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READINGS for SUNDAY, Dec. 31st

(HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, JOSEPH & MARY)

1st Reading - Genesis 15.1-6; 17.3b-5, 15-16; 21.1-7
 2nd Reading - Hebrews 11.8, 11-12, 17-19
 Gospel - Luke 2.22 - 40

A TRUE MODEL OF LIFE

Today's liturgy offers for our consideration the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, "a true model of life" for every Christian family, called to faithfully follow their examples, so that love, today obscured and undermined by alienating ideologies can flourish. The family revives the gift and mystery of life where human and ethical evidence is mortified, and in daily trials it follows the serene paths of peace and hope anchored in God. It is beautiful to think that Jesus chose to reveal himself "God with us" within a human family, with common joys and sorrows. As happened in the temple of Jerusalem, when Mary and Joseph - presenting the child to the Lord with the offering of the gift of the poor - heard Simeon prophesy that the beloved son would become a sign of contradiction. Disturbing words, which changed the joyful amazement of moments ago into anguish, and which nevertheless disposed them to inhabit the mystery. The faith of Abraham and Sarah was also put to the test until God, faithful to his promise, cheered their marital union with the smile of little Isaac.



UN VERO MODELLO DI VITA

La liturgia odierna offre alla nostra considerazione la Santa Famiglia di Gesù, Maria e Giuseppe, "un vero modello di vita" per ogni famiglia cristiana, chiamata a seguirne fedelmente gli esempi, perché in essa saldo e fiorente sia l'amore, oggi offuscato e insidiato da ideologie alienanti. La famiglia ravviva il dono e il mistero della vita là dove le evidenze umane ed etiche sono mortificate, e nelle prove quotidiane percorre le vie serene della pace e della speranza ancorate in Dio. È bello pensare che Gesù abbia scelto di svelarsi "Dio con noi" all'interno di una famiglia umana, con le comuni gioie e pene. Come accadde nel tempio di Gerusalemme, quando Maria e Giuseppe – presentando il bambino al Signore con l'offerta del dono proprio dei poveri – udirono Simeone profetizzare che quel figlio amato sarebbe divenuto segno di contraddizione. Parole inquietanti, che mutarono in angoscia lo stupore gioioso di poc'anzi, e che tuttavia li disposero ad abitare il mistero. Anche la fede di Abramo e Sara fu messa a dura prova finché Dio, fedele alla sua promessa, allietò la loro unione coniugale con il sorriso del piccolo Isacco.



SATURDAY, DEC. 30

OUR LADY'S SATURDAY

5:00pm: †Jose & Maria Fernanda Marques
 †Diego, Anthony & Stella Fernandes
 †Fr. Malcolm D'Souza
 ◇Blessings upon Kallikaden Family

SUNDAY, DEC. 31

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, JOSEPH & MARY

9:00am: †Alicia Queano
10:30am: †Silvana Nigro & Families of Nigro & Dattilo
12:00pm: †Clementina Goncalves
5:00pm: †Alfonso Mendicino

MONDAY, JAN. 1 2024

MARY MOTHER OF GOD

9:00am: †Mary Krane
10:30am: †Agostino E Salvatore Dibenedetto
12:00pm: ◇Thanksgiving upon Nathaniel Arquero & Fam.

TUESDAY, JAN. 2

STS. BASIL & GREGORY

9:00am: †Paolo Marchiano'

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3

MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

(with devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help)

9:00am: †Gennaro F. Vitug
7:00pm: †MEMORIAL MASS for Lucia Esposito

THURSDAY, JAN. 4

9:00am: †Mary Mano Manuepillai
 ◇For Patients & Staff at Etobicoke General Hosp.
 ◇Thanksgiving upon Gloria & Russell Francis (40yr.wed.ann.)
 ◇Blessings for Zoie Dsilva

FRIDAY, JAN. 5

FIRST FRIDAY

9:00am: †Pino Piazzolla
ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament all day till 6:45pm
7:00pm: †Ruggero Lattanzio
After Mass and till 8:30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY, JAN. 6

OUR LADY'S SATURDAY

5:00pm: †Cajetan Lawrence & Maria Augusta Fernandes
 †Luigi & Joe Venditti

SUNDAY, JAN. 7

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00am: †Cletus Castelino
10:30am: †Antonio Ciampa
 †Ersilia Testani
12:00pm: ◇Thanksgiving for Blessings & Favours Received upon Anthony & Mary James Family



VOCATIONS SEEDS for FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

By Baptism, we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

READINGS for next SUNDAY, Jan. 7th

(EPIPHANY OF THE LORD)

1st Reading - Isaiah 60.1 - 6
 2nd Reading - Ephesians 3.2 - 3a, 5 - 6
 Gospel - Mathew 1.2 - 12





Happy
New Year

ON BEHALF OF
FATHER RUGGIERO
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& ALL THE STAFF AT OLA

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NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 31st 2023 - HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
9:00am (Eng) 10:30am (Ital) 12:00 noon (Eng)

5:00pm (Eng) Mass & Adoration for the end of the Year
10pm Tamil Adoration & Mass

Monday, Jan. 1st 2024- MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
9:00am (Eng) 10:30am (Ital) 12:00noon (Eng)

Today JAN 1st, NO Tamil Mass

ST. PADRE PIO Prayer Group

This Christmas, may you and your families lives be filled with joy, love and peace sent by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! As always, keeping you in my prayers. – St. Padre Pio

SAN PADRE PIO Gruppo di preghiera

Questo Natale, possa la vita di te e della tua famiglia essere piena di gioia, amore e pace mandati dal nostro Signore e Salvatore, Gesù Cristo! Come sempre, vi tengo nelle mie preghiere - San Padre Pio



VALENTINE'S DINNER DANCE

JOIN US on *Saturday Feb. 10 at 6:30pm in our Church Hall* for a fun evening of dinner & dance. Book this date and enjoy this event with us. For info and tickets, please call us at church 905-677-4615 or email us at ourladyoftheairways@archtoronto.org

Further details to follow.



CHURCH BELLS

We have fixed the bell system that was already there, but was not working for many years. We will continue working for the beauty and upgrade of our church with your help and generosity.



SUNDAY MISSAL 2024 & CALENDAR 2024 are here

The Sunday Missal for 2024 (*A Special Thank You to Newediuk Funeral Home*) is here at the office or after Masses for \$5 donation.

The 2024 Calendar (*A Special Thank you to Glendale Funeral Home & Cemetery*) is available for free.



ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

After 9am Mass till 11:00am every Friday. Then, **ONLY every First Friday of the month** (Next First FRIDAY, January 5) Adoration all day long (please sign up the paper in the back) till 6:45pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm and Community Adoration till 8:30pm
ALL ARE WELCOME



2023-24 FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Is open and sessions have started, please register asap. If you have any questions contact 647-978-6513 or olasacramentalpreparation20@gmail.com In the meantime, **we look forward to seeing you in Church every Weekend.**



PILGRIMAGE 2024 to 7 COUNTRIES

PILGRIMAGE TO AUSTRIA, CZECH REPUBLIC, POLAND, HUNGARY, SLOVAKIA, ROMANIA & NETHERLANDS Under Spiritual Guidance of Fr. Ruggiero, Pastor of OUR LADY OF THE AIRWAYS PARISH, **on Sep 12 -26, 2024, 15 days CA\$5,490**

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