



JESUITS SPEAK

St. Ignatius regarded the longing for praise, honour and fame as an illusionary engine that drives human behaviour. It is an obstacle to happiness. It strews our priorities and drives other people away. The centre of all things is love, not 'me'.

Jim Manney



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
PARISH CHRISTMAS
CELEBRATION**
Saturday, December 13, 2025
1:30pm—4:30pm

*Let us feel the joy and spirit of
Christmas. A time to sing
together and have your photo
taken with Santa. Help us
spread this joy and spirit of
Christmas.*

All are welcome.

The Feast of Our Lady of Kibeho

Friday, November 28, is the Feast of Our Lady of Kibeho. The Apparitions began in 1981 in Kigali, Rwanda. when the Virgin Mary appeared to three schoolgirls in Kibeho, delivering messages of repentance and prayer. Our Lady of Lourdes will celebrate with the showing of a documentary at 4pm about Mother Mary's visiting the 3 schoolgirls at Kibeho. This will be followed by Mass at 5:15 pm. You're welcome.

The Nativity Play Rehearsals

The Nativity Play rehearsals have begun and will continue every Thursday at 6pm in the Church. Starting December, rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week at 6pm.

Confirmation Registration

The registration for children to start confirmation classes begins on December 1, 2025. Classes will commence in February 2026. Please find forms at the Welcome Desk, Parish Office and at the Parish website. Please return a completed registration, with a copy of the Baptism and 1st Communion Certificate.



Coming Soon: A New Way to Give!

We're excited to share that our church will soon have a **Tip Tap machine**— a simple and secure way to make donations using your credit or debit card.

It's quick, easy, and helps you continue supporting the amazing work God is doing through our parish and community.

Thank you for your kindness, generosity, and continued support!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

All CWL members and women of the parish 16yrs of age or older are invited to join us for an information session, presented by the executive members of the Toronto Diocesan Council, on **Saturday, November 29 from 9am to 12pm in the parish hall.** Come and learn more about the Catholic Women's League of Canada and how you can make a difference in your parish and community.

LECTOR INDUCTION CEREMONY

OLOL Lectors are called to attend **the Institution of Lectors Commissioning** that will take place during the **12:10pm Mass on Saturday, November 29, 2025.**

The tradition of commissioning parishioners into the **Ministry of Lector** is well established in the Catholic Church, though it is being celebrated for the first time in our parish.

All **active Lectors**, and **Lectors-in-formation**, are required to attend this important event. During the ceremony, each Lector will be invited to dedicate themselves to the service of the Lord, committing to **proclaim and live the Word of God** in both word and deed.

This celebration marks the beginning of what will become an **annual commissioning ceremony**, during which all parish Lectors will renew their commitment to the Ministry of Lector. In future years, this event will be observed on or near **September 30, the Feast of St. Jerome**, patron saint of Sacred Scripture.

Advent Series

Experiencing Prayer and Spiritual Conversations is a four-part series designed to help participants develop their relationships with Christ Jesus during the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany season by praying with the scriptures. The focus of this series is **Advent Characters/Personages: Isaiah, John the Baptist, Joseph, and Mary.** We will have instruction in Ignatian Prayer, scripture passages, quiet time, listening and sharing.

This series will be online on four consecutive Thursdays: November 27, December 04, December 11, and December 18 at 7:00 Atlantic Time to 8:15 pm. A.T., (7:30 to 8:45 N.T; 6:00 to 7:15 E.T.).

Registration: To register for the Advent Series, please reply to this email. We invite and encourage you to pass along this information to others. Anyone can register by email to atlanticignatianministry@gmail.com

Our Lady of Lourdes Advent & Christmas Schedule 2025

Parish Mass Schedule



Communal Penance Service

Monday, December 8, 6:00pm
There will be a number of priests available to hear individual confessions.

Additional Confession Times:

- Monday, December 15: 4:30-5pm
- Tuesday, December 16: 11:30am-noon
- Wednesday, December 17: 4:30-5pm
- Thursday, December 18: 11:30 am-noon

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 20, 5:15pm
(Sunday Vigil Mass)

Sunday, December 21, 8:00am; 9:45am;
11:30am; 1:30pm; 5pm (Tamil); 7pm

Christmas Eve Wednesday, December 24

5:00 pm - Mass

6:30 pm - Nativity Play
7:00 pm - Mass
9:00 pm - Mass in the Tamil language
12 am - Midnight Mass
Carols begin at 11:15 pm.

Christmas Day Thursday, December 25

8am; 9:45am; 11:30am; 1:30pm (*Last Mass of the Day*)

Feast of the Holy Family Masses

Saturday December 27, 5:15pm
Sunday, December 28, 8:00am; 9:45am;
11:30am; 1:30pm; 5pm (Tamil); 7pm

New Year's Eve Wednesday, December 31

New Year's Day Mass

5:00pm - Mass

7:00pm - Mass

12am Mass in Tamil Language
Holy Hour begins at 11:00 pm.

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

8:00am; 9:45am; 11:30am; (*Last Mass of the Day*)

2026 CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES



2026 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 2025 ENVELOPES BOX, BUT STILL WISH TO RECEIVE ONE, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE DURING THE WEEK.

Our Lady of Lourdes 2026 Car Raffle Event



1st Prize:
2026 Honda HR-V LX 2WD CVT
valued at \$38,195.29
or \$30,300 CASH

2nd Prize: \$2,000.00
3rd Prize: \$1,000.00

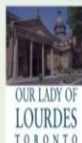
8 Prizes of \$100.00 each

Ticket cost
\$10 per ticket

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

Draw Date: Saturday, May 2, 2026
9pm at Our Lady of Lourdes School
444 Sherbourne St., Toronto, ON
10,000 Tickets Printed
Lic # _____

- Participants must be at least 18 years of age and a resident of Ontario to purchase a ticket and be eligible to win.
- Prizes will be drawn from lowest value to highest value.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 24

12:10pm Martin & Emelia Bautista + [Angelina]
5:15pm Leonida Ortega + [Daughter]

Tuesday, November 25

8:00am Fay Nolan + [Friends at Re kai]
12:10pm Jorge & Lourdes Sievert + [Sievert Family]

Wednesday, November 26

12:10pm Angelo Lovendhal + [Loretta Fernando]
5:15pm Ann & Richard Labagnao + [Harriet Labagnao]

Thursday, November 27

8:00am Ophelia Santos & Clemente Azoras + [Blessie]
12:10pm Carlos & Felomina Alonajan + [Family]

Friday, November 28

12:10pm Maria & Celestino Benedicto [Benedicto Family]
5:15pm Leticia & Randel Gochuico + [Theresa Gochuico]

Saturday, November 29

8:00am Teodora De Jesus + [Violy]
12:10pm Jacinto Buenaventura + [Jun & Julie]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

**Feddy Padua, Consuelo Corrales, Clyde Samuel
Claudio Lazaro, Francis Nicholas Fernandez
Lopito Senense Santos**