

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Year "A" Isa 7.10-14; Rom 1.1-7;

Matthew 1.18-24

Entrance Antiphon (Isaiah 45.8)

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 24th (Christmas Eve Masses)

5:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. & 12:00 Midnight

Sunday, December 25th (Christmas Day)

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. No 5:00 p.m. Mass

Monday, December 26th (St. Stephen's Day)

9:00 a.m.

New Year Mass Times

Saturday, December 31st

(Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st

(Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Monday, January 2nd

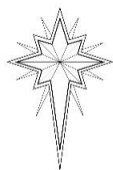
9:00 a.m.

Mass Intentions	
	Monday, December 19th
8:30 a.m.	† Roshan Anandappa
	Tuesday, December 20th
8:30 a.m.	† Helena Galante
	Wednesday, December 21st
7:30 p.m.	† Anthony & Tony Medeiros
	Thursday, December 22nd
8:30 a.m.	Intentions Gary Salzamn
	Friday, December 23rd
8:30 a.m.	Roger, Paul & Angela St. Denis
	Saturday, December 24th
5:00 p.m.	Reserved
8:00 p.m.	Reserved
12:00 a.m.	Reserved
	Sunday, December 25th
9:00 a.m.	Reserved
11:00 a.m.	Mass Pro Populo

Papal Intentions for December

Universal: *End to Child-Soldiers* ~ That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Evangelization: *Europe* ~ That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.



"May we be in this world a ray of that **light** which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women."

Pope Francis

Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry

Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry is excited to announce our new LIFE TEEN program! Life teen is a program for all students in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12! Our very first LIFE TEEN event will be January 21st, 2017 from 12:30-2:30pm! Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun!

Any parishioners interested in assisting with our LIFE TEEN program please feel free to contact youth minister Bianca Hutchinson



2017 Envelopes Are Ready

The envelopes for 2017 are available in the parish hall. If you do not see your name please contact the office. Please check that your name and address are correct and **please do not use** the envelopes before January 1st as your number may have changed.

French Immersion Registration

We welcome all students into our French Immersion program at schools across the Durham Catholic District School Board. You are invited to enrol your child through our online registration process at dcdsb.ca from **December 12, 2016 to January 20, 2017**. Students must be entering Grade 1 in September 2017 to register.

For more information about our Board's French Immersion Program

<http://www.dcdsb.ca/en/programs-services/French-Immersion-Questions-and-Answers.aspx>

Toronto Serra Clubs

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him." Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

SL ShareLife



You can work wonders!

Becoming the hands of Christ to those in need...

We are called to be the hands of Christ to those in need. For some, this may mean providing a place to stay for and supporting an elderly relative, volunteering at a food bank, or supporting a parish Out of the Cold or outreach programs.

Many of us lead busy lives, where the time to be actively involved is not as available as we would like it to be. This is where ShareLife, our annual archdiocesan appeal, comes in. Through our support, we provide resources to over 40 agencies, informed by Catholic values, offering much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world.

Our agencies provide counselling to families in need, support children and youth, provide love and care for people with special needs, offer assistance to refugee and new immigrant families, and help to spread the Gospel in the greater world. ShareLife funded agencies also provide for the education of our clergy and hospital chaplaincy programs with the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Your support of the ShareLife appeal has touched the lives of thousands of people both here and around the world. In this Christmas seas, we thank our parish communities for all that they do to support the work of ShareLife agencies through the year. Together we are indeed fulfilling the Gospel value to 'love another as I have loved you.'



Archdiocese of Toronto

Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide Did You Know?

The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. Despite wording intended to protect doctors and facilities, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to arrange for the killing of their patients. No other country does this. Provinces across Canada do not do this. Yet, Ontario refuses to protect doctors who object to ending the life of their patients.

Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and write directly to your elected Member of Provincial Parliament.

Win Great Prizes!

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-15, 2017. The Theme for this coming year is "Reconciliation – The love of Christ compels us" (cf. 2 Corinthians 5:14-20). Students should read the above Scripture passage and respond to the following statement in the essay:



As the Christian world reflects on the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation (1517-2017) and after reading 2 Corinthians 5:14-20, discuss the main obstacles to Christian reconciliation and ways to overcome them based on your own experiences.

First prize is an iPad Air2 (64 GB), second prize is a Kobo Aura H2O, and third to sixth prizes are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be edited and published in The Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is **January 13, 2017**. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org FAX it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number, and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). For further information call 416-934-3400, ext. 344 or 416-934-3410, ext. 403 or 1-855-441-4077.

Don't miss this opportunity!



Knights Korner Council 11729

As we near the end of our calendar year, membership in our Knights of Columbus continues to grow.

Two of our members, Barry Doucette and Vilim Spinoti have completed their third degree of Knighthood, making them eligible to accept executive positions. As well, we have three new members namely Marshall Otto, Alex Weekse and Richard Boire. They passed their first degree of admission and are now members of our Council. On top of this success, a new transfer, Hans Pennock, came to our latest meeting as he has moved to the area from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. As we grow, why not grow with us?

Walter Heeney
Grand Knight