

Mass Intentions for the week		
Saturday Dec 16	5:00 pm	<p><b>"On the Occasion of Fidel &amp; Shirley 25th Wedding Anniversary"</b>                      † Rocco Pagniello                      (The Family)                      † Gabriel Coelho                      (The Family)                      † Humbelin Rosales                      (The Family)</p>
Sunday Dec 17	8:30 am	<p>† Biagio Forte                      (Civita Forte &amp; Famiglia)                      † Enzo Spada                      (La Famiglia)</p>
	10:00 am	<p>† Michael March                      (Anna Maria Cerullo)                      † Bruno Pozzobon                      (Anna Maria Cerullo)                      † Aristides Tavares                      (The Family)                      † Adam Lecznar                      (Family &amp; Friends)                      † Deceased De Melo &amp;                      Dos Santos Families</p>
	11:30 am	<b>PRO POPULO</b>
Monday Dec 18	8:00 am	<p><b>"Christina Figuerido Thanksgiving"</b>                      (Tony &amp; Carmen Martins)                      † Kateryna Yanushevsk                      (Daughter Irena Budz)</p>
Tuesday Dec 19	8:00 am	<p>† Valentino, Emilio &amp; Erminia                      Altomare                      (Mafalda Perri)                      † Kateryna Yanushevsk                      (Daughter Irena Budz)</p>
Wednesday Dec 20	7:00 pm	<p><b>"Divine Mercy Circle"</b>                      † Archimedes Reyes                      (Ben &amp; Juliet Taguinod)</p>
Thursday Dec 21	8:00 am	<p>† Deceased Members of the                      Lo Giudice Families"  <b>"In Thanksgiving"</b>                      (Andrew &amp; Irena)</p>
Friday Dec 22	8:00 am	<p><b>"On the Occasion of                      Cristina Celis 13th Birthday"</b>                      (Lula)  <b>"For the Klypych Family"</b>                      (Andrew &amp; Irena)</p>
Saturday Dec 23	5:00 pm	<p>† Marco G. Celis                      (Shirley Hernando)                      † Linda Rose Fletcher                      (Husband John Fletcher)</p>
Sunday Dec 24	8:30 am	<p>† Biagio Forte                      (Civita Forte &amp; Famiglia)</p>
	10:00 am	<p>† Aldo Gemma                      (Lucia Gemma &amp; Family)                      † Maria &amp; Pietro Cerullo                      (Anna Maria Cerullo)                      † Adam Lecznar                      (Family &amp; Friends)</p>
	11:30 am	<b>PRO POPULO</b>
	5:00 pm Christmas Eve	<p>† Adriano C. Rodriguez                      (The Family)                      † Deceased De Melo &amp;                      Dos Santos Families                      † Domenico Veglia                      (The Family)</p>
	7:30 pm Christmas Eve	<p>† Walenty &amp; Jadwiga Gorski                      (Family Member)                      † Helen Sikora                      (Family Member)</p>

**Thank you for your Support!!!**

Whether you volunteered your time, donated baked goods, made a donation, bought floral or baked good, helped with the set up or the clean-up... **THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!** Because of your help we had a remarkable event. Baked Goods, Christmas Flowers, Raffles, Super Delicious Spring Rolls, Gifts and so much more, we netted a profit of \$4,496.00. Many thanks to the many local businesses for their generous gifts that were used in the raffles; special thanks go to **CLAUDETTE PISCIONE** for the enormous amount of work lobbying for donations, **MARIA SIBILIA** for donating 5 beautiful baskets, **LYNORE MORENO** for donating the lottery bundle **BEN & JULIET TAGUINOD** for making the delicious spring rolls and many other that contributed with gifts. Thanks to **SAM PISCIONE** for taking care of the signs, **BRUNO VANIN** for always being available when needed and **WENDI CHREPTAK** who does so much for our Parish. To our volunteers and committee members' a very special **THANK YOU** for the huge amount of work and your generous donations, everyone was truly impressed of the great effort. Merry Christmas to all and God bless **YOU!**



**Collection St. Vincent de Paul**

The second collection this weekend it's for the St. Vincent de Paul in support of the Christmas Outreach Program. Last year at Christmas many people were assisted and we expect to have requests from at least as many of our neighbours in need again this year. It is only through your generosity that we are able to share the Christmas spirit within our community. Please be as generous as you can, envelopes are provided so that tax receipts can be issued for your donations. Write your name, address and envelope number. Thank you!

**Offering Envelopes**



Please pick your new 2018 donation envelopes, they are located on the right side of the church entrance and are arranged in numerical order. A master list is available to help you in your search. If you wish to make any changes or correction or need assistance please call the parish office during the week. Unmarked boxes are available for first time users. In the New Year, we ask that you kindly discard any leftover envelopes from this or previous years. Thank you for your support.

**Offering of Candle**

We wish to say thank you for the \$60.00 donation for the sponsoring of the Sanctuary Lamp from an anonymous parishioner received last week. At this very special time, we wish to thank all our Sanctuary Lamp Sponsors for the donations throughout the year that keep the flame alive reminding us of the "Eternal and everlasting Light"

### Good deeds

Men's & Women's shelters provide clean, washable clothing to people who need them. There is a need for new socks and underwear. Parishioners are asked to purchase sport/work socks and/or underwear, when doing their Christmas shopping, and bring them to the hamper which will be placed inside the entrance of the church. Deacon Alan will ensure they are delivered to the Good Shepherd Centre or other men's/women's shelters. It is remarkable how much joy such a simple act of kindness can bring.

### St. Leo's Website

[www.saintleosmimico.ca](http://www.saintleosmimico.ca) the website provides our parishioners and visitors with the most recent and accurate information. Please explore our website and visit often. The website is updated on a regular basis, with news of events and of what's happening in our community. If you have any thoughts about its content, we welcome your feedback.

### Serra Vocation

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### New Season - New Prayer Book

The new prayer book "St. Joseph's Sunday Missal" for the 2017/2018 season is now available. The cost of the Sunday Missal is \$5.00. Volunteers of the social committee are happy to help you.

### "Campaign Life Coalition Fruit Cakes"

Fruit Cakes in support of Campaign Life Coalition are being sold in the main entrance of the church. Cakes are suitable for gift giving, and are available in 2 sizes; deluxe \$25.00 and regular bar cake \$18.00. Please see the man in charge Mr. Mike Cerullo.

### Offering of Flowers

The flowers that adorn our tabernacle altar are offered on the occasion of Cristina Celis 13<sup>th</sup> birthday  
From: Grandma Lula



### Christmas Schedule 2017

#### Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Eve)

5:00 pm (Christmas Children's Liturgy)

7:30 pm (Christmas Eve Mass)

(Carols @ 7:00 pm)

#### Monday December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Italian

10:00 & 11:30 am English

#### Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup>

Regular Sunday Schedule

#### Monday January 1<sup>st</sup> 2018

11 am Only

#### Confessions:

Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 7:00 pm

### Let's Prepare

Let's prepare gracefully to the Nativity of our Lord; let's try to find the time for prayer and let's approach the sacrament of reconciliation without rushing. Let us not unnecessarily waste money, insulting the poor and their misery! Let us try to find time for others, a gesture, a word, a visit to those who, in these days of celebration, will experience stronger suffering and loneliness.

### Rejoice always

If you are filled with joy, you will want to tell God about it and give thanks for everything that brings you happiness. Praying helps you see the joy that is already in your life and are grateful for it. Paul teaches that active happiness should be the most distinctive characteristic of a Christian. We have absolutely no reason for despair. We know that whatever happens to us, our biography will have a happy ending. People should be able to ask us, "Why are you always so upbeat?" Faith gives us the right answer. We will share God's joy forever. Try it this Christmas. Keep prayer, gratitude and joy in your life and see if it isn't the best Christmas ever. (Father Lonsdale Commentaries and Clip-Art)

