ávila redirected John's vocation.



[Click Here to Learn More](#)

7 BOOKS EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD READ



In this episode of The Catholic Talk Show, the guys are joined by Brandon Vogt from Word on Fire Ministries to discuss essential books that every Catholic should read.

Brandon's Top 7 Books

- Early Christian Writings – Various Church Fathers
- Confessions – St. Augustine
- Summa of the Summa – Peter Kreeft
- Orthodoxy – G.K. Chesterton
- Lord of the Rings – J.R.R. Tolkien
- To Know Christ Jesus – Frank Sheed
- Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith – Bishop Robert Barron

[Podcast - Click Here](#)

Family Corner

Reflection for Week 3: **Mary's Impossible Dream**



In the musical “Man of La Mancha,” when Dulcinea asks Don Quixote what it means to “follow his quest,” he responds by singing “The Impossible Dream.” Mary, who awaited the birth of Jesus some 2,000 years ago just as we do this

Advent, could have written the song. She certainly lived it.

[Learn More](#)

Arts & Faith: **Week 3 of Advent**

The depiction of the fig tree offers us an image of hope. It is no longer the barren fig tree that stands accused. Rather it has already been tended to by Christ—the spade and bucket rest by the trunk of the tree already having been used to bring the tree back to life. Signs of life spring forth as leaves sprout from the gnarled branches. This tree is going to live and bear fruit, because Christ has given it life.



VIDEO

[Walking with Jesus:
The Rosary Prayers
in Song](#)

[Español](#)



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[Movie
TIME](#)

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Saint Barbara: Convert and Martyr of the Early Church



Barbara is the beautiful, twenty-year old daughter of Dioscoro, the Roman governor during a time of fierce Christian persecution in 303 AD. She is a pagan, but when Giuliana, a slave

raised alongside her almost like a sister, is condemned to death for her Christian faith, Barbara rebels.

Before her death, Barbara discovers she has journeyed down the same path as her mother, who was taken from her as a child for having made the same choice to become a Christian, something...

[Español](#)

[MOVIE
Time](#)

Prayer for Advent

My hidden Lord Jesus, I love You and thank You with profound gratitude for uniting Yourself with fallen humanity. When You first entered into this world, You remained hidden for nine months in the immaculate womb of Your Blessed Mother. She carried You, body and blood, soul and divinity, within the sanctuary of her body. She also carried You within her heart as a result of her perfect love for You and her perfect obedience to the will of the Father.

Precious Lord, as I embrace this Advent Season, please open my eyes to see the great value and blessing of Your Incarnation. Help me to discover Your hidden presence in this world and within my own soul. I desire to see, understand and experience the profound effects that Your Incarnation has on my life and I desire to receive those effects more fully this Advent. May I become a sanctuary in which You dwell so that I, like Your dear Mother, may bring Your presence into the world.

My loving Jesus, I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God. I abandon myself to You and seek to put all my trust in Your tender care. Draw me close to You and free me from my sin so that I may love You with a pure and holy heart.

Mother Mary, as You carried your dear Son in your immaculate womb, you also carried Him in your heart. Pray for me, this Advent, that I may surrender myself to the will of the Father in imitation of you. You said “Yes” to all that God asked of you and never hesitated to fully embrace His divine will. Pray that I may imitate your perfect example so as to share a deeper union with you and your divine Son.

Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus!

Amen.

Oración de Adviento


Bendito eres tú, Oh Señor, nuestro Dios, rey del universo.
Enviaste a tu Hijo para ser la Luz del mundo y para difundir su luz de amor a todo el mundo.

Al encender las velas de la corona Que su resplandor nos recuerde la presencia cercana de tu Hijo
Así al aproximarse el día de su venida nos
Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor

Amén

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