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#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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#### READINGS for SUNDAY, Dec. 29th (HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH)

1st Reading - 1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28 2nd Reading - 1 John 3.1-2, 21-24

Gospel - Luke 2.41-52

#### A SIGN THAT TRANSCENDS THE ORDINARY

Contemplating the Holy Family today we are invited to fix our eyes on Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as well as on our own family realities. The gaze, however, is urged to open up and deepen, since, as we recognize in the ordinariness of the family of Nazareth the manifestation of the extraordinary nature of the project of God, so also in our families we know how to discern the manifestation of a sign that transcends their ordinariness. John reminds us: even if we are born of a father and a mother, we are truly children of God, called to see God and become similar. Anna recognizes that Samuele is hers given by the Lord; now she is the one to give it to God. Each of us is like this: a gift received to become a gift offered. Mary and Joseph look for Jesus, but when they find him they discover that he is the one seeking the Father who is in heaven. Also we, within our human search, recognize that we areat the same time sought by God and seekers of his face. This is how our families should be: places where we discover ourselves loved by God, called to live in the logic of gift, tireless seekers of its mystery.



#### UN SEGNO CHE TRASCENDE L'ORDINARIO

Contemplando oggi la Santa Famiglia siamo invitati a fissare i nostri occhi su Gesù, Maria e Giuseppe, come pure sulle nostre realtà familiari. Lo sguardo è però sollecitato ad aprirsi e ad approfondirsi, poiché, come riconosciamo nell'ordinarietà della famiglia di Nazaret il manifestarsi della straordinarietà del progetto di Dio, così anche nelle nostre famiglie sappiamo discernere il manifestarsi di un segno che trascende la loro ordinarietà. Giovanni ce lo ricorda: anche se nasciamo da un padre e una madre, siamo veramente figli di Dio, chiamati a vedere Dio e a diventargli somiglianti. Anna riconosce che Samuele gli è stato donato dal Signore; ora è lei a donarlo a Dio. Ognuno di noi è così: un dono ricevuto per diventare un dono offerto. Maria e Giuseppe cercano Gesù, ma quando lo trovano scoprono che è lui a cercare il Padre che è nei cieli. Anche noi, dentro le nostre ricerche umane, riconosciamo di essere al tempo stesso cercati da Dio e cercatori del suo volto. Così dovrebbero essere le nostre famiglie: luoghi in cui ci scopriamo amati da Dio, chiamati a vivere nella logica del dono, cercatori instancabili del suo mistero.



SATURDAY, DEC. 28 HOLY INNOCENTS

5:00pm: † Jose & Maria Fernandes Marques

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

**HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH** 

9:00am: † Sandro Kozlovic 10:30am: † Domenica Vicano 12:00pm: † Geralyn Capistrano

TUESDAY, DEC. 31, 2024 ST. SYLVESTER I

**5:00pm:** Agostino & Salvatore Dibenedetto

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1, 2025

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

9:00am: † Sarah King

10:30am † Paolo Marchiano'

12:00pm: † Umberto De Dominicis

THURSDAY, JAN. 2

ST. BASIL THE GREAT & GREGORY NAZIANZEN

*9:00am:* ♦ Patients & Staff @ Etobicoke Gen. Hosp.

FRIDAY, JAN. 3

**FIRST FRIDAY** 

9:00am: † Pino Piazzolla

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament ALL DAY till 6:45pm

7:00pm: † Assunta Tuzzolino

After Mass and till 8:30pm, ADORATION

SATURDAY, JAN. 4

5:00pm: † Gio & Luigi Venditti

SUNDAY, JAN. 5 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00am: † Norie Andrabi
10:30am: † Cecilia LoManno
† Sepe Salvatore Saccoia

12:00pm: † Alicia Queano



#### VOCATION SEEDS 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, Director of Vocationsat at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

# <u>READINGS for next SUNDAY, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup></u> (EPIPHANY OF THE LORD)

1st Reading - Isaiah 60.1-6 2nd Reading - Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Gospel - Matthew 2.1-12





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FATHER CANISIUS & THE STAFF AT OLA

**HAPPY NEW YEAR** 

#### **BUON e FELICE ANNO NUOVO:**

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#### **NEW YEAR'S 2024/25** MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31ST, END OF THE YEAR

5:00pm (Bilingual) Mass with Adoration 10:00pm (Tamil) Adoration & Mass

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

9:00am (Eng) 10:30am (Ital) 12:00noon (Eng)

#### 2025 ENVELOPES & info update

2025 Envelopes are ready for pick up.

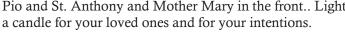
If you are not registered, but would like to donate and get a tax receipt at the end of the year, 1) take an "Unassigned" box with no name. 2) Complete the attached form with box number. Please ensure we have your up to date information for both the 2025 envelopes and for Tax Receipts at year end. Thank you

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Book in advance your Mass Intentions for our weekday and weekend masses. You can also request a private MEMORIAL evening mass for your loved ones. Let us pray

#### **CANDLES**

Candles can be lit with a donation under the mosaic of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Padre Pio and St. Anthony and Mother Mary in the front.. Light



#### **UPGRADES work AT OUR PARISH**

Phase two to upgrade all the lighting in the church is complete. Final step in Jan-

uary for the switches. New Outside and Inside Steel doors of the church are installed and will be connected "Hands Free" panels. Your generous donations are needed to continue with the upgrades. Thank you

### DEBIT/CREDIT TERMINAL now AVAILABLE here AT CHURCH

We are pleased to announce that the office now has a terminal for debit and/or credit card payments. So, let us make use of it.



#### Jan 1= 2 envelopes for INITIAL OFFERING & **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

January 1st we have 1 envelope for Mother Mary and one initial. Please put them together at the offertory.

#### OFFICE HOURS DURING NEW YEAR'S

Happy new For any enquiries by year end, please note that the office will be open on Tuesday 31st, closed on January 1st to 2nd and reopen on Friday January 3rd. During the off days, you can still call or send an email and we will reply as soon as we can. BLESSED HOLIDAYS

#### ENTERING THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025 **PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

The theme of the 2025 Jubilee will be "Pilgrims of Hope". In the words of Pope Francis: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision." May this Holy Year provide a grace-filled opportunity to nurture the seeds of faith for you and your loved ones, immersing ourselves as Pilgrims of Hope into a year-long journey of prayer, witness and service drawing on the example of Jesus, our Lord.

#### ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

This Friday Jan 3, 1st Friday of the Month, Adoration ALL DAY LONG with Mass also at 7:00pm and community Adoration afterwards till 8:30pm



#### ST. PADRE PIO Prayer Group

Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter. - St. Padre Pio

#### SAN PADRE PIO Gruppo di Preghiera

La gioia, insieme alla pace, è sorella della carità. Servire il Signore ridendo. - San Padre Pio



#### JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, **ITALY & MEDJUGORJE 2025**

Under Spiritual Guidance of Rev. Ruggiero September 11-26, 2025 16 days \$ 6,290 (Taxes

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