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# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.



(At time of printing) Dec 30<sup>th</sup> – Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

#### Monday - Dec 30<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am - Mass

• Gerard Boudreau †

#### Tuesday – Dec 31st

The Holy Family

9:00 am - Mass

#### Wednesday—Jan 1st

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God 9:00 am - Mass

#### Thursday - Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>

St. Basil the Great 9:00 am - Mass

#### Friday - Jan 3rd

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

9:00 am - Mass

7:00 pm—Mass

• Carletto Segota †

#### Saturday - Jan 4th

Holy Innocents

#### 9:00 am - Mass

- Albert Kumer †
- Manuel Lago †
- Martha Palacios †
- Rosalind Stoke & Family (SI)
- Gail Ruttle (SI)
- Maria & Adamo DeGaspeis

#### Sunday - Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

St. Thomas

#### 2:00 pm - Spanish Mass

- Rolando Guruceta (SI)
- Valeria Aliendres (SI)



Let us Pray

For the Sick in our Community For the Recently Deceased

## Parish Life

## The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of January



For the right to an education ~ Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

#### 2025 Sunday Offertory Envelopes are Available Now!

What you should know:

- 1. Pick up any box at one of the Church's exits.
- 2. Commence using your new envelopes on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
- 3. Update your information by filling in the Information Card and your Sunday envelopes for each of the next three Sundays.
- 4. The number on the box you chose is your new number for the entire year and will be the number used to issue your tax receipt at the end of 2025.
- 5.PLEASE destroy all envelopes from previous years. As of January 1<sup>st</sup> you won't be registered under any other number - only your new 2025 number.



#### **Confirmation Candidates Enrollment Ceremony**

Confirmation Candidates, remember to begin your Confirmation preparation program by attending the enrollment ceremony at one of the Masses on the weekend of  $January\ 11^{th}$  /  $12^{th}$ . You will receive an email in advance with an attachment. Write your name on it and bring it to Mass.

Please also note, the first catechesis meeting will be the following weekend Saturday January 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Kindly remember to arrive 10 minutes early.

We look forward to seeing all of you.

#### **Knit One / Crochet Too**

Our knitting group will reconvene on January 9th, 2025. Ladies of our parish have the opportunity to learn to knit and crochet or improve your skill in a friendly and fun environment. If you are already accomplished in these skills, we welcome you to share your expertise.



Dates: January 9th & 23rd from 9.30 am to noon in Our Lady of Fatima room ( weather permitting )

Hope to see you there!

#### Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope



The origins of the Jubilee Year go back to the Old Testament. According to Leviticus 25:8-25, Jubilee Years were times when debts were forgiven, slaves were set free, families were restored to their ancestral inheritance, and the whole nation of Israel was to rest in God's blessing. This has been a tradition dating back to the year 1300 when Pope Boniface VIII announced the first Jubilee, which is also referred to as a "Holy Year". The frequency has changed over time, with a Jubilee year originally celebrated every 100 years, later every 50 years and, more recently, every 25

years or at the request of the Holy Father. The Jubilee Year includes many celebrations within the city of Rome and also local initiatives in dioceses around the world. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee will be "Pilgrims of Hope".

In the words of Pope Francis: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision."

Thank you for your Donations - Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> Coll.: \$15,613.70 Christmas Coll.: \$21,570.20 Dec. 29th Regular Coll.: \$12,576.60

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### Fellowship Sunday, January 11th / 12th

Join us for fellowship after each Sunday Mass on January 11<sup>th</sup> / 12<sup>th</sup>, come meet fellow parishioners or catch up with old friends.



Hope to see you there!



#### **Parish Bulletin Advertising**

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#### Calling All Young Adults!



St. Mary's Parish is running a young adults ministry for ages 19-39. They meet bi-weekly holding faith studies, socials, and recreational outings that help to foster good friendships and strengthen your Catholic faith. If you are looking for a young adult faith-filled community, to learn how to get involved, please email us at

stmarys.youngadults2020@gmail.com



#### **Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2025**

When: Sunday, January 19th, 2025, 4 p.m.

Venue: North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.)

377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7. Theme: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26)

Join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto) and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches and celebrates the 1,700th anniversary of the Ecumenical Council of Nicaea.

#### **Epiphany of the Lord**



"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email: <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u> <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca</u>



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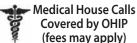


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