

### JESUIT PRAYER



*I ask the Father to give me an intimate knowledge of the many gifts I have received, that filled me with gratitude for all, I may in all things love and serve the Divine Majesty.*

**St. Ignatius Loyola:**  
*Spiritual Exercises #233*

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



IT IS A TIME OF PREPARATION FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD. IN THIS SEASON, WE RECALL TWO CENTRAL ELEMENTS OF OUR FAITH: THE INCARNATION OF THE LORD IN THE BIRTH OF JESUS AND THE FINAL COMING OF THE LORD IN GLORY.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month - 8:30am to 5pm**  
Come and spend some quiet time in prayer!  
Next date: **December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Benediction will be at 5pm followed by Mass of the Sacred Heart at 5:15pm.

**Car Raffle is ON!!!**  
**Tickets are available for sale!**

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES 2025 CAR RAFFLE EVENT

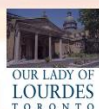


Toronto Honda

\$10

- 1st Prize:  
2025 Honda HR-V LX 2WD CVT  
valued at \$30,000  
or \$29,810 CASH
- 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.*



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

Draw Date: Saturday, May 3, 2025  
9pm at Our Lady of Lourdes School  
444 Sherbourne St., Toronto, ON  
10,000 Tickets Printed  
Lic # M824319

**Our Lady Of Lourdes  
Advent Film Series 2024**

The third Film series screening is on  
Wednesday, December 4, 2024  
at 7pm in the Library Hall.

The title is  
**La Bûche**  
*(The Yule Log, aka The Christmas Cake)*

All adults are welcome



See posters for details of all Film Series at the entrances of the church, Parish website and Flocknote.

### SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2024-2025

The new Liturgical Year begins on Sunday, December 1, 2024, with the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. The new Sunday missal will then be in the pews. You can purchase your own copy at \$6.00 from our Welcome Desk in Bernadette Hall after the Mass and Parish Office during the week.

### CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES

**2025 CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES** are now available at the back of the church. Please do not use the old envelopes because we cancelled all unclaimed boxes. For those who did not claim their 2024 envelopes box but still want to keep one, please call the parish office at 416-924-6257 or send us an email at [info@lourdes.to](mailto:info@lourdes.to).

The Parish Office is inviting aspiring Elementary and Secondary teachers seeking practical experience, and all volunteers with experience teaching catechism, to assist with the Kids at Mass program, Sundays at 11:30am. To register, please contact the office at 416-924-6257 or send an email to [info@lourdes.to](mailto:info@lourdes.to).

### ADVENT SPIRITUALITY SERIES

Our Lady of Lourdes and friends can register for the remaining three part online Advent series: **Experiencing Prayer and Spiritual Conversations**. Fr. Charlie Pottie and Fr. Earl Smith will present on Advent Sunday gospel passages which anticipate Christmas. Every evening includes prayer time and facilitated spiritual conversation. Dates are Thursdays, Dec. 05, 12, and 19 at 6:00PM to 7:15PM. Interested persons may register at: [atlanticnatiianministry@gmail.com](mailto:atlanticnatiianministry@gmail.com)

A Zoom link with additional information will be sent.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

### 2024 DONATIONS & TAX RECEIPTS

According to Tax Laws, the Church can only issue income tax receipts for 2024 donations received in 2024. **If you wish to have a 2024 tax receipt for income tax purposes, please make your donation to the church by December 27<sup>th</sup>.** Any donations received after December 27<sup>th</sup> will be reflected in the 2025 tax receipts. We are truly grateful for your continued generosity and support for the parish.

## Our Lady of Lourdes Advent & Christmas Schedule 2024



### Communal Penance Service

There will be several priests available to hear individual confessions.

Monday, December 9, 2024 at 7:00pm

### Additional Confession Times:

Saturday, December 14: NO CONFESSIONS  
Monday, December 16: 4:30-5pm  
Tuesday, December 17: 4:30-5pm  
Wednesday, December 18: 4:30-5pm

December 24<sup>th</sup> Daily Masses  
8am & 12:10pm

Christmas Eve  
Tuesday, 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  
Wednesday, December 25th

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

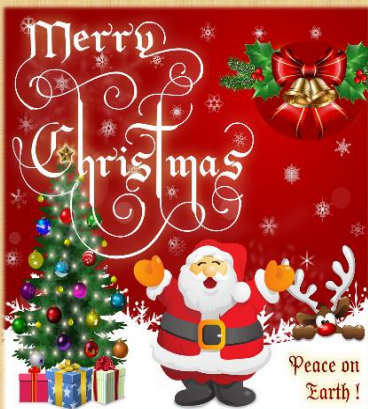
December 31<sup>st</sup> Daily Masses  
8am & 12:10pm

New Year's Eve  
Tuesday, December 31st

7:30pm – New Year's Eve Mass  
11pm – Holy Hour in Tamil language  
12am Mass in Tamil Language

Feast of Mary Mother of God -  
New Year's Day Wednesday, January 1st

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



Our Lady of Lourdes  
Parish Christmas Party  
on Saturday  
December 21, 2024  
1:30pm – 4:30pm  
All Halls in the Church

There will be  
Ornament making  
Food, Caroling  
Fun games &  
Picture taking with Santa

Peace on  
Earth!

## Simbang Gabi

NIGHTLY MASS BEGINS ON SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> TO MONDAY,  
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.

## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Advent Retreat

JOIN FR ALAN FOGARTY, SJ,  
FOR AN INITIAL REFLECTION  
ON POPE FRANCIS' RECENT  
ENCYCLICAL LETTER,  
*DILEXIT NOS*, FROM 3:30PM  
TO 5PM, 14 DECEMBER, IN  
THE CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY  
CELEBRATION OF THE  
EUCHARIST.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

December 4  
Advent Film Series

December 9  
Communal Penance Service

December 14  
Parish Advent Retreat –  
Sacred Heart Encyclical

December 21  
Parish Christmas Celebration

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, December 2

12:10pm Maria Aina + [Funmi]  
5:15pm Medina-Gil Family [Guadalupe]

### Tuesday, December 3

8:00am Jose Mangubat Junior + [Merlyn Sollano]  
12:10pm Ananias & Guadalupe Velano + [Benedicto Family]  
Martin Bautista + [Angelina Bautista]

### Wednesday, December 4

12:10pm Souls of the Faithful Departed  
5:15pm Krystyna & Chester Stankiewicz + [Janina]

### Thursday, December 5

8:00am Cinquina Family + [Catherine Cameron]  
12:10pm Maximiano & Susana Saguinsin + [Josie Saguinsin]  
Souls of the Faithful Departed [Violet Balanyo]

### Friday, December 6

12:10pm Thanksgiving for Tse Family [Cynthia]  
5:15pm Souls of the Faithful Departed [Cora Balatero]  
Fr. Jack Costello, SJ's Birthday [Celia Boggs]

### Saturday, December 7

8:00am Roque Lazaro & Sons + [Arcely Ganbito]  
12:10pm Susan Matos & Kathy Bagshaw's Intention [Amy F]

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

*Dave Bognar, Errol Jardine, Elsie Leyson  
Pehr Gyllehammar, Enrique Metrillo*