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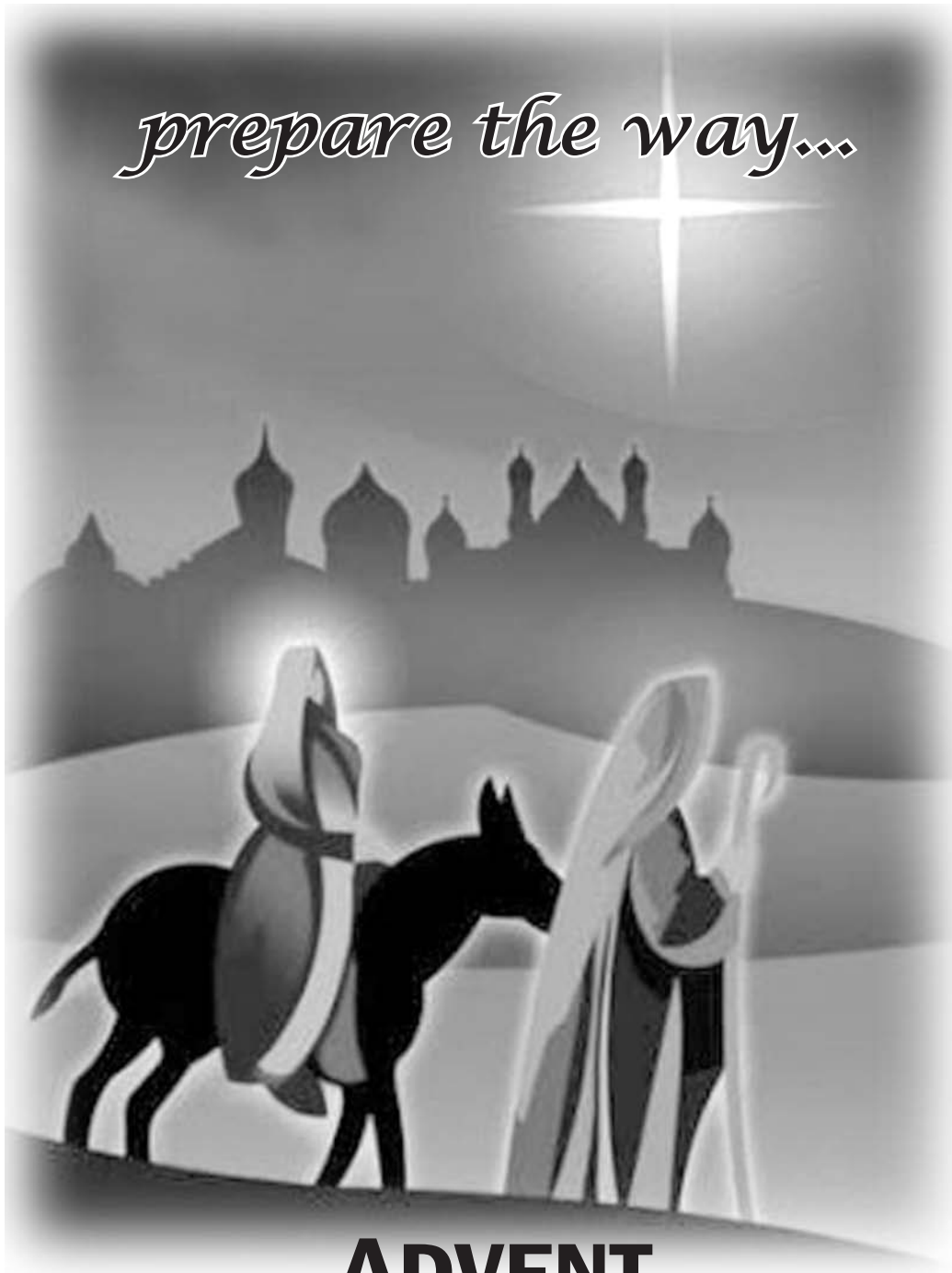
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ADVENT

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



MONDAY, December 23RD, 2024
SUNDAY, December 29TH, 2024

MONDAY, December 23RD 6:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	†Peng Han Lim †Geraldine Senewiratne
TUESDAY, December 24TH 6:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. 12 Midnight	<i>Intentions of Leo Reardon</i> † Gilu Fernandes <i>In Thanksgiving for the Tiru Family</i> †Harold Adams
WEDNESDAY, December 25TH 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	† Loreta Grossi †Marta Colaco †Sheila Tangney <i>In Thanksgiving Marilou Macandog & Family</i>
THURSDAY, December 26TH 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving – Neville & Bernardine Morris</i> NO MASS
FRIDAY, December 27TH 7:30 a.m. 12:00 Noon	† Joyce Zielinski <i>In Thanksgiving – Raimel Macandog</i>
SATURDAY, December 28TH 5:00 p.m.	† Carmine Vas
SUNDAY, December 29TH 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	†Anthony Cajetan & Mary Rita Franco †The Braganza, Gracias & Gomes Families <i>Parishioners' of St. Rose of Lima</i> <i>In Thanksgiving – Isaiah M. Cruz</i>



We keep in our prayers the sick, elderly, the housebound, the "forgotten members" in our community, and their families and caregivers. "Lord, surround them with your healing and steadfast love."



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On behalf of Fr. Sojan and myself, I write now to all of you at a very special time of year for our faith community. Our Advent journey is nearly complete, Christmas is upon us, and our Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ, comes into our world. At Christmas we find ourselves very grateful to celebrate in the presence of the faithful members of our parish community, as well as friends, family members, and any visitors who may come to St. Rose of Lima Parish to join us at Mass this Christmas season.

The beauty of our liturgical atmosphere and our community prayer is a result of the personal gifts, talents, and dedication of many in our Parish, including decorators, musicians, and cantors, ushers, and altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and sacristans. And we continue to be both appreciative and proud of those who are involved in the outreach ministry on behalf of our Parish, especially our St. Vincent de Paul Society, The Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League, who work so diligently during the course of the holidays, and all year, to serve those in the Scarborough community.

As the Priests of the Parish, we would also like to emphasize how much we appreciate and rely on our office staff, who serve the Parish so well throughout the year.

We would also like to thank everyone who has been so extremely generous to us with greetings, gifts, food, prayers, and best wishes.

Lastly, we wish it to be known that we pray for every member of the Parish each day. We are truly blessed to be here at such a wonderful Parish community, and we thank God for being with you all. May God bless each and every one of you this Christmas and fill your hearts with the most treasured gifts of hope, peace, joy, and love.

Fr. Vijai, C.S.C.
Pastor

JUBILEE YEAR 2025

You may be aware that the Catholic Church worldwide will be celebrating a special Jubilee Year in 2025. A jubilee year happens every 25 years or at the request of the Holy Father. The Jubilee Year includes many celebrations within the city of Rome and also local initiatives in dioceses around the world. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee will be *"Pilgrims of Hope"*. In the words of Pope Francis: *"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and farsighted"*

vision." The Holy Father will open the Jubilee Year on **December 24, 2024**, with the official opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica and **continuing until January 6, 2026**, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, with the closing of the Holy Door. In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we will open the Jubilee Year with a Solemn Opening Mass taking place on **Sunday, December 29, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**. All are welcome to join in this special Mass to formally launch the Jubilee year in the Archdiocese of Toronto. There will be more activities in the Archdiocese and in our Parishes to celebrate the jubilee year.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Our adoration chapel is opened for adoration and prayer day and night from **Monday morning to Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.** The Chapel will be open from **6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.** Those who wish to spend time from **7:30 p.m. until 6:30 a.m.** are requested to contact the parish office to obtain an access code. A valid photo identification document will be required. The Vocation Adoration held overnight on the 3rd Saturday of the month will continue.



ShareLife Warming hearts with your support for ShareLife

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As we shelter from the winter storm, we're thankful for your ShareLife support, keeping many off cold streets and igniting hope for a brighter future. Wishing you a warm and safe Christmas season, and thanking you for your enduring compassion that extends the same to others.

LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in **March 2025 & supports the bulletin service**. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at **905-624-4422**.



CWL CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SENIORS

The Catholic Women's league would like to thank all parishioners for participating in the Christmas Cards for Seniors event. Together we were able to distribute over 300 cards to seniors living at Bendale Acres, Cedarbrook Lodge and Rockcliffe Care Community. Please know the joy your cards have brought during this Christmas season.



CHRISTMAS 2024 & NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE, CHAPEL & OFFICE HOURS



CHRISTMAS EVE	
TUES Dec 24 TH	6:00 a.m. Novena Mass 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. 12:00 <i>Midnight</i> Service in Vietnamese
CHRISTMAS DAY	
WED Dec 25 TH	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. – Service in Vietnamese
BOXING DAY	
THURS Dec 26 TH	8:30 a.m.
FRI Dec 27 TH	7:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
SAT Dec 28 TH	8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
SUN Dec 29 TH	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. – Service in Vietnamese
MON Dec 30 TH	7:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
NEW YEAR'S EVE	
TUES Dec 31 ST	7:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
NEW YEAR'S DAY 2025	
WED Jan 1 ST	9:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.



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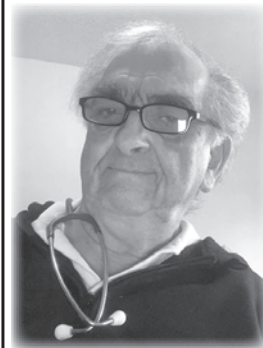
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