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The Nativity of the Lord

DECEMBER 25TH - SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

SUNDAY DONATION ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE PARISH HALL: COMMENCE USING YOUR 2023 ENVELOPES ON JANUARY 1ST

The boxes are placed in alphabetical order. Please check your box before you take it home to make sure your mailing address is correct.

2022 Tax receipts will be issued for donations given for the 2022 calendar year, January 1st to December 31st, 2022. Tax receipts will be mailed out to the address we have on file for you.

For any concerns or if you do not find your box or if you would like to join our Sunday offertory program connect with Nicolette at the parish office.



LAMP OFFERING

You may offer the Sanctuary Lamp for a week long period of time, either for the intentions of or for the repose of a soul.

DECEMBER 24-31

SANCTUARY LAMP: + WAYNE NOONAN, FELIX & MELITA DESOUZA OUR LADY OF FATIMA LAMP- AVAILABLE

Stipend is \$10 per week and the intention will be included on the bulletin board. For information and offering contact the parish office



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed from Friday, December 23rd to Tuesday, December 27th and will reopen on Wednesday, December 28th at 8 a.m.

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

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SATURDAY,	Christmas Eve	5:00 p.m.	
DECEMBER 24		8:00 p.m.	
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25	Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)	12 Midnight	MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
		9:00 a.m.	
		11:00 a.m.	
MONDAY, DECEMBER 26	Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr	9:00 a.m.	+PERRY AND AGNES O'JOHN
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27	Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist	9:00 a.m.	INT. RICARDO RICCI
Wednesday, December 28	Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs	6:30 p.m.	Holy Hour
		7:30 p.m.	+RAJAMANI, PAUL, SR. ANNE AND VINCENT JAMES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29	Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord, Memorial of Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr	8:30 a.m.	THANKSGIVING FOR FAVOURS RECEIVED
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8:30 a.m.	+Barbara Fernandez
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31	New Years Eve	5:00 p.m.	+Margaret Galante
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord	9:00 a.m.	
		11:00 a.m.	MASS FOR THE PEOPLE
		5:00 p.m.	

Christmas Lucky Dip

One Ticket: \$2.00 Three Tickets: \$5.00 First Prize: Nativity Holy Family.

Second: Our Lady with Child (Blue Colour)

Third: Our Lady with Child (White Colour)



Don't forget our Church Gift Shop is open after all the weekend Masses.

Plan to stop by! You may be surprised to see what all the gift shop has to offer!



The **Catholic Women's Guild** would like to wish everyone a Joyous
Christmas.

Christmas is the Season for rejoicing. Let us rejoice that we can gather in the Church, meet our family and friends and get back to having a normal routine.

Keep the Christmas Spirit all year! All the best in the New Year!



The **Parish Gift Shop** Wishes One And All Of Our Parish A Meaningful Christmas And A Peaceful New Year.

St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Redeemer would like to thank all the parishioners and parish schools for their tremendous support during the past year. With your assistance we are able to help community families who find themselves in need. We provide food vouchers on a regular basis and occasionally we provide new beds and make arrangements for families to access gently used clothing, furniture and household items. Due to your generosity, we are able to provide a little extra to approximately 40 families at Christmas. Income tax receipts will be distributed in January/February. During Covid-19 restrictions, we were only able to provide families with food vouchers but, with the help of school food drives, we will again provide non-perishable foods to our families.

We wish all of you and our community families a blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy 2023.





Christmas Greetings... from the Pastor's Desk

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11)

What a Blessed time of the year, the time of gift giving and gift receiving, but above all, the time when the world is given the real gift, the greatest gift poured down upon us. In these days, pray with Isaiah,

'Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness, let the earth open, and spring forth the saviour...' (Is. 45:8).

The Saviour and the Sun of Justice is coming to embrace the world with the warm rays of Love.

It's not a gift in the beautifully decorated gift wrap from Hallmark, with a Christmas card. It is a gift wrapped in swaddling clothes by the poor couple from Bethlehem and placed in a manger.

He is King of the universe, the son of God, yet he is not born in a royal palace. He comes to us in our human condition and meets us where we are.

With him, the order of life as we have set it, is reversed... Greatness means stooping down and serving others and even washing their soiled feet.

I wish every one of you, a Merry Christmas, a Christmas of Peace, a Christmas of Joy overflowing with love and bringing hope into our sometimes hopeless world.

May we all be filled with gratitude to God, for God has fulfilled that desire to become one of us, so that we may be with him. Although we are sometimes elusive because of our sins, God does not stop searching for us. With him we are assured of being reconciled and healed. We celebrate "Emmanuel" (God with us). Through God's presence working within us we are being healed, transformed and made whole again.

I pray that we all have a Merry Christmas 2022

- Fr. Colman

Knights Korner: Council 11729



Merry Christmas and all the best for the New Year!

The Holy Redeemer Knights of Columbus Council want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2023.

- Grand Knight, Mark de Souza

Welcome!

We are Glad

You are Here!

If you are a visitor to our parish, we want you to know how welcome you are—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

We extend our warm welcome to you on behalf of the people of the Parish, Priest and Deacon.



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