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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.  
Open by appointment only on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.  
Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

## MASS TIMES

Lauds: Monday to Friday	7:30 am
Monday - Thursday	8:00 am
Friday	8:00 am
	7:00 pm
Saturday	8:30 am
	5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday	8:00 am
	9:30 am (Italian)
	11:00 am
	12:30 pm
	4:30 pm

## CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
and any time upon request

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

## DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass  
Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm via zoom  
Sacred Heart - Friday at 6:45 pm  
Perpetual Help - After morning Mass on Saturday

## BAPTISM

Contact the Parish office to register.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Contact the Parish office to register.

## MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Beloved Parishioners,

Welcome to Advent 2021. As you are planning this time, make sure to take with you our Advent/Christmas schedule and place in a visible place in your home.

I look forward to reading the beautiful love letters children have prepared for Baby Jesus. The first letter will be posted next weekend.

May this time of the year be a time of many blessings in your life and the lives of your families.

Have a great Advent.

In Christ,

Fr. Pawel

3 Isaiah 29.17-24: Matthew 9.27-31

4 Isaiah 30.19-21, 13-26: Matthew 9.35 - 10.1, 5a, 6-8+ +

### SCHEDULE OF LIVE-STREAM MASSES

(Live-stream Masses are available on  
YouTube channel, [SMI Parish](#))

Sunday Masses

9:30 am in Italian

11:00 am in English

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We are almost there. We still have the whole month of December to support ShareLife. We have achieved **93% or \$160,943.95** of our **\$173,000** goal. Thank you for your support of ShareLife.

*"Thank you to the hardworking ShareLife volunteers and parish committee members, who found innovative ways to raise funds in these challenging circumstances. And thank you to each and every person who showed solidarity with those who suffer by making a sacrificial gift."*

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

To learn more about ShareLife, visit their website [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org)

### 2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

The 2022 offertory envelope boxes are available for pick up and are located in 3 areas of the Church, Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, Sacred Heart of Jesus Chapel and the main foyer. Envelopes are organized by the first letter of the surname. If you need the envelopes to be delivered to your home, please contact the parish office.

### 2022 SUNDAY MASS MISSALS

The 2022 Sunday Mass missals are available for purchase in the parish office by appointment.

### ADVENT LOVE LETTERS TO JESUS

During the season of Advent, children are invited to write love letters to Jesus. Form letters are available online on our website under "advent & digital resources". Have the children write their love letter and email it to [stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org) or drop it off in the offertory basket at Mass. One letter will be chosen each week by Fr. Pawel and will be highlighted in the parish bulletin and website.

### HOLY LAND CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

are visiting the parish this weekend, **November 27-28** to display the Olive Woods from the Holy Land. Due to religious wars and conflict that led many Christian families to leave their homes because of job loss. Hand Carving Olive Woods are Religious items that are hand made by these Christian families. This is their only source of income and our mission is to help these families by selling their work to help with food, shelter and a better education. This way they can continue the only life they have known. Please support our brothers and sisters during this difficult time and the effect of COVID-19 on the economy of the Holy Land. This will keep the Christians in Bethlehem and will bring them joy this upcoming holiday season.

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24

No 8:00 am morning Mass

#### Christmas Eve

3:00 pm Mass

5:00 pm Mass (livestream)

10:00 pm Mass

12:00 pm Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 25

#### Christmas Day

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am Mass (Italian) (livestream)

11:00 am Mass (livestream)

12:30 pm Mass

No 4:30 pm Mass

### THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

<b>Tues. Nov 30</b>	Feast	St. Andrew, Apostle
<b>Fri. Dec 3</b>	Memorial	St. Frances Xavier, Priest
	First Friday of the month	We honour the Sacred Heart of Jesus
<b>Sat. Dec 4</b>	Memorial	St. John Damascene, Priest, Doctor
	First Saturday of the month	We honour the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### READINGS THIS WEEK

**28** Jeremiah 33.14-16: 1 Thessalonians 3.12 – 4.2: Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

**29** Isaiah 2.1-5: Matthew 8.5-11, 13+ +

**30** Romans 10.9-18: Matthew 4.18-22

**1** Isaiah 25.6-10a: Matthew 15.29-37

**2** Isaiah 26.1-6: Matthew 7.21, 24-27

**SMI-CWL ANNUAL ADVENT RECOLLECTION**

will be held **Saturday, December 11, 2021** beginning **8:30 am** with Holy Mass followed by Holy Rosary. The topic is "**The Church on the Street**". Our Spiritual Speaker is Deacon Robert Kinghorn, Homilist & Spiritual Director. Award-winning columnist with The Catholic Register and provides street ministry for the poor, the ill, addicted and homeless in one of the roughest parts of Toronto. Everyone is welcome.

**CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT**

Confessions are every Saturday from 4:00 – 5:00 pm with 2 priests hearing confessions. Advent Day of Confession will take place on Friday, December 17, 2021. Please see the Advent/Christmas schedule for more information.

**CATHOLIC ESPRESSO WITH FR. PAWEL**

Advent podcast available this **Sunday, November 28**.

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Sacred Conversations

**First Sunday of Advent**

Today's world has a lot of advantages over that of years ago. Take waiting, for example. Before huge cineplexes in every neighborhood we used to actually have to buy tickets in advance, or wait in long lines for seats to movie openings. Remember *Star Wars*, anyone? Or, in more recent memory, the long wait for the next Harry Potter book?

On the other hand, it's good to muster the discipline for some kind of delayed gratification in life. Painful as it was, waiting for the bus, or for a favorite tv show to return after the long summer break, formed a certain character in us. I call on that character all the time, when I'm waiting for a medication to work, maybe, or waiting for test results from the doctor.

I'll bet you have daily challenges to that essential character trait too. Are you waiting for those painful pounds to come off—they will, I promise—or for news from a loved one who is deployed, or hospitalized, or just missing from your life? That kind of waiting is just agonizing.

Or maybe your long wait is to overcome a resentment that's had you in its grasp for decades. More likely, your wait is for healing for a child who is in the grip of depression, or an addiction, or has problems at school. That's the most agonizing wait of all.

I have an idea. How about if, this Advent, every reader of this column around the country prayed for someone who is reading these words right now? Talk about waiting. We won't know until we see Jesus who we were praying for, and who was praying for us. Ready? I can't wait.

*How would you like your unknown prayer partner to pray for you?*  
Kathy McGovern ©2021 [www.thestoryandyou.com](http://www.thestoryandyou.com)

**CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Sofia Maria Peticca, Antonio Claudio Angiolella  
& Gianna Rose Stark

**We welcome you into the Church! We wish the Parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary!**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS**

+Pasquale Ciaralli & +Corradina Lombardo  
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS**

Available to offer for loved ones for a one week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

**NOV 29 – DEC 5: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:**

Spec. Int. to Boragina Family for Christmas  
&  
Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS**

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 905-884-1784 or email at [stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org](mailto:stmaryimmaculateri@archtoronto.org).

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Catarina Clyke, Clara Pacitti, Sandi Weinholdt, Qhueenie Camat, Gavan McKenna, Patricia Rybka

**MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 5**

<b>Mon. Nov 29</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Holy Souls of Purgatory
<b>Tues. Nov 30</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Private Intentions
<b>Wed. Dec 1</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Therese & +Philip Vincent
<b>Thurs. Dec 2</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Filomena Santopolo
<b>Fri. Dec 3</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Lucia & +Luigi Di Tacchio
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	+Antonio Di Mambro +Wai Chun Lau
<b>Sat. Dec 4</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	+Libera Mastro
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	+Stephen Lappin
<b>Sun. Dec 5</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	+Holy Souls of Purgatory
	<b>9:30 am</b>	Private Intentions
	<b>11:00 am</b>	+Rosanna Marchese +Pat Frasca +Aidan Tomkins Spec. Int. for Nenita Recaido on her Birthday
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	<b>4:30 pm</b>	+Maria Elena & +Jose Luis Valdovinos


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