

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – (JOY)



There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning the light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

-John 1.6-8

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 27th.* Any donations received after December 27th will be reflected in the 2024 tax receipts. We are truly grateful for your continued generosity and support for the parish.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Parish Christmas celebration. It was indeed a wonderful experience of Christmas spirit with the parish and community. Thanks also to all volunteers who dedicated their energy and time to make this event a memorable celebration.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING HOLIDAYS

Saturday, December 23rd – 10am – 1pm
 Sunday, December 24th – 10am – 1pm
 Monday, December 25th – CLOSED
 Tuesday, December 26th – CLOSED

Saturday, December 30th – 10am – 1pm
 Sunday, December 31st – 10am – 1pm
 Monday, January 1st - CLOSED

Office resumes on December 27, 2023 and January 2, 2024 at 10am.

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: ligayacana4@gmail.com; Tel: (647)918-6951, (416)727-4839

Feb 26 - Mar 6, 2024 10 days \$3,590 (taxes & tips included) for Toronto departure



Win this
2024 Honda HR-V LX-B

Toronto Honda

1ST PRIZE:
 2024 HONDA HR-V LX-B 2WD
 VALUED AT 34,707.27
 OR \$30,714.40 CASH

\$10

2ND PRIZE: \$2,000.00
3RD PRIZE: \$1,000.00

8 PRIZES OF \$100.00 EACH

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

OUR LADY OF LOURDES TORONTO

Draw Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024
 9pm at Our Lady of Lourdes School
 444 Sherbourne St., Toronto, ON
 Lic. # MB24E23
 10,000 Tickets Printed

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

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2024

February 11, 2024
 Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Pilgrimage to Mexico
 February 26 – March 6, 2024

Car Raffle Event
 April 6, 2024

First Communion
 May 2024

Confirmation
 June 2024

Parish Bazaar
 June 2024

Jesuit Ordination
 June 2024

Our Lady of Lourdes Advent & Christmas Schedule 2023

December 24th Sunday Masses

8am, 9:45am &

11:30am (*last regular Sunday Mass*)



Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24th

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 25th

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



December 31st Sunday Masses

8am, 9:45am, 11:30am &

1:30pm (*last regular Sunday Mass*)

New Year's Eve Sunday, December 31st

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 1st

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

Additional Confession Times:

Monday, December 18:
4:30-5pm

Tuesday, December 19:
4:30-5pm

Wednesday, December 20:
4:30-5pm

SENIORS MONTHLY GATHERING

There will be **NO** Seniors gathering for the month of December. The next Seniors gathering will be on Wednesday, January 24, 2024.

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 before Saturday, December 23rd.

A NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS (Liwanag sa Dilim)

Friday, December 29, 2023
7pm – 9pm

In-person & via Zoom
Our Lady of Lourdes Church
ALL ARE WELCOME

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament;
Inspirational Reflection & Fellowship

For more information, please contact:

Violy – 416-315-7013

Lita – 647-773-9665

Zoom link will be provided upon request

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 18

8:00am David Sequeira + (Sequeira Family)

12:10pm Amoy & Francis Hosang + (Joan Hosang)

5:15pm Leilanie Bartolome + (Violy Bentijaba)

Tuesday, December 19

8:00am Conrad James + (James Family)

12:10pm Souls of the Faithful Departed (Oliver Family)

5:15pm Verdeen McBurnie + (Cathy)

Wednesday, December 20

8:00am Yi Mei Lin + (Xiu Lan Wang)

12:10pm Beatriz & Eusebio Serdenia + (Leticia)

5:15pm Krystyna & Chester Stankiewicz + (Janina S.)

Thursday, December 21

8:00am Moises De Jesus + (Violy Bentijaba)

12:10pm Thanksgiving for Franzi Arana (Denise Arana)

5:15pm Maria Lansang + (Marge David)

Friday, December 22

8:00am Vincent Smith + (Yvonne Parnell)

12:10pm Azucena Hansen + (Cora)

5:15pm Panganiban Family members (Carmen Panganiban)

Saturday, December 23

8:00am Yuozas & Petrone Markunas + (Joseph & Jerry M.)

12:10pm Moore Family & Leo + (Mary)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

*Zeny Santos, Lilia Catarroja, Jan Krok
Tom dela Torre, Jemina Bernardino, Lola Louis*