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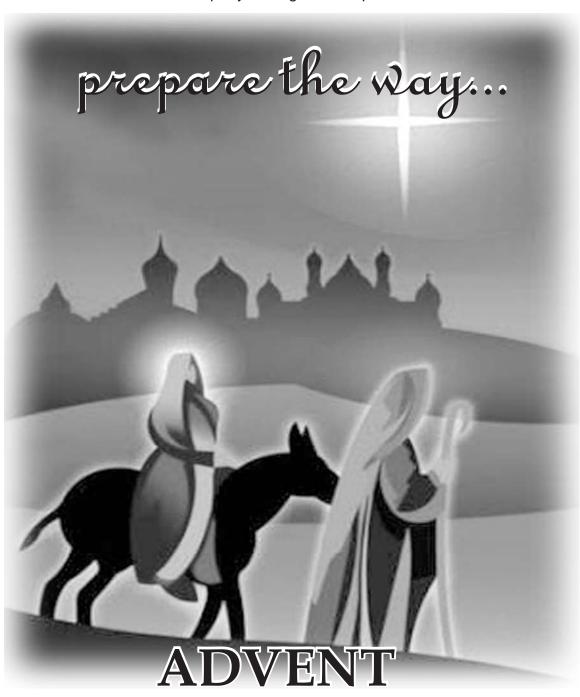
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Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 19

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. +Josephine Lind

12:15 p.m. +Rosemarie Kimberly Junor

Monday, December 20

NO MASS

Tuesday, December 21

8:00 a.m. +Jonathan Rosado

Wednesday, December 22

7:00 p.m. Reginald Adams (I) Birthday

Thursday, December 23

8:00 a.m. +Anthony Gomes

Friday, December 24 Christmas Eve

8:00 a.m. +Tomasa Balallo

6:00 p.m. +Stephen Opoku

9:00 p.m. Balallo & Tan Family (I) Thanksgiving

12.00 a.m. Molly Lule Family (I) Thanksgiving

Saturday, December 25 Christmas Day

9:30 a.m. FV Foods (I) *Thanksgiving*

11:00 a.m. +Manuel De Sousa

4th Sunday of Advent - December 19, 2021



Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest, deacon or religious to carry the Good News of God's great Love? Contact Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-

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4th Sunday of Advent- C

1st Reading: Micah 5.2-5a, 2nd Reading: Heb. 10.5-10

Gospel: Luke 1.39-45 – The Visitation

Lessons from our Mother



Mother Mary becomes the focal point of the Gospel on this fourth Sunday of Advent. Our Lady, shortly after discovering that she will conceive the Son of God, goes in haste to assist her cousin Elizabeth. After Jesus, Mary is the perfect model and example of how to live a life of deep

stewardship. Let us take some time to reflect on this episode and glean insights on how we can better imitate her.

Firstly, we can learn a great lesson from how Mary "went with haste" to help Elizabeth. As stewards, we should not sit idle by and be half-hearted in our attempts to serve our neighbour. Whenever we see a need in our parish community, let us strive to utilize our gifts to readily offer our help and support.

Secondly, we should try to imitate Mary in her role of bringing Jesus to others. It wasn't so much Mary who brought help and comfort to Elizabeth, but rather, it was the presence of Jesus dwelling within her. As stewards, we need to constantly remind ourselves that it is not our own merits that bring about good and conversion in our parish. Rather, we must realize that everything is a result of the grace of God that is working through us. Let us conclude with the beautiful words of St. Teresa of Calcutta who says, "I'm a little pencil in the hand of a writing God, who is sending a love letter to the world."

Summary

After Jesus, Mary is the perfect model and example of how to live a life of deep stewardship and we can learn a great deal by reflecting on her visitation. Firstly, we should imitate Mary's "haste" in her visitation so that whenever we see a need in our parish community, we can readily use our gifts to help. Secondly, just as Mary brought the Child Jesus with her in her womb, we too need to constantly remind ourselves that it is not our own merits that bring about good, but Christ dwelling within us.

Christmas **Blessings**

The PASTORAL TEAM of Our Lady of Fatima Parish wishes for God's peace, joy and every blessing on all our parishioners and friends or family visiting this Christmas season and throughout the New Year. Thank you all for your help and support. We are so blessed to have you and very proud of all of you.







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First Holy Communion 2021-2022

Students in Grade 2 & Grade 3 are on Christmas



break. Wishing all the students and their family a blessed Christmas and prosperous New Year. Classes will resume on January 09, 2022.

R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2021 - Apr. 2022

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program are also on their Christmas break. Meeting will resume on January 09, 2022 at 12:15 pm Mass. May you all have



restful & joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year!

CONFIDMATION 2021-2022

All students for CONFIRMATION 2021-2022 Grade



7 & Grade 8 are now welcome to register, deadline for registration is *Friday, January 21, 2022,* please don't delay as we will not accept any late registration after this date.

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Friday, December 24 at 8:00 am Holy Mass
Family Mass at 6:00 pm Holy Mass
Christmas Eve at 9:00 pm Holy Mass
Midnight Mass at 12:00 am Holy Mass
Saturday, December 25 at 9:30 am Holy Mass
& 11:00 am Holy Mass

Sunday, December 26 Regular Scheduled is followed **Monday to Thursday December 27** Regular Scheduled is followed.

Friday, December 31 New Year's Eve at 8:00 am Holy Mass

End of the Year Holy Mass at 6:00 pm

Saturday, January 01 NEW YEAR's at 9:00 am & 11:00 am Holy Mass

Sunday, January 2 Regular Schedule is followed.

The Parish Office is closed on all statutory holidays!

December 27th, 28th & January 3rd in observance of Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day falling on the weekend.

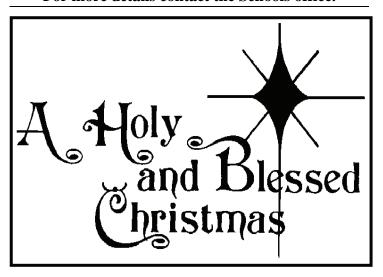
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