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#### Dec 18, 2022

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Rev. Liborio Amaral

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Rev. Edgar Romero

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Franciscus Sukardi Douglas Asselstine

#### **Acting Office Manager**

Dora Batres de Mejia

#### **Office Secretary**

Katty La Fuente

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Jazmin Oliveira

#### **Daily Mass Schedule**

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

Fridays 9:00am Holy Hour 6:00pm Mass 7:00pm

#### Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm

#### **Sunday Eucharist**

Saturdays 5:00pm Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm and 2:00pm - Spanish Mass

#### Reconciliation

Fridays 6:00pm - 7:00pm Saturdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**



#### **Parish Schools**

 St. Mary
 905-451-1020

 St. Francis Xavier
 905-459-0646

 St. Kevin
 905-450-0571

 Bishop F. Allen
 905-457-4677

 Cardinal Leger S.S.
 905-453-2232

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

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

Note: Office is closed for lunch from 1:00pm to 2:00pm

#### **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm



Dec 19<sup>th</sup> - Dec 25<sup>th</sup>

#### Monday - Dec 19<sup>th</sup>

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Rita & Theresa Cini †

#### Tuesday - Dec 20th

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Lorraine & Gerry Stokes †

#### Wednesday - Dec 21st

St. Peter Canisius

#### 9:00 am - Mass

- Eucharistico Cassar †
- Gladys Pinto †
- Patricia Rees †
- Maria & Jose Duarte †

#### Thursday - Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ferial

9:00 am - Mass

• Lee Rosha †

#### Friday - Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

St. John of Kanty

9:00 am - Mass

• Orlando Payawal †

7:00 pm - Mass

• Maria Rigutto †

#### Saturday - Dec 24th

Christmas Eve

9:00 am - Mass

Christmas Eve Masses 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm & 9:00 pm (Spanish)

#### Sunday - Dec 25th

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Day Masses 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 noon & 2:00pm (Spanish)



Let us Pray

For the Sick in our Community

Alice Howell

#### For the Recently Deceased

- Gihozo Ndayishimye
- Margaret Young
- Simon Hecks
- Ann Onyschuk

### Parish Life

Dear sisters and brothers in the Lord,

Next month I will introduce a series of Sermons that will focus on "The Eucharist/Mass". I am pleading for your prayers, that I may respond the will of the Holy Spirit in my preparations, so that I might be able to transmit the gift that the Eucharist is for all of us and the Cosmic Universe.

The Eucharist is the most important topic that I can share with you and with our parish community – there is

nothing greater that can change the heart of a person and the course of history, than the Eucharist. It is the POWER of God.

One of the most important statements of truth that was presented to us at the <u>Second Vatican Council</u>, was that the Eucharist is the "Source and Summit of the Christian Life" (Lumen Gentium No.11).

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reaffirms Vatican II and develops it further by stating that "The Eucharist is 'the source and summit" of the Christian life.' The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch." (1324).

If you have family members who don't go to mass on a regular basis, you might want to let them know about this series of Sermons I will be introducing in Mid-January. Invite them to join us at the Eucharistic Sacrifice of our Lord so that they may come to know the beauty and importance of the Eucharist. If you are parents or grandparents of children who have stopped going to mass, you might want to tell them that your gift for Christmas from them, would be that they come to mass and participate in these series of Sermons I will be presenting. Just a thought for you to consider.

Blessings,

Fr. Liborio

P.S. Enjoy your last week of Advent and continue to pray for the Coming of Jesus Christ.

## Advent Confession Times at Our Parish

From Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 am to 12:00 noon and 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm



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#### **Advent Confession Times at Other Parishes Around the Community**

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St. John Fisher Parish 300 Balmoral Dr., Brampton	I Wadnesdow I lee 715	9:30am - 10:00am & 6:30pm	
2490 Sandalwood Pkwy East, Brampton	Tuesday, Dec 20 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday, Dec 21 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday, Dec 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00pm - 6:45pm 10:00am - 12:00pm & 5:00pm - 6:45pm 5:00pm - 6:45pm	

#### **Keep Christ in Christmas!**

The Knights of Columbus have some remaining inventory of Keep Christ in Christmas Lawn Signs and Car Magnets. (The magnets will adhere to any metal surface such as a fridge or mail box.) Lawn signs are \$10 and car magnets are \$7. If you would like to obtain one of these items, please email Jim Caldwell at <a href="mailto:jcaldwell5@rogers.com">jcaldwell5@rogers.com</a> or text/call (647) 468-1559.

#### **Christmas Flower Donations**



This Christmas season, we are asking our parishioners to help in our Christmas decorations by bringing 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 15<sup>th</sup>- Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> behind the altar.

Thank you for your generosity. God Bless - The Liturgical Decoration Team

Dec 11th, 2022 - Regular Collection \$8,3473.50. Thank You for your Offering!



# St. Mary's Christmas Schedule 2022-2023



Date	Feast	Time	
Saturday Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup> Office Closed	Christmas Eve	5:00 pm, 7:00 pm & 9:00 pm (Spanish) <u>Note</u> : There is NO Midnight Mass	
Sunday Dec.25 <sup>th</sup> Office Closed	Christmas Day	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm (Spanish)	
Monday Dec. 26 <sup>th</sup> Office Closed	St. Stephen	9:00 am <u>Note</u> : Church will be close after mass	
Tuesday Dec. 27 <sup>th</sup> Office Closed	St. John	9:00 am Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	
Wednesday Dec. 28 <sup>th</sup>	The Holy	9:00 am Mass Church open for private prayer	
Office Closed	Innocents	from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	
Thursday Dec. 29 <sup>th</sup>	St. Thomas	9:00 am Mass  Church open for private prayer	
Office Closed	Becket	from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	
Friday Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of the	9:00 am Mass	
Office Open from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm	Holy Family	Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	
Saturday Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup> Office Closed	Vigil: Feast Day of Mary the Mother of God	9:00 am Mass Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm	
Sunday Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2023 <i>Office Closed</i>	Feast day of Mary the Mother of God	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm 2:00 pm (Spanish)	
Monday Jan. 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2023 Office Closed	Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Narianzen	9:00 am Mass Church open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	
Tuesday Jan. 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2023 Office Opened from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	9:00 am Mass	

The Christmas season ends with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord on January 9<sup>th</sup>. We hope you are able to fill your heart with Hope, Love, Joy and Peace; gifts which only the King of Kings can give.

## Around our Church and our Community

St. Jerome Parish

# MINI CHRISTMAS BAZAAR &BAKE SALE

SATURDAY DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10:00 AM TO 2:00 PM



We have Christmas ornaments, stocking stuffers, handmade crafts, religious articles, a Bake Sale, penny raffles and games of chance with prizes for children aged 6-12.

Free apple cider, tea and coffee for all who attend.
Please plan to join us and share some Christmas cheer!

All funds raised will go to our Parish Maintenance Fund



On the Road to Union with God Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 7:00pm to 1:00pm

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. Generally, there are three broad recognizable stages as we grow closer to God: the Purgative stage, the Illuminative stage, and the Unitive stage. We will explore this journey with the help of the life of the saint who were persons like you and me who had to get in touch with their own human frailty along their own unique life-journey. The hope is that the retreatant comes to a higher understanding of self in relation to our infinite loving and merciful God in the context of their own earthly life-journey.

Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ.

A suggested offering of \$245 per person.

Includes 2 nights accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

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#### Join the Campaign for Compassion

The expansion of euthanasia is threatening the lives of Canadians who don't have access to sufficient services to live. Your fellow Canadians need your help. Tell your elected officials that Canadians with life-threatening conditions, disabilities, and mental illness deserve real government investment in services and supports so they can live.

Write to your provincial representative today at www.nooptionsnochoice.com

With your help, we can get Canadians the support they need to LIVE.

Spirituality of the 12 Step for Men January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 at 1:00pm



MEN 12 STEP – Join a journey that will take you through the 12 Steps of recovery (AA) allowing you to strengthen a deeper spirituality within yourself. This retreat tends to be ecumenical with many non-Catholics in attendance. This is truly a spiritual approach for everyone.

Suggested Offering \$245.00

Facilitated by Kathy Dempsey and our Retreat Team.

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## Religious Education and Faith Formation



#### St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor

Patron Saint of Germany

A zealous Jesuit is the tip of the Counter-Reformation spear in Central Europe

The deep impact of St. Peter so shook Germany that the reverberations of his work were still being felt centuries after his death. Saint Peter Canisius

composed question and answer German-language catechisms for every educational level. These catechisms were clear, scriptural, and of the purest doctrine. Hundreds of editions were printed during his own lifetime and for centuries afterwards. Pope Benedict XVI, a German, said that in his father's generation in the last half of the nineteenth century, a catechism in Germany was still known simply as "the Canisius." This was three hundred years after Peter Canisius had died! If Saint Boniface was the Apostle of Germany in the eighth century, then Saint Peter Canisius was the Catechist of Germany in the sixteenth.

Saint Peter, God raised you up at the right time to save the faith in Central Europe. Your even temper, broad knowledge, life of prayer, and personal virtue brought lost sheep back into the fold. From heaven, help all priests, deacons, and teachers to do the same.

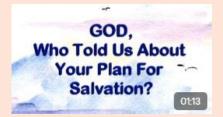
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God gives Moses the Ten Commandments and continues to spread His message through the prophets.

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The Gift by Dr. Tim Gray



It's easy to lose sight of the real story of the Magi amidst the figurines, the television renditions, and the carols about the three "oriental kings." This study looks at the biblical account and gives a proper context for a truly meaningful celebration of joy through sacrificial giving. Presented by Dr. Tim Gray.

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