

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – (PEACE)**



“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,”  
 -Mark 1.1-3

**2023 DONATIONS & TAX RECEIPTS**

According to Tax Laws, the Church can only issue income tax receipts for 2023 donations received in 2023. *If you wish to have a 2023 tax receipt for income tax purposes, please make your donation to the church either in the offertory basket or by mail by December 27<sup>th</sup>.* Any donations received after December 27<sup>th</sup> will be reflected in the 2024 tax receipts. We are truly grateful for your continued generosity and support for the parish.

**PLANTS FOR CHRISTMAS**



If you wish to contribute any seasonal plants and flowers for our Christmas décor, please leave them on the table by the Sacristy door from Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**PARISH EVENTS IN DECEMBER**

**Advent Communal Penance Service:** Our Advent Penance Service will take place on Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7pm. We will have number a of priests available for individual confessions. Join us in celebration of the gift of God’s faithful and merciful love through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Simbang Gabi:** Nightly mass begins on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm. “Simbang Gabi” is Filipino language for “Night Mass”, a devotional nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas. Simbang Gabi is a wonderful way to prepare for the gift of the incarnation: the Christ child at Christmas. All are welcome to gather in hope and praise.

**Tickets are available for sale!!!**

**The third movie screening is on Thursday, December 14th at 7pm. The title is Joyeux Noël**  
 (Germany/France 2005). During the bitter winter of 1914, warring German, French and Scottish troops, accompanied by a visiting pair of opera singers, temporarily lay down their arms to light candles and remember their common faith in a “peace that passeth understanding.” Loosely based on actual memoirs of the soldiers who lived to tell the tale. (Oscar-nominated for Best Foreign-Language Film.) In German and French with English subtitles.  
**All Adults are welcome.**

Win this 2024 Honda HR-V LX-B

**1ST PRIZE:** 2024 HONDA HR-V LX-B 2WD VALUED AT 34,707.27 OR \$30,714.40 CASH  
**2ND PRIZE:** \$2,000.00  
**3RD PRIZE:** \$1,000.00  
 8 PRIZES OF \$100.00 EACH

**\$10**

Proceeds of the raffle will go toward the on-going improvements in the church.

Draw Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024 9pm at Our Lady of Lourdes School 441 Sherbourne St., Toronto, ON Lic. # MB24123 10,000 Tickets Printed

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• Participants must be residents of Ontario and 18 years of age to purchase a ticket.  
 • Prizes will be drawn from highest to lowest value.

**PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO MEXICO**

Under spiritual guidance of Rev. Fr. William Mbugua, S.J., Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Toronto  
 Tour coordinators: Ligaya and Lilac Cana Email: ligayacana46@gmail.com; Tel: (647)918-6951, (416)727-4839  
 Feb 26 - Mar 6, 2024 10 days \$3,590 (taxes & tips included) for Toronto departure



**Please help us make this raffle a HUGE success! Pick up a book (or two) after Mass from our Welcome desk, at the front entrance of the church and the Parish office during the week.**



## Our Lady of Lourdes Advent & Christmas Schedule 2023

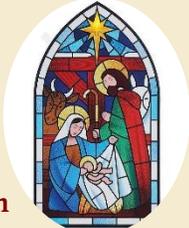
**December 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Masses**  
8am, 9:45am &  
11:30am (*last regular Sunday Mass*)

**Christmas Eve**  
Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm—Children's Nativity Play & Mass  
8:30 pm—Mass in Tamil language  
11:30pm - Christmas Carols  
12 am -Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day**  
Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

9am; 11am; 1pm (*Last Mass of the Day*)



**December 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday Masses**  
8am, 9:45am, 11:30am &  
1:30pm (*last regular Sunday Mass*)

**New Year's Eve**  
Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

7:30pm - Mass  
11pm - Holy Hour in Tamil language  
12am Mass in Tamil Language

**Feast of Mary Mother of God**  
**New Year's Day**  
Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

9am; 11am; 1pm (*Last Mass of the Day*)

### Communal Penance Service

**Monday, December 11, 7:00pm**

There will be several priests available to hear individual confessions.

### Additional Confession Times:

**Saturday, December 16:**  
NO CONFESSIONS

**Monday, December 18:**  
4:30-5pm

**Tuesday, December 19:**  
4:30-5pm

**Wednesday, December 20:**  
4:30-5pm



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, December 11

8:00am Restituto Mendoza + (Roselle Makinano)  
12:10pm Carlos & Felomina Alonajan + (Leticia)  
5:15pm For Peace & Health (Anonymous)

#### Tuesday, December 12

8:00am Josefina David's Thanksgiving (Cynthia Umipig)  
12:10pm Guadalupe & Ananias Velano + (Benedicto Family)  
5:15pm Poddiapduhamy Selvarajah + (Family)

#### Wednesday, December 13

8:00am Cecilia Macalinao (Welcomers)  
12:10pm Victoria delos Santos + (Mila delos Santos)  
5:15pm Special Intention (Conception Saavedra)

#### Thursday, December 14

8:00am Rolando Bentijaba + (Violy Bentijaba)  
12:10pm Thanksgiving (Marilyn Cruz)  
5:15pm Shuang Jin Chen + (Xiu Lan Wang)

#### Friday, December 15

8:00am Katarzyna Dudek + (Granddaughter)  
12:10pm Adriando Vega + (Cora)  
5:15pm Yi Jin Wu + (Xiu Lan Wang)

#### Saturday, December 16

8:00am Thanksgiving (Millie Dolanjski)  
12:10pm Juanito Santos + (Amy Federis)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
*Evelyn Meryuen, Dolores Barberan, Victor Arevalo*  
*Joselito Ramos, Fe Catalina Villasor, Samera Caldillero*  
*Ronald Dickie, Arnesto Orellana, Elena de Lemos*