Mass Star for the Intentions D Week

CHRISTMAS DAY, Monday Dec. 25th 9:00 am People of the Parish 11:00 am People of the Parish

Dec. 26th- 29th -NO WEEKDAY MASS The parish office will be closed

Saturday, Dec. 30th, FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 5:00 pm Soul of Carlo Francesco Sperandio Req. by: The Sperandio family SUNDAY, Dec. 31st, 9:00 am People of the Parish 11:00 am Soul of Philip Humphries Req. by: Jane Brown-Humphries

SOLEMITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD (New Year) Sunday, Dec, 31st 5:00 pm People of the Parish

Monday, January 1st, 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 Stefoff, Frank Ethier, Margaret Swindells, Susan, Thomas Damianopoulos, Nolan Davis, Fr. Joseph Rodrigues, Ricki Keyzers & Bill Paterson Also please pray for those who take care of them.



CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE SILENT PRAYER WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY

12 NOON TO 4:00 P.M

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2024

Please pray for the children of our parish as their 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. January 16th, February 20th & March 19th at 1:00 pm

MARRIAGE SUNDAY – FEB. 11, 2024 Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m.at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica Toronto. All married couples will

have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. **Register:** Marriage Sunday

All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass <u>https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/</u>. The broadcast will begin at 2:45 p.m.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE – Sun, Dec. 24th, 2023 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm CHRISTMAS DAY – Mon. Dec. 25th, 2023 9:00 am and 11:00 am

PLEASE NOTE - NO WEEKDAY MASS Dec. 26th to 29th, 2023 PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD NEW YEAR'S EVE – Sun. Dec. 31st, 2023 5:00 p.m. NEW YEAR'S DAY – Mon. Jan. 1st, 2024 9:00 am and 11:00 am

PLEASE NOTE:

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.

Similarly, the next weekend (Dec. $30^{th}/31^{st}$) is the Feast of the Holy Family and Solemnity of Mary Mother of God (New Year). You will need to attend a Mass to fulfill your Sunday obligation and one to fulfill the obligation for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God (Dec. $31^{st}/Jan 1^{st}$) which is celebrated in Canada on January 1^{st} each year.

ST. AUGUSTINES SEMINARY NEWSLETTER Our fall/winter newsletter "InDeum" is available online, (see pg.12, article about Msgr. Pilkauskas). In Deum Fall Winter 2023 mobile (adobe.com)



ARCHBISHOP LEO'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE Click following link to the video of the Christmas Message

VOCATIONS

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life and she said "Yes!"...and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's Will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to do this as a priest, religious or deacon, call, visit www.vocationstoronto

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Prayer Service Sun. Jan. 21, 2024 at 4 pm Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders. The homilist is H.G. Anba Archilids, General Bishop and Papal Vicar, Coptic Orthodox Archdiocese of Toronto. In this annual celebration we are reminded that the unity of the Church is both a gift of the Holy Spirit and a task for all Christians. All are welcome to attend.