

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, December 18, 2019

10 am until 2 pm and 6 pm until 7:30 pm

Several priests will be available at the above mentioned times and this will also be our Day of Confessions before Christmas

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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 24th

5:30 p.m. - Family with children

7:30 p.m.

12 Midnight

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DECEMBER 25th

7:45 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Italian

10:30 a.m.

12 Noon

NO EVENING MASS

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY**

We will have a bilingual Mass for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Monday, Dec. 9, 2019 at 7:30 pm. A candlelight procession followed by a pot luck dinner in the parish hall has been planned.

Everyone is invited.

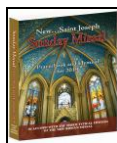
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PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes for the year 2020 are **available in the parish hall.** They are displayed numerically so please make sure you know your number when you come into the hall. Please **DO NOT** start using your envelopes until the new year and at that time throw away any remaining 2019 envelopes.

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2020 SUNDAY MISSALS

The 2020 Sunday Missals are available in the parish office at a cost of \$5.00 per book.

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FORMED

FORMED is a web-based digital platform, designed to help adults to grow in their faith and in their lives. FREE to all parishioners & your families. **Register at FORMED.org**

Code: MF473



Monday: 09 December 2019

9:30 am Giovanna Moscato

Tuesday: 10 December 2019

9:30 am Teresa & Stan Smith

Wednesday: 11 December 2019

9:30 am Ingrid Quickert

7:30 pm Henri Li Pak Tong

Vito Suppa

Antonietta Cutajar

Lawrence Litzinger

Marta Vitale, Bruno Commodari

Motovan & Soncin Families

Zuccaro & Cabral Families

Aiello & Di Iorio Families

Campbell & Jovanovich Families

Thanksgiving to God

Thursday: 12 December 2019

9:30 am Nicola Fonte

Friday: 13 December 2019

9:30 am Mato Pavlakovic

Saturday: 14 December 2019

9:30 am Vincent Micallef

5:30 pm Hyacinth Todd, Christina & Cynthia
Todd, Alexander Todd,

Dominic Barillari

Sunday: 15 December 2019

7:45am David Romain

9:00am Vito Montesano, Marinario Family
Maria Teresa Napoli, Angela Marziano,
Lucia Tomassi, Davina Costabile,
Franco Pastarelli & Metallo Gesomina

10:30am Parishioners of Transfiguration

Francis De Souza, Pat De Caria

Oliver Martinez

12:00pm John ,Rosario & Lina Colosimo

Ciriaco & Vito Grieco, Mario Bellisario

Tomas Jorge Marques

7:00pm Annibale Basso, Octavio & Eliza

Milanese and deceased family members

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**Please remember the following
people in your prayers:**

Theresa Burns, Pat G., Noemy Pereira,
Clint Viegas, Samuel Cordeiro, Arthur Ruston,
Avio Carboni, Raphael Colaco, Victor Colaco,

James Ernst, Sophia Coleman, Dana McGrath,
Roman Joe Zakrajse & Olivia Balsam

**THE SOCIETY OF
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

If you would like to sponsor a family, please leave your name and phone number at the parish office and one of our members will get in touch with you. As always your support is greatly appreciated.

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**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
COLUMBIAN SQUIRES CIRCLE 1002**

Our Columbian Squires Circle invite parishioners to help decorate our Christmas Tree at the church entrance on the weekend of December 14th /15th. Bring in an ornament or decoration and place it on the tree. Parishioners are invited to join us after the 12:00 noon Mass on December 15th around the tree and share in a brief prayer service.

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Preparations for the annual Children's Christmas Play have begun! The Christmas Play will take place during the 5:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass on December 24, 2019. All practices will be held every Sunday leading up to Christmas Eve from 1-2 pm on the following dates:

December 8th, 15th & 22nd.

All children are invited to come out and participate.

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The Outreach program will be collecting men's new underwear, socks, vaseline, baby oil, kleenex, toothpaste, toothbrushes razors, & shaving cream. Please place your donated items in the blue box in the waiting room.

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CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

All women in the parish age 16 and over are invited & encouraged to join. Paid memberships received before Tuesday, December 10, 2019 are eligible for the free Membership Draw. The cost is \$25.00. Complete the following, put it in an envelope & leave it in the parish office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____

Kindly note that Tuesday, December 10th at

7 pm in the parish hall is the CWL Recognition Evening and Christmas Celebration.

**WESTERN REGION
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

Christmas Semi-Formal Dance

Saturday, December 14th at 7:00 pm

Shine your shoes, dress-up and get your groove on because Spiritus Vitae, the Western Regional Young Adult Ministry, is celebrating the birth of Jesus with a semi-formal dance at

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish Hall.

Tickets are available through the parish office for \$20.00 each. It includes your dinner, dance, 2 drinks and a raffle entry for the opportunity to win awesome prizes. You will have the opportunity to buy more raffle tickets at the dance!

Contact: Georgina at georgina@ocytoronto.org
Facebook & Instagram: SpiritusVitaeTO

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VOCATION SEEDS

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If God is calling you, please contact

Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,
Call (416)968-0997,

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

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2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Reading: Isaiah 11.1 – 10 2nd Reading: Romans 15.4 - 9
Gospel: Matthew 3.1 - 12 Proclamation of John the Baptist

Advent is a time to prepare for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day as well as his final coming at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our own individual judgment day is coming too, where we will stand before the throne of God and give an account of all the gifts and blessings we have received. Let us take this Advent to re-examine how we are being stewards of the gifts in our lives and recommit to fully living the Gospel.

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CHAPEL

Transfiguration of Our Lord Church is honoured with an opportunity to have an adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours/day, 7 days/week exposed in our chapel for the last 18 years.

If you would like to commit one hour a week or be a "backup" to fill in for the hour that adorers on a regular basis cannot do, please leave your name and contact number in the parish office.

All are welcome to come and pray.



Transfiguration Youth Ministry will be selling Rosaries and T-shirts before and after each weekend Mass until the weekend of December 21st/22nd. Money raised will be going towards off setting future costs of retreats and other Youth Ministry activities for the youth of our parish.

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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MINISTRY

Held bi-weekly on Fridays evenings for Grades 5 to 8 on from 7 pm – 9 pm until June.

The program engages with the youth through snacks, games, skits, teachings, small group discussions and much more.

Sign up at the Parish Office or online.

If you have any questions, please visit transchurch.ca/edge/

December 13th - Christmas Social

December 27th - Christmas Break (No Edge)

January 10th – Body Language

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HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Held bi-weekly on Friday evenings for Grades 9 to 12 from 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm until June. Free registration includes dinner and a Life Teen t-shirt. For more info and to sign up please

visit transchurch.ca/life-teen/

December 20th - Christmas Break (No Life Teen)

January 17th - Pathways & Providence

January 31st – A Time Such as This

and support in this matter. In addition to our weekly blue church maintenance envelopes, we will be also looking at other fundraisers to help pay off the loan. Thank you for generously supporting our parish community.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE ENVELOPE

We would like to request that you continue using the blue donation envelopes that are available in the vestibule and the parish office. As we have to pay back the loan of \$142,000.00 to the Archdiocese for the cost of repaving of our parking lot and the outstanding church assessment, the council has decided that in 2020, a *weekly blue church maintenance envelope* will be included in the box set of donation envelopes. We would greatly appreciate your assistance