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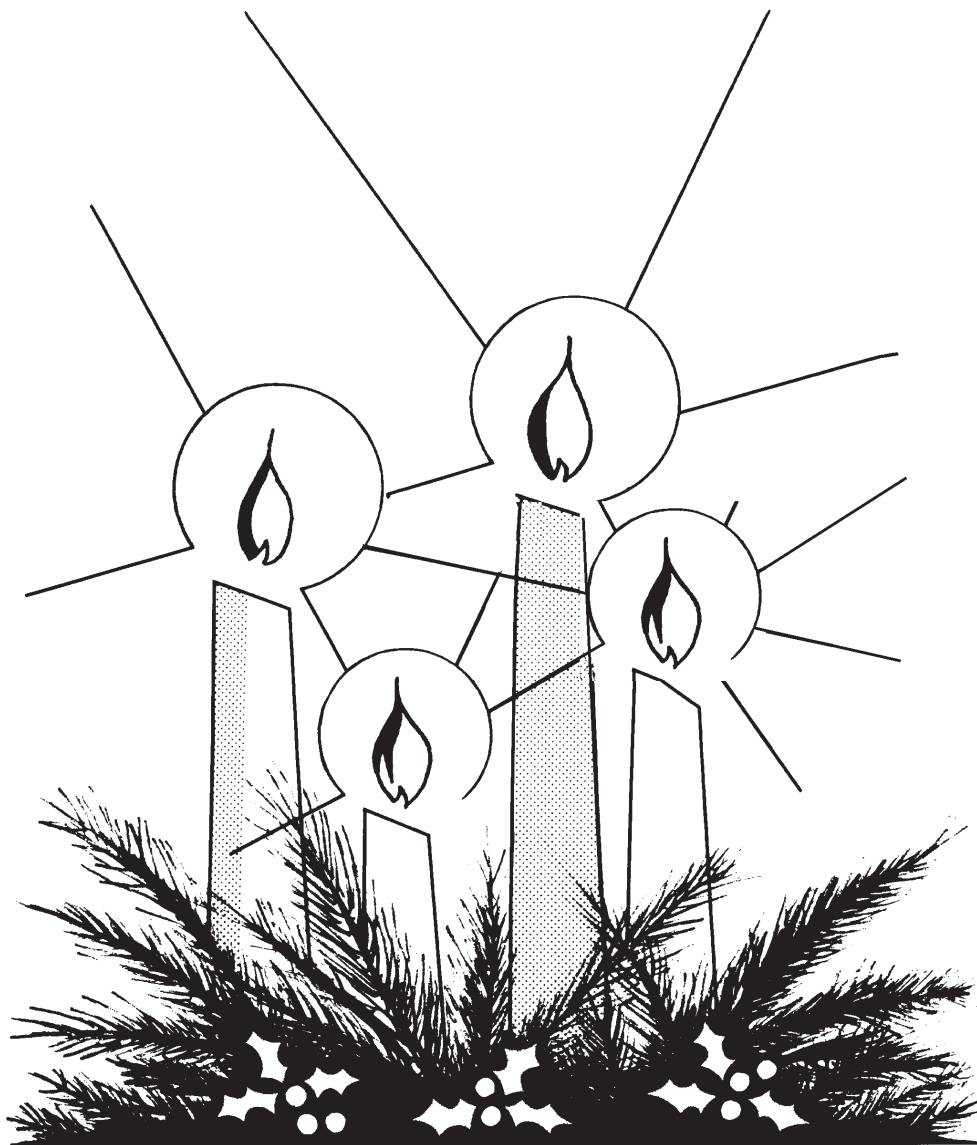
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Advent



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 22ND 2019

ENTRANCE ANTIPHONA

Drop down dew from above, you heavens;
Just One; let the earth be opened.

Mass Intentions for the Week

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 21st

5 p.m. + MAY & TOM JR. FITZPATRICK

Sunday, December 22nd

9 a.m. + ALI JARIANI

11 a.m. MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

5 p.m. + ALBERTO PALILLO & LUBICA GOLUBIC

Monday, December 23rd

8:30 a.m. + VALLADARES FAMILY

CHRISTMAS: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Tuesday, December 24th

5 p.m.

8 p.m.

RESERVED

Wednesday, December 25th

12 a.m.

9 a.m.

11 a.m.

RESERVED

Thursday, December 26th: Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

9 a.m. + UNANNOUNCED

Friday, December 27th: Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist

8:30 a.m. + UNANNOUNCED

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Saturday, December 28th

5 p.m. + LIZ DOBSON

Sunday, December 29th

9 a.m. + PAUL, RAJAMANI, ANNIE & VINCENT JAMES

11 a.m. MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

5 p.m. + BERTIE NAZARETH



The envelopes for 2020 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.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR OFFICE CLOSED:

The parish office will be closed for Christmas from Tuesday 24 December until Thursday 26 December; and for the New Year's from Tuesday 31 December until Wednesday 1 January.

If you have an emergency that requires a priest please call 905-839-9774, and follow instructions to leave a message for Fr. Colman to contact you. In case Fr. Colman is unreachable please contact another local Parish for assistance.



CHRISTMAS WISHES FROM FR. COLMAN TO YOU DEAR PARISHIONERS OF HOLY REDEEMER PARISH

Merry Christmas to you all!

With this Season, comes the greatest of all blessings. God in his love for us is coming to be with us. The love of God has always been sacrificial...*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life."* (John 3:16)

This is the time when we are especially encouraged to make alive even more, the spirit of peace and good wishes to everyone. That the Glory of God may be upon us all as we celebrate the Birth of the Messiah.... *"and he lived among us, and we saw his glory, glory like that of an only-begotten Son from the Father, full of grace and truth"* (John 1:14).

As we celebrate, we also need to look at ways that may help us to do better in our Christian living. Having looked back into the past, and having seen the flaws in our lives, we are challenged to renew our lives and make a fresh start, thus allowing ourselves to grow and as we do so create an environment of growth for everybody else.

This is a time when we make more concerted effort to look after and care for the needs of our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate than we are, and reach out to them by extending ourselves through the gifts that God has freely given to us, and thus bringing a smile upon someone who is challenged in numerous ways, social, spiritual and economic.

There are those who are sick at this time, those who are on our parish sick list and those we have been asked to pray for, that the healing hand of God may be a source of strength at this time. And for those who are in hospitals, Retirement Homes and Nursing Homes, anxious to hear if someone will come to visit 'during this busy time of the year.' Reach out to them. Sing a Christmas carol with them, send a Christmas card, and sit with them for a moment. That can be very encouraging.

-There are those who are going through the pain of loss of loved ones whom they miss so much, and during the time of these celebrations, the emptiness seems to be even more intense. A word of encouragement, a prayer, perhaps even a smile can go long ways in the process of spiritual healing.

-Even within our own communities, there are those who are lonely and in desperate need of someone to talk to. May we never take them for granted. We have amongst us, those who do not have family to visit. We can invite them to our homes for a dinner. After all, the coming of Christ, has made us all one big family of God.

Again, Merry Christmas and Blessings for New Year 2020

ON (ISAIAH 45.8)

ns, and let the clouds rain down the
d and bring forth a Saviour.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

YEAR "A" ISA 7.10-14; ROM 1.1-7; MATTHEW 1.18-24

CHRISTMAS MESSAGES...

The Holy Redeemer Knights of Columbus would like to wish everyone and their families a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year! We are very busy fulfilling our mandate of looking after the poor and needy and building up the Church. We couldn't do any of that without the leadership provided by Father Colman and the never ending assistance of Nicolette, the Parish Administration Assistant. We would also like to thank Rob who keeps the Church looking beautiful and the other ministries within our Church for their ongoing cooperation and support. The biggest thank you goes to the parishioners of Holy Redeemer Parish. Without the wonderful support you provide, we couldn't do anything. Have a safe and blessed Christmas and please remember, Jesus is the true reason for the season.

- GRAND KNIGHT, RICK HEMINGWAY



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all who contributed toward the Christmas Assistance Program this year. Through the generosity of our parishioners and our three schools, we have been able to assist approximately 45 families to have a more enjoyable Christmas.

We would also like to thank those who have been contributing towards the poor box throughout the year. Your donations are greatly appreciated by all those who are in need. Tax receipts will be issued early in January if you provided us with your name and address. On behalf of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the community we serve, we wish each of you a joyous Christmas season, may the joy and love of Christ shine in your homes always.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24th

(Christmas Eve)

5:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

12:00 Midnight



Wednesday, December 25th

(Christmas Day)

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

No 5:00 p.m. Mass



Regular Weekday Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 26th

(Feast of St. Stephen, First Martyr): 9 a.m.

Friday, December 27th

(Feast of St. John, Apostle & Evangelist): 8:30 a.m.

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday, December 28th

(Sunday Vigil): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 29th:

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.



Regular Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, December 30th

(6th day within the Octave of the Nativity): 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 31st

(7th day within the Octave of the Nativity): 8:30 a.m.

2020
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

New Year's Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 31st

(New Year's Eve)

5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1st

(Mary, The Holy Mother of God)

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

No 5:00 p.m. Mass

Do you or does a loved one experience same-sex attraction? Courage and Encourage provide spiritual support and pastoral guidance in full accordance with authentic Catholic teaching on homosexuality and chastity. For more information on our meeting and events, see contact info below:

ENCOURAGE: Spiritual support for family and friends of those who experience same-sex attraction, faithful to Church teaching on chastity.

Chaplin: Fr. Eric Rodriguez Phone: 416-928-5094

Email: encouragetoronto@yahoo.ca

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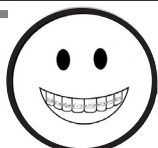
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