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Feast of the Holy Family



Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is a model for our own families in the Parish and beyond. Today, as we give thanks for the gift of the Holy Family, we also give thanks for all the gifts and blessings our Parish family has received through the presence of Fr. Sojan, C.S.C. As I announced in all our Masses last weekend, after completing three and a half years in Canada, Fr. Sojan will be returning to his Province in India. Fr. Sojan has spent the last year and a half here at St. Rose of Lima Parish as the Associate Pastor.

It was a blessing to have Fr. Sojan with us here at the Parish. Personally, he has been a great companion and confrere to me, always offering valuable suggestions, steady support and being available to help and serve. He has served our Parish family with his steady presence, inspiring homilies and reflections and the reverent celebration of the Sacraments.

On behalf of our Parish community, I sincerely thank Fr. Sojan for all the gifts and blessings he has brought to our community. Fr. Sojan will be taking his new assignment as Pastor of a Parish in his Holy Cross Province in North-East India. We wish Fr. Sojan well in his new ministry. I invite you all to come down to the Parish Hall after the 12.30 pm Mass this Sunday and to thank Fr. Sojan and wish him well personally. Farewell, dear Fr. Sojan.

On another note, as we prepare to welcome the New Year 2026, I wish you and your loved ones a very Happy New Year this week. May your hearts and homes be filled with God's peace, and may our Blessed Mother, Mother of the Church, intercede for us all.

Fr. Vijai, CSC ~ Pastor

You don't have a soul. You are a Soul.
You have a body." ~ C. S. Lewis



Mass Intentions for the week



SATURDAY (Vigil Mass), DECEMBER 27TH

The Holy Family

5:00 P.M. + Leonardo Cruz

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28TH

The Holy Family

7:30 A.M. + Michael Mitchell

9:00 A.M. - For All of Our Parishioners

10:45 A.M. + Ian McLeod

12:30 P.M. - Raimel Macandog-Thanksgiving

4:30 P.M. - Vietnamese Mass

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29TH

7:30 A.M. - Jude & Annette D'Souza-Thanksgiving

7:00 P.M. + Heather Murphy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30TH

7:30 A.M. + Francisco L. Zingapan

12:00 P.M. - Isaiah Cruz-Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

7:30 A.M. + Georgina Da Costa

New Year's Eve

7:00 P.M. - Ramos & Cruz Family-Thanksgiving

9:00 P.M. - Paes Family-Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST New Year's Day

Mary, the Mother of God

9:00 A.M. - KoC & CWL-Intentions

10:45 A.M. - Members of Adult Choir-Intentions

12:30 P.M. - Fr. Vijai & Fr. Sojan-Intentions

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2ND

7:30 A.M. + Annette Lachapelle

7:00 P.M. + Martin Fernando

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3RD

8:30 A.M. - Multiple Intentions

(The Names are Posted on the Bulletin Board)



The first two readings today focus on the relationships with our family. We are told that honoring and respecting our father is of the highest importance and, if we are faithful to this call, we will be blessed by God. When we read the Gospel, the theme changes from focusing on our earthly family to being faithful to God, our Heavenly Father. If we ought to respect our earthly father and spend so much time and energy making our earthly home virtuous and holy, how much more ought we work to have a relationship with our Heavenly Father? How often do we take the time to talk with God, or honor him by serving him or making sacrifices for him? Let us remember the words of Sirach and St. Paul this week, not just in relation to how we treat our earthly fathers, but, most importantly, in how we relate to God the Father.



In Loving Memory

An offering made in memory of a deceased loved one.

An acknowledgement for your donation will appear in the weekly bulletin but no tax receipt is issued.

Below are the suggested donation amounts:

Bread and Wine \$25

Sanctuary Lamp (Church) \$20

Lamps beside Exposed Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel \$10/each

Oil for Altar Candle \$10

Remembering Our Loved Ones

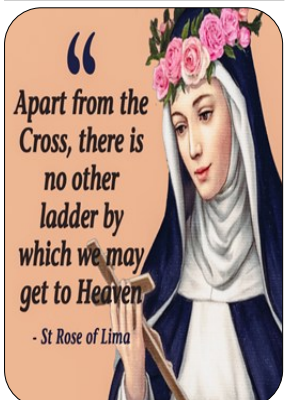
The Bread & Wine was donated by Sebastian Siby in loving memory of the Deceased Members of the Family.



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

"Make sickness itself a Prayer"

~ St Francis de Sales ~



"Apart from the Cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to Heaven"

- St Rose of Lima

THE HOLY FAMILY ~ DECEMBER 28TH, 2025

Ways to Support Our Parish of St. Rose of Lima

Pre Authorized Giving (PAG)



When you participate in PAG, your offering will be withdrawn from your bank account around the 20th day of the month and deposited into the Parish's account. This ensures continuous support for our parish, even when you're away. You can cancel anytime. Please visit the parish office to enroll.

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Donate Now Button



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Donation Envelope



Please visit the parish office to register and collect a donation box envelope. You will receive a pre-numbered envelope.

Tax receipts will be issued for all registered donations within the calendar year.

Thank you for supporting Our Parish.

May GOD bless You More!



Marriage Sunday 2026 - Celebration of Mass

With Bishop John Boissonneau

February 8, 2026 @ 2:30 p.m. St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica



During Marriage Sunday 2026, we will honor couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ anniversaries. All couples can renew vows at the Mass.

RESERVED SEATING FOR THESE MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES IS LIMITED; REGISTER EARLY.

Registration and other important information can be found www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION COME AND SPEND SOME QUIET TIME IN PRAYER!

SCHEDULE FOR THE NEW YEAR

December 31, Wednesday (New Year's Eve)

Reposition of The Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 pm

January 1, Thursday (New Year's Day)

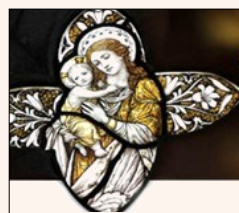
Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament after the 12:30 pm Mass



From Sunday afternoon at 2:00 pm (after the 12:30 pm Sunday Mass) To Saturday afternoon at 4:00 pm.

VOCATION ADORATION HELD OVERNIGHT ON
THE 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.

Chapel Regular Hours are from 6:30 AM to 7:30 PM. Those who wish to spend time outside the regular hours (7:30 PM to 6:30 AM) are requested to contact the parish office to obtain an access code.



Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God

LAST 6 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS OCTAVE,
NEW YEAR (MARY, MOTHER OF GOD)
MASS SCHEDULES AND OFFICE HOURS

DECEMBER 27TH - SATURDAY

3rd Day within the Octave of Christmas

5:00 pm - Holy Family (Vigil Mass)

DECEMBER 28TH - SUNDAY

4th Day within the Octave of Christmas

The Holy Family

7:30 am Mass / 9:00 am Mass

10:45 am Mass / 12:30 pm Mass

4:30 pm—Vietnamese Mass

DECEMBER 29TH - MONDAY

5th Day within the Octave of Christmas

7:30 am Mass / 7:00 pm Mass

DECEMBER 30TH - TUESDAY

6th Day within the Octave of Christmas

7:30 am Mass / 12:00 pm Mass

DECEMBER 31ST - WEDNESDAY

7th Day within the Octave of Christmas

7:30 am Mass (Office closes at noon)

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD Holy Day of Obligation

DECEMBER 31ST - WEDNESDAY

(NEW YEAR'S EVE)

7:00 pm Mass / 9:00 pm Mass

JANUARY 1ST - THURSDAY

(NEW YEAR'S DAY)

9:00 am Mass / 10:45 am Mass / 12:30 pm Mass



You Crown the Year with Your Goodness
And Your Paths drip with Abundance. Psalm 65:11

"I have often repented of speech but
hardly ever of silence." ~ C. S. Lewis



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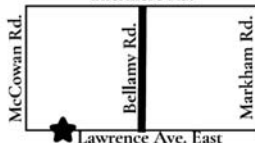
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