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*May the Blessings of this
Holy Season be with you Always.*

Mass Intentions



Thurs. Dec. 31st, 5:00 pm

For the Parishioners' Families

Fri. Jan. 1st, 8:30 am

For the Parishioners' Families



Please Pray for those who died this past week and especially for those who rest in our cemeteries

Please Pray for Our Sick:



Justin Di Nino - Hannah Carlton - Shannon Frediani - Rose Daniels - Ellena Sperini - Bradley Gualtieri - Filomena Chivaro - Chris Phillips - Peter Glynn - Balentina Pono - Maggie - Gennie Prophero - Livana Schwartz - Ellen & Jim Atwater - Armanda Rodrigues - Mary Muir - Anne Weeden - Judge Wilfred DuPont - Patricia Militello - Ashley Alvarez - Beata Krzecko-Symbor - Margaret Krol - Marti West - Ariana Buttigieg - Marlene Hall - Fabiano Busca - Master Sergeant Denise Ryan - Ronny Smith - Luigi Facchini - Sister Alfonsa - Beverley Stacey - Natasha Minnella - Anthony Ranallo - Matt Gerrits - Bernice Theurer - Armando Mio - Peter Cicero - Emily Ribout - Carmelita Petierre - Randy Brewer - Donata Reale - Rosa Santos - Teresa Wolinski - Nancy Porto - Robert Calleja - Marie Brown - Anderson Reyes - Iva McDonell - Philip Weeden - Logan Filice - Frank & Mary Vite - Liana Francey - Ken Holychuk - Bill Szkotnicki - Arlene Abott - Baby Aria Fife - Christian Pileggi - Sara - David Wilson - Maria Gesteiro - Jessie Neals - Josephine Liau - Nidia Contente - Adrian Grice - Helen Oldham - Brenda Shard - Nazzareno Petrini - Margaret McConnel - Laurence Lussier - Kate Kirvan - Frank & Mary Mansley - Joe Clenbri - Mallory Boutiller - Elizabeth Fargione - Linda Dixon - John Hawton - Richard - Helen - Vincenzo Amtiello - Craig Ionson - Angela - Joe Lassaline - Linda Fraser - John Van Eeden - Henry Nielsen - Jeff Kotarski - Emma Harper - Sheila Smith - Britney Smith - Danny Frlan



Vocations... Mary treasured all that God had done for her, and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God's gifts and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If God is calling

you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org / www.vocationstoronto.ca

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

We cannot fathom the depth of the love of the Mother of God, but this we know:
The greater the love, the greater the sufferings of the soul.
The fuller the love, the fuller the knowledge of God.
The more ardent the love, the more fervent the prayer.
The more perfect the love, the holier the life. ~ St Silouan

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee;
blessed are thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.



Motherhood is so beautiful and complex. Our mother is the first person each of us is intimately connected with. It is a mother's love which shows us who to love and how to give. It is a relationship that shapes us for the rest of our lives. Mary must have been an example of such profound love for Jesus. Mary, a young girl, says yes to God completely, with her whole life (just as our mother's do). Jesus, the child of her womb, in agony at the thought of his crucifixion, says YES to God completely with his whole life. It is as if Jesus too treasured all her words and pondered them in his heart. Mother and Child are united in their YES. Mother and Child are united in their LOVE.



On January 1st, the first day of our calendar year, we honour in a special way the Mother of God. There are many days in the year devoted to Mary and her various titles, from Sorrowful Virgin to Lady of the Rosary. Likewise some days honour special events in her life, such as the Annunciation and the Visitation. Every one of her feasts, however, and every virtue that can be attributed to her, is secondary to her role as mother of Jesus. By "solemnity" we imply a day that is especially important in the

ongoing liturgical year, one set apart in a special way to mark an event or honour a person fundamental to our history as a community of believers. And in the Solemnity of Mary, we reach beyond all the traditions that have grown up over hundreds of years - the devotions, statues, places of pilgrimage, the medals and the miracles, even the superstitions - to that which is most essential in Mary, her participation in our redemption as the mother of our saviour. The honour accorded to her, in tribute to her role as mother, should help us in turn to value the position of mothers in each and every society, past, present and for as long as human beings will continue to be born. We all have had a fundamental need for maternal attention, yet sometimes we are tempted to take mothers in general (even our own in particular) for granted. We expect them to be there waiting to soothe us when we've been hurt, comfort us when we are downhearted, rejoice with us when we are glad. How often do we spend some time in appreciation of all we have received, thanks to a mother: our life, our hopes, our future? Motherhood today comes in many styles - wearing overalls, house-dresses and business suits. If we are able to have some understanding of and reverence for Mary, we will learn something not just about Jesus and his humanity but also about ourselves and the universal human condition.

A Prayer to Our Lady in Time of

Trouble Holy Virgin Mary, you are reigning in glory, with Jesus, your Son. Remember us in our sadness. Look kindly on all who are suffering or fighting against any difficulty. Have pity on those who are separated from someone they love. Have pity on the loneliness of our hearts. Have pity on the weakness of our faith and love. Have pity on those who are weeping, on those who are praying, on those who are fearful. Holy Mother, please obtain for all of us hope and peace with justice. Amen.



As We Begin a New Year, I've learned....

That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.



That money doesn't buy class.

That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

That the Lord didn't do it all in one day. What makes me think I can?

That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

That love, not time, heals all wounds.

That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

That there's nothing sweeter than sleeping with your babies and feeling their breath on your cheeks.

That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

That I wish I could have told my Dad that I love him one more time before he passed away.

That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.



That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

That I can't choose how I feel, but I can choose what I do about it.

That when your newly born child holds your little finger in their little fist, that you're hooked for life.

That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

That it is best to give advice in only two circumstances; when it is requested and when it is a life threatening situation.

~ Anonymous



Sometimes people expect something extraordinary, or even miraculous to happen at Christmas. But when Christ came on earth, He came clothed, not in

the extraordinary, but in the ordinary. He came dressed in the cloak of our weak, fragile, mortal humanity. 'They wrapped the baby in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger.'

Like an acorn that falls to earth, silently and unheralded, in a remote corner of the forest, so from these lowly origins Jesus grew up to show us the greatness of our humanity. Almighty and eternal God, may your grace enkindle in all of us a love for the many unfortunate people whom poverty and misery reduce to a condition of life unworthy of human beings.

Arouse in the hearts of those who call you Father a hunger and thirst for justice and peace and for fraternal charity in deeds and in truth. Grant, O Lord, peace in our days, peace to souls, peace to families, peace to our country, and peace among nations.



The real resolutions in life seem to be made in February and November. Isn't that when we have the real time to step back and remember some of the why's of life? Why am I here Lord? Why am I doing what I am doing? Why are some people like fireplaces, radiating warmth from a clean fire in their hearts; and why are other people givers and others takers? When someone is successful, why do some people fill up with joy and others with jealousy? And Lord, why do I always seem to remember to get serious in these in between months of February and November, and then for the rest of the year wander so far away for You!!

Prayer for Our Lady for Healing

Mary Immaculate, you have given yourself to us as our Lady of the Miraculous medal. You have asked us to pray with confidence, and we will receive great graces. We know your compassion, because you saw your Son suffer and die for us. In your union with his suffering you became the mother of us all. Mary, my mother, teach me to understand my suffering as you do and to endure it in union with the suffering of Jesus. In your motherly love, calm my fears and increase my trust in God's loving care. According to God's plan, obtain for me the healing I need. Intercede with your Son that I may have the strength I need to work for God's glory and the salvation of the world. Amen. Mary, health of the sick, pray for me.



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