

Mass Intentions

Sat Dec 14	5 pm	† Enzo Spada (Mem. Anniversary) (The Family) † Cloe Rosatelli (The Family)
Sun Dec 15	8:30	† Biagio Forte (Civita Forte & Famiglia)
	10 am	† Joanne Bertolin (Anna Maria Cerullo) † Arno Guthschmidt (Anna Maria Cerullo) † Deceased Members of the Mallozzi Family (Nicoletta Leonelli & Family) † Mary Elizabeth Wade (Joanne Boutet) † Jack Innes (Tony & Cathy Dodds) † Aristides Tavares (The Family) † Etelvina Da Costa (Joao Costa & Family) "On the Occasion of Claro & Jasmin Dandal 25th Wedding Anniversary " (The Family)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO
Mon Dec 16	8 am	† Frank & Maria Martini (Mafalda Perri)
Tue Dec 17	8 am	
Wed Dec 18	7 pm	"Priest's Intention"
Thu Dec 19	8 am	† Valentino, Erminia & Emilio Altomare (Mafalda Perri)
Fri Dec 20	8 am	† Pasquale & Angelina Martino (Mafalda Perri) "Special Intentions for Christina Figueiredo " (Friends)
Sat Dec 21	5 pm	† Josie Brifoglio (Adrie) † Edda Spada (Daughter Iris)
Sun Dec 22	8:30 am	† Giulia & Amedeo Perri (Mafalda Perri)
	10 am	† Aldo Gemma (lucy Gemma & Family) † Bruno Pozzobon & Mike March (The Family) † Mary Elizabeth Wade (Gerry & Louise Boutet) † Jack Innes (Celerina Querijero) "On the Occasion of Christina Celis 15th Birthday " (Lola, Mom & Dad)
	11:30 am	PRO POPULO

Please remember in your prayers...

Those who are suffering from illness. They and their loved one need our constant prayers and support, the souls of the deceased and those who mourn them.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Tuesday December 24th

(Christmas Eve)

5:00 pm (Christmas Children's Liturgy)

(Carol Concert @ 4:30)

7:30 pm (Christmas Eve Mass)

(Carols @ 7:00 pm)

Wednesday December 25th

Christmas Day

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Italian

10:00 & 11:30 am English

Sunday December 29th

Regular Sunday Schedule

Tuesday December 31st New Year's Eve

5:00 pm only (No 8:00 am Mass)

Wednesday January 1st 2020

11 am Only

Confessions:

Wednesday December 1st 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Saturday December 21st 3:30 – 4:45

Christmas Concert at St. Leo's

Tue. Dec. 17, 7:30 pm, MOSAIC Canadian Vocal Ensemble with members of St. Michael's Choir School Alumni return to St. Leo's to perform In Yonder Stall, a concert of Christmas sacred music. They will be accompanied by virtuosic instrumentalists; The Odin Quartet, Michael Barth (Trumpet), Donna Kiousis (Flute) and Dan Murphy (Timpani). Repertoire will also include seasonal carols for all to sing. Free-will offering gratefully accepted. For more information, call/text: 416-571-3680 or email: gdmansell@sympatico.ca

Socks for Shelters

We will be collecting socks, underwear, etc. at the entrance to the church for distribution to the Good Shepherd (men's) and Canadian "Food for Children" (women's & children's). Please donate early so that they can be delivered before the cold sets in. Your generous response in the past few years has been wonderful and greatly appreciated.

New Season - New Prayer Book

The new prayer book "St. Joseph's Sunday Missal" for the 2019/2020 season is now on sale. The cost of the Sunday Missal is the same as last year \$5.00. For a personal copy please see members of our social committee in the back of the church.

Annual Bake Sale Fundraiser - You're invited

You don't want to miss our bake sale this weekend. We have a great assortment of baked goods, Christmas floral, raffle, gifts and so much more. We are very excited, and looking forward to meet the community. This is a great opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and share warm thoughts of Christmas. Please remember that whether it's hosting or baking, donating or buying delicious items, it's as much about bonding with the community as it is about raising funds. Let's have fun, enjoy and hope to see you all there!



Serra Vocation

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, **Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

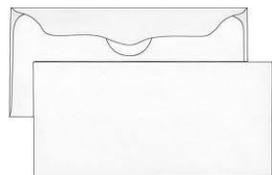
Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection

A second collection will be taken up at all masses on the weekend of December 21st and 22nd to assist St Leo's St Vincent de Paul with their Christmas program. It is anticipated that over 60 households from our community will be requesting help over the holidays. Your generosity is appreciated to make sure that all of our neighbors can celebrate Christmas. Envelopes will be in the pews this weekend.

Knights of Columbus Christmas cards

The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Grace Council are selling their religious Christmas Cards at the entrance to the church after each mass celebrations. Consider purchasing religious Christmas cards and support your Knights in fund raising activities for their charitable efforts. The Cards are \$ 5.00 per package.

Sunday Offering Envelopes

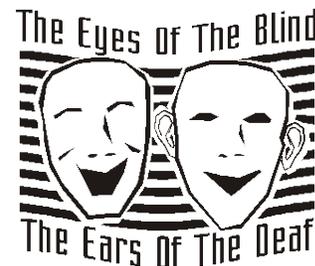


Please pick up your 2020 Sunday Offering Envelopes located on the right side of the church; envelopes are in numerical order. An alphabetical list is available if you don't remember your number.

New/Un-used boxes are also available for parishioners' interested in using envelopes; please write your full name and address on the first few envelopes. In the New Year, we ask that you kindly discard any leftover envelopes from this or previous years. Thank you for your support.

The glory of Carmel and Sharon

Isaiah had been predicting the destruction of Jerusalem and the exile of its people. He closes this section with more positive message about their return. The restoration will be accompanied with an abundance both in nature and the health of the people. The



desert will be like Carmel, a mountain range in northern Israel. It was well-watered and flourished. Sharon was also a fertile region that stretched from the Mediterranean to the central mountains of Israel. Both Carmel and Sharon contrast dramatically with desert regions of Judah. (Lonsdale Commentaries & Clip-Art)

Mass Intentions

Masses may be offered by parishioners for the living or the dead. Unannounced Mass intentions will be prayed on the soonest possible date. The stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. Announced Masses should be booked well in advance. These Mass intentions are printed in the parish bulletin and announced publicly on the reserved date. The stipend is \$20.00 per Mass. Mass cards are available. Call or visit the parish office for more information.

Rejoice Always

Some people think that religion must always be very serious and even somber. It's not supposed to be fun! Today's readings are a reminder that true religion should be joyful. In the New American Bible the single word "joy" appears 219 times; while the words "sad", "sadden", "saddens", "sadly" and "sadness" occur only a total of 24 times. The Catholic Church celebrates two "Joy" Sundays: the third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete, Latin for "Rejoice") and the fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare, another Latin word for "Rejoice".) We are supposed to be somewhat sad during Advent, but we cannot help but be filled with joy because we know how the story ends, with the Nativity.



Please maintain a reverend
Silence in our church