

# **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, December 31

No Saturday Morning Mass

## Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation

5:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Brian Gordon 7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Catherine Fountain

# New Year 2023



#### The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God Sunday, January 1, World Day of Peace

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass: + Angelina Spina 9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: +Yvon Beaulieu 9:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Mass: + Bob McDougal

9:30 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass:

**Deceased Yang Family Members** 

11:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Brian Gordon 11:00 a.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Henry VanDyk

Monday, January 2

St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen Bishops, Doctors 9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Ed Forman

Tuesday, January 3

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Terry Finn

Wednesday, January 4

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Paul Tjioe

Thursday, January 5

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: Arline Ransom

Friday, January 6

12:10 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass:

Anne, Brian, Brad Waggoner Family Intention

Saturday, January 7 | St. André Bessette, Religious

9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Alan Campbell

5:00 p.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Una Wallace

7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Catherine Fountain

Sunday, January 8 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Sacred Heart Mass: + Angela Spina

9:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass: + Patricia Pausch

9:30 a.m. St. Andrew's Mass:

Martha & Matt Conway's Int.

9:30 a.m. St. Francis of Assisi Mass:

+ Lee Deceased Family Members

11:00 a.m. Guardian Angels Mass:

+ Battalia Deceased Family Members

11:00 a.m. St. Columbkille Mass: + Catherine Fountain

# Readings: The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Numbers 6.22-27

They shall put my name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Galatians 4.4-7

God sent his Son, born of a woman.

**Gospel: Luke 2.16-21** 

They found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. After eight days he was named Jesus.

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

Registration Form for the First Reconciliation and Holy First Communion Preparation, for Grade 2's, is available at the parish office @



gardianangelsor@archtoronto.org or on the website.

## **Marriage Sunday 2023**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+) in 2023. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 12 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto.) All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream mas here: <a href="https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/">https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/</a> The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

#### St. Vincent De Paul Food Bank Vinnie's

Reopen - Tuesday, January 5, 2023



# **Office Holiday Hours**

Parish Office Hours during the holiday will be:

# **January - 2023**

Tuesday, 3 January: Closed

Wednesday, 4 January: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, 5 January: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



#### Calling all children!

Please join us every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Mass for Children's Liturgy. Children will be called to

the front of the Church for a blessing at the beginning of Mass and will be supervised in the basement. Readings from the gospel with themed activities to each week's readings. All children are welcome!

Thank You A huge thank you to all of the wonderful individuals who purchased gift cads for our adopted Christmas families. We surpassed the amount we felt would be needed and due

to your generous Christmas spirit, we were able to adopt an additional family and allow the kindness of the season to be extended even further.

We hope that next year we shall be able to return to our little Christmas tree covered with gift tags and red bows and allow our parishioners help in many ways with his wonderful St. Columbkille tradition. Again, thank you for your generosity of care for our fellow neighbors in providing food clothing and toys-as our Lord said, "when you aid the least of

# **Confessions**

your brothers you do unto me".

Starting in January, confessions will be heard on Fridays at 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 4:50 p.m., or by appointment.

# Knights of Columbus Liquor, Wine, Beer Bottle/Can Collection January 7, 2023, 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Our drop off area is Home Hardware on 5 King Street. Wine, (plastic bag in box wine) Beer Bottle/Can.

Call Bill Brown at 705-796-5443 or e-mail at maxwellbill1951@gmail.com

# Catholic Women's League

Guardian Angels Catholic Women's League will host their General Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, in the parish hall following the 12:10 p.m. Mass. Ladies please join us. Our Guest Speaker will be an Officer from the OPP who will speak to us on fraud.

#### The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

From antiquity, Mary has been called "Theotokos", or "God-Bearer" (Mother of God). The Greek term used as part of the popular piety of the early first millennium church. It is used throughout the Eastern Church's Liturgy, both Orthodox and Catholic. It lies at the heart of the Latin Rite's deep Marian piety and devotion. This title was a response to early threats to 'orthodoxy', the preservation of authentic Christian teaching. The Council of Ephesus in 431 A.D., insisted "If anyone does not confess that God is truly Emmanuel, and account the holy virgin is on this the "Theotokos" (for according to the flesh she gave birth to the word of God become flesh by birth) let him be anathema." (The Council of Ephesus, 431 AD)

The Council's insistence on the use of the title reflected an effort to preserve the teaching of the Church that Jesus was both Divine and human, that the two natures were united in His One Person. The Council also insisted on the use of the title (in the Greek) "Theotokos," ("Mother of God" or "Godbearer") to reaffirm the central truth of what occurred in the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. The reason that the early Church Council pronounced this doctrine was "Christological", meaning that it had to do with Jesus Christ.

This wonderful title, Mary, the Mother of God, "Theotokos", reveals a profound truth not only about Mary, but about each one of us. We are now invited into the very relationship that she had with her Son. We can become "God-bearers" and bring Him to all those whom we encounter in our few short days under the sun.

- Excerpts from the www. catholic.org

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we welcome the New Year, we thank Lord our God who has been so good to us in many ways in our lives. We count each of you as great gifts in our lives here at the parish.

We the priests of the Orillia Family of Catholic Churches wish to thank all of you for your prayerful wishes, cards and gifts to us at this Christmas Season. We are truly humbled by your kindness through the year.

May this New Year 2023 bring all of you the best of health, peace and love.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Prasanth George CMI, Fr. Allan Lapay & Fr. Rijo Jose CMI