

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – December 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

**Tuesday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm**  
*Intention of Catherine & Francis Hill*  
Req. by: CWL Sacred Heart parish  
**Wednesday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am**  
*Soul of Umelina DeStefano*  
Req. by: The DeStefano family  
**Thursday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 am**  
*A Personal Intention*  
**Friday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 am**  
*Soul of Nellie Van den Hoogen*  
Req. by: The Van den Hoogen family  
**Saturday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>,**  
**5:00 pm** *Souls of Josephine & Ted Christie*  
Req. by: Jo-Anne Kerr  
**SUNDAY, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>,**  
**9:00 am** *People of the Parish*  
**11:00 am** *Intention of the Silva family*  
Req. by: Rochelle Silva

**CHRISTMAS EVE Masses – Dec 24th**  
**5:00 pm** *People of the Parish*  
**8:00 pm** *People of the Parish*  
**CHRISTMAS DAY, Monday Dec. 25th**  
**9:00 am** *People of the Parish*  
**11:00 am** *People of the Parish*



**DEVOTIONS TO OUR MOTHER  
OF PERPETUAL HELP**  
Every Wednesday after 8:30 am Mass.  
All are welcome.

Dianne Gordon, Daniel Berardi,  
Olier Caron, Fran Pelletier, Gladys  
Turton, Steffan Brunette, Cindy Steffoff, Frank  
Ethier, Margaret Swindells, Susan, Thomas  
Damianopoulos, Nolan Davis, Fr. Joseph  
Rodrigues & Ricki Keyzers .... Also please pray  
for those who take care of them.



**Our Sanctuary Lamp burns  
For a special intention of  
Eileen & Chris Ethier**



**CHURCH IS OPEN FOR  
PRIVATE SILENT PRAYER  
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY  
& FRIDAY  
12 NOON TO 4:00 P.M**

One of the best gifts  
we can give  
ourselves is time  
alone with God.

**COFFEE SUNDAY- Dec. 17, 2023**  
All are welcome to the Church Hall after the 9:00  
and 11:00 am Mass, for some coffee/tea/juice and  
baked treats, and a chance to visit with fellow  
parishioners.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST  
COMMUNION 2024**  
Please pray for the children of our parish as they prepare  
for their First Reconciliation. Classes have begun. Also  
pray for their parents and teachers as they guide them on  
their journey to receive their First Holy Communion.

**CWL GENERAL MEETING DATES**  
All women of the parish are invited to attend.  
December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.  
January 16<sup>th</sup>, February 20<sup>th</sup> & March 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm

**THANK YOU FROM OUR CWL**  
The Catholic Women's League at Sacred Heart  
would like to thank our fellow parishioners for their  
generous donations to the Warmth and Comfort  
Collection. Clothing, food, toiletries and gift cards  
valued at slightly over \$2000 have been delivered to  
North House and Community Living and were  
received with thanks.

**ITEMS NEEDED – KITCHEN TABLE & CHAIRS**  
If you are willing to donate the above for a family  
in need in the Uxbridge area, please contact the  
St. Vincent de Paul Society at 905-904-0928.  
Thank you.

**ADVENT PRAYER**  
Lord Jesus, Master of  
both the light and the  
darkness, send your  
Holy Spirit upon our  
preparations for  
Christmas. We, who  
have so much to do and  
seek quiet spaces to hear  
your voice each day, We, who are anxious over  
many things look forward to your coming  
among us.



**INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND  
UPDATE - On Dec. 12, 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 Wigwamen Terrace located in  
Toronto, Ontario that will receive \$475,000 over  
five years allowing the organization to hire  
additional support staff in order to provide their  
elderly residents with assistance with navigating  
technology, accessing mental health services and  
maintaining connections to Indigenous cultural  
and spiritual communities and resources.  
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. To learn more, visit  
[www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation](http://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation)**

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE**  
**CHRISTMAS EVE – Sun, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**5:00 pm and 8:00 pm**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY – Mon. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**9:00 am and 11:00 am**  
  
**PLEASE NOTE - NO WEEKDAY MASS**  
**Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**  
  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY  
THE MOTHER OF GOD**  
**NEW YEAR'S EVE – Sun. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**  
**5:00 p.m.**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY – Mon. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**  
**9:00 am and 11:00 am**  
  
**RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS**  
**Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:45 am to 11:00 am**  
**Thurs. Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> - 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm**  
**6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**  
**Every Saturday from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm**

**ATTENTION LECTORS/HOSPITALITY  
MINISTERS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**  
Sign-up sheets for the Christmas and New Year's  
Masses are in the sacristy. Please sign up. Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
**Weekend Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent,  
Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup>, and Feast of the Holy Family, Dec.  
30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> will be held as per the regular weekend  
schedule. This year, Advent is as short as it can  
possibly be. The 4th Sunday in Advent is also  
Christmas Eve. You will need to attend a Mass to  
fulfill your Sunday obligation and one to fulfill the  
Christmas Holy Day obligation.**