

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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The Lord's Flock Prayer Group

Every Sunday: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Jun & Cynthia 416-916-1577

BAPTISMS:

Application Form from the Parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Contact the Parish Office in September.

MARRIAGES:

Couples must personally contact the parish office at least **one full year in advance**. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. **A Marriage Preparation Course is required.**

ANointing OF THE SICK:

Please contact the nurse station at the hospital for priest on duty. For home visits, call the parish office.

FUNERALS: Families requesting a Catholic funeral service for their deceased loved ones should contact a Catholic Funeral Director, preferably from the parish. For help call the parish office.

For information about **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**, please visit the site: www.catholic-cemeteries.com

MASS SCHEDULES:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and

Friday (except First Friday) 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - Rosary, Devotions & Mass 6:30 p.m.

Holidays & Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

First Fridays (2 Masses) 12:30 pm & 7:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 9:45 - 10:30 a.m. & 3:40 - 4:25 p.m.

First Fridays: 6:00 p.m. before devotions

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m - 12:00 Noon, 1:00 pm - 3:00 p.m.

The Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays

We welcome you to **OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH** and encourage you to register with us either online or at the Parish office. Kindly support us using the offertory envelopes on a regular basis.

When making your Will, please remember to include the "FATIMA SHRINE RENOVATION FUND."!



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 14

4:30 p.m. Domenic Picente & Maria Picente
Yvonne Willa Rowley

Sunday, December 15

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
Family Pallota
10:30 a.m. Josephine Lind
Lawrence & Adrian Friginal
12:15 p.m. Kimberly Rosemarie Junor
Molly Lule (I) Thanksgiving

Monday, December 16

8:00 a.m. Paz Almacha Umali
Souls in Purgatory
7:00 p.m. Novena 1 and 2

Tuesday, December 17

8:00 a.m. Silvina Bautista
7:00 p.m. Novena 3

Wednesday, December 18

7:00 p.m. Sulay Family (I) Thanksgiving
Amparo Ragudo
Novena 4

Thursday, December 19

8:00 a.m. Terry Christopher Mohammed
Susan Rivera [I] Birthday
7:00 p.m. Novena 5

Friday, December 20

8:00 a.m. Peter Turco
Holy Souls in Purgatory
7:00 p.m. Novena 6

Saturday, December 21

9:00 a.m. Tomasa Balallo
Ramon Villamater

Remember to regularly visit our website ...
www.fatimashrine.ca
Regular updates and weekly announcements.

3rd Sunday of Advent - A

For Isaiah the image of wasteland represents the state of humanity unredeemed. But God is coming to save us, and the prophet calls on the wilderness to break into bloom. Just as nature's beauty reflects the Lord's fast approaching splendor, our lives should radiate joy; for God's people are about to be made whole, he is ransoming (redeeming) us. Everlasting happiness will replace the suffering we experience while exiled from God. In the gospel Jesus applies to himself Isaiah's words about the Messiah who saves the poor, the ill, the disabled. Jesus himself will bring in the age of joy. But in his prison cell John the Baptist questioned whether Jesus fit the messiah's description; John's message had emphasized vengeance. Jesus' ministry will perfect our understanding of how God saves: the role of God brings healing, it is not imposed by might or in wrath. Those who witness Christ's work are even more blessed than John, the one who prepared his way.



3rd Sunday of Advent A - December 15, 2019



"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If you God is calling you to be sent as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Rev. Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or on vocations@archtoronto.org or call Rev. Fr. Dominic Borg, OCD at 416-757-2806 or email olfatima@rogers.com for information.

FLOWERS for CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

We welcome all offerings of support for the purchase of Christmas flowers to decorate the altar and the church during the coming festivities. Kindly pick up an envelope, and fill in the requested information [including your regular envelope number, if you want your donation to be included in the tax receipt] seal envelope with offering and place it in the candle box at the shrine.



Christ is born, He is the savior, celebrate with gladness!

Archdiocesan "DAY OF CONFESSION"

In all parishes on December 15-20, 2019

Reconciliation/Confessions' in our church:
Monday & Wednesday, Dec. 16 & 18
09:30 - 11:30 am-05:00-06:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 21 02:30 - 04:25 pm





... to all the volunteers and other helpers who donated time, goods or a much appreciated helping hand, in organizing the CHILDREN CHRISTMAS PARTY last Sunday. It was very successful and it left many children happy!!! A big THANK YOU to the parish's ... and all their other friends, who have worked so hard to make this event a happy and memorable one.



Thank you all very much from... to all parishioners for your plentiful and generous support to the CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE and the CHURCH COLLECTION in our parish in the weeks of Advent. May God reward you abundantly.



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DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2020

The boxes with your donation envelopes for 2020 are ready prepared for pick up. They will be sorted in alphabetical order in trays at the back of the church, according to the family's last name. All registered parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any changes to their personal data.



Thank you for your support throughout the year.

OFFICE HOURS during the festive Christmas Season:

- Sunday - December 22, 2019 ---- closed all day
- Monday - December 23, 2019 ---- Open all day
- Tuesday - December 24, 2019 --- half day 9:00 am to noon
- Wednesday - December 25, 2019 --- closed all day
- Thursday - December 26, 2019 ---- closed all day
- Friday - December 27, 2019 ---- half day: 9.00 am to noon
- Saturday - December 28, 2019 ---- closed all day
- Sunday - December 29 2019 ----- closed all day
- Monday - December 30, 2019 ----- Open all day
- Tuesday - December 31, 2019 ----- half day 9:00 am to noon
- Wednesday - January 01, 2020 ----- closed all day
- Thursday - January 02, 2020 ----- half day 9:00 am to noon
- Friday - January 03, 2020 --- back to regular hours

A SPECIAL reminder for ..

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

in all Masses, on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day ... *your Christmas Gift to the Parish!* Thank you!



Kindergarten Registration in Elementary Schools



Kindergarten Registration starts on Wednesday, **January 15th 2020** – for children born in the years 2015 & 2016. Registrations will be accepted online at <http://soar.tcdsb.org>. School

No.416-393-5252.

For more details contact the Schools office.

ARE YOU NEW IN OUR PARISH?

You are most welcome to register your family with us. We are very grateful to new parishioners who have already done so already, and to those who updated their records. We thank all for your constant help and support. Come and pick up a form from our office Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or download a form from our website: www.fatimashrine.ca or email us at olfatima@rogers.com

Marriage Sunday 2020



Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America.

The Celebration of Marriage Mass will take place **on Sunday, February 9, 2020** at **St. Isaac Jogues Parish** (1148 Finch

Avenue, Pickering) at **3:00 p.m.**. Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside over this special Mass where all are welcome to attend and married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows. Please note that everyone wishing to attend is required to register before the **deadline of February 4, 2020** to secure a seat. All married couples are invited to attend; however, reserved seating will be available **only** for couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th and 60+ wedding anniversaries. Non-reserved seating will be provided on a first-come first-served basis to all other married couples, family members, friends and others attending the Mass (doors open at 2 p.m.).

May this Christmas season brings you nothing but fond memories, joy & peace!



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