

JESUIT PRAYER



*Lord Jesus, we ask you
to help us to remain
with you always,
to be close to you with all the
ardour of our hearts,
to take up joyfully the mission
you entrust to us,
to continue your presence
and spread the good news
of your incarnation.*

Carlo Maria Martini, SJ

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING HOLIDAYS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH – 10AM – 1PM
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH – CLOSED
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26TH – CLOSED

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST – 10AM – 1PM
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST - CLOSED

OFFICE RESUMES ON DECEMBER 27, 2024,
AND JANUARY 2, 2025, AT 10AM.

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 7th to Monday, December 23rd.

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

OUR LADY OF LOURDES 2025 CAR RAFFLE EVENT



\$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.



OUR LADY OF
LOURDES
TORONTO

- 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

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.

ADVENT SPIRITUALITY SERIES

Our Lady of Lourdes and friends can register for the final 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. The date is Thursday, December 19 at 6:00PM to 7:15PM. Interested persons may register at: atlanticnagianministry@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 27th.* Any donations received after December 27th 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

Wednesday, December 18: 4:30-5pm

December 24th 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 31st Daily Masses 8am & 12:10pm

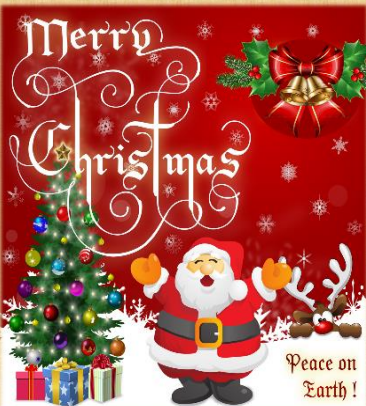
New Year's Eve Tuesday, December 31st

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 15TH TO MONDAY,
DECEMBER 23RD 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.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in March 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 16

12:10pm J.S.M. de Sequeira + [Sequeira Family]

Juanito Santos + [Amy Federis]

5:15pm Daniel & Josephine Anniversary [Daniel & Josephine]

Tuesday, December 17

8:00am Clarita Bringas + [Merlyn Bringas]

12:10pm Maximiano & Susana Saguinsin + [Josie S. & Mely]
Souls of the Faithful Departed [Lina Oliver]

Wednesday, December 18

12:10pm David Sequeira + [Sequeira Family]

Andre Fonseca + [Jason & Lovlyn]

5:15pm Thanksgiving to God [Ramona, Pat & Family]

Thursday, December 19

8:00am Connie MacKenzie [Fr. Adelmo]

12:10pm Adriano Vega + [Cora]

Friday, December 20

12:10pm Joseph Kiran Paul + [Goldie]

5:15pm Krystyna & Chester Stankiewicz + [Janina]

Saturday, December 21

8:00am Myrna Loretta Taylor + [Ron Taylor]

12:10pm Cresenciana Cruz + [Mirachelle Capulong]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

*Remedios Benabese, Sr. Trudy Zunti,
Romeo Ortiz, June Watts*