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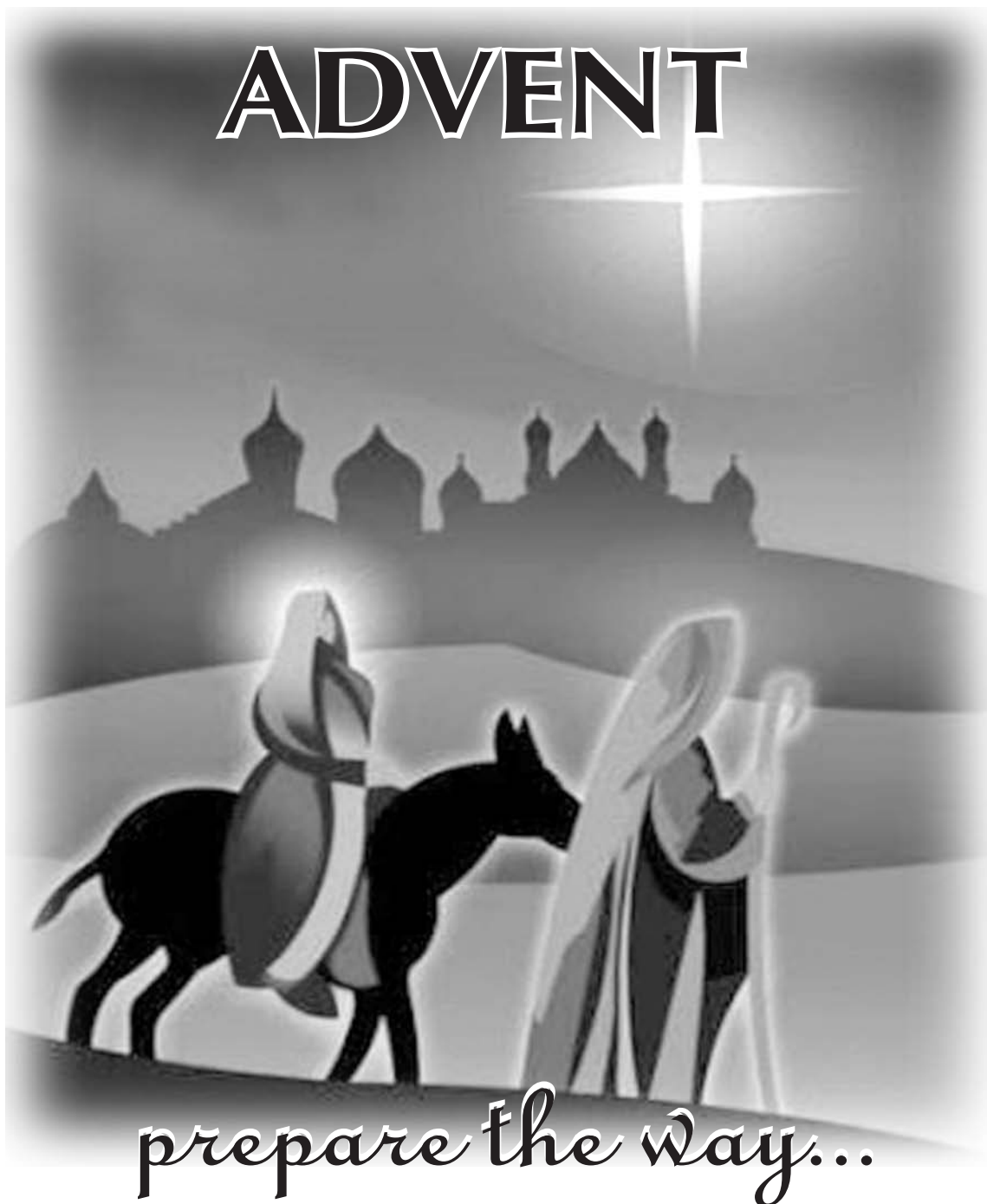
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**Mass Intentions**



**Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for Audrei Alcantara**  
 Req. by Joel & Sheila Alcantara  
**Thanksgiving for Cielito Pascual**  
 Req. by Petrina & Sheila Pascual  
**Jesus Hermosa R.I.P – Req.by Hermosa Family**  
**10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving for Henry & Flor Recio**  
**Veronica Dias R.I.P. Req.by Dawn & Leighton Martin**  
**12:00 a.m. Ricardo Pangantihon R.I.P. Req.by Imelda**

**Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** No Mass Intention  
**7:00 p.m.** Candice Roldan R.I.P. Req. by Lita Roldan

**Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** Kevin Francis R.I.P. Req. by Sharmila & Pakianthan  
**7:00 p.m.** Bernardita Ditas Jose Perlas R.I.P. Req.by CWL

**Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** No Mass Intention  
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**Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** Special Intentions of The Glass Family  
**7:00 p.m.** No Mass Intention

**Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** All Souls in Purgatory  
**7:00 p.m.** Thanksgiving for Chloe Roldan Req.by Estrelita  
 Arnold Nazareth R.I.P. Req. by Jen D’Costa



**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 p.m.**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**12:00 a.m.** Missa pro Populo

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

As the birth of a child draws near, attention focuses on the mother. Since we are nearing the celebration of the birth of Christ, it is no surprise to find that Mary is at the centre of today’s Gospel. Mary’s only concern was to do the will of God. She will help us to do it also.

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At Christmas we feel that God is very close to us and very loving towards us. At the same time we feel closeness to one another. All this happens because God’s Son became one of us. He has brought God near us, and brought us near one another. Let us invoke the help of our Lord and Savior.

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“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 to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy at 416-968-0997 email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

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December 22<sup>nd</sup>

**ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI**



Francesca Cabrini was born in Lodi, in northern Italy in the year 1850. She took her naming after St. Francis Xavier seriously. It was her desire to become a religious and in particular a missionary even so she was physically small and frail in health. She applied to join 2 religious Orders, but was rejected by both. She became a schoolteacher and at the age of 22 was put in charge of a school. In 1880 the Bishop of Lodi, who was aware of her desire to become a missionary, summoned her. He told her, that if she wishes to become a missionary, she would have to found an Order for women missionaries, since he did not know of such an institute. She found a house for this purpose and the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart were founded. After the Papal approval of the new Order, the institute spread rapidly and new houses founded. Pope Leo the XIII urged Mother Cabrini not to look to the East, but to the West to aid Italian emigrants in America. Obediently she surrendered her own plans to go to China and set sail for America. There she arrived March 31, 1889. An orphanage for Italian children, which she and her Sisters were to conduct, was not ready. She was advised by the Archbishop of New York to return to Italy, but she remained in obedience to the Holy See. She visited the whole United States and established sixty-seven houses including orphanages, hospitals and schools in many US Cities. She then worked her way down to Central America. St. Frances Xavier trusted blindly in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and that trust was not misplaced. Her remains are venerated in the chapel of the High School named after her in New York City. Pope Pius XII canonized this humble, holy woman on July 7, 1946.

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December 23<sup>rd</sup>

**ST. MARGUERITE D’YOUVILLE**



Marie Marguerite Lajemmerais was born in 1701 to a Breton family that had emigrated to “New France”. Her father died when she was seven years of age. She married François d’Youville. She bore five children, of which only two survived. When she was widowed, she opened a small store to help pay the debts her husband left her with and to care for, François and Charles. Both her sons eventually became priests. St. Marguerite d’Youville’s great faith and confidence in the eternal Father laid the foundation for a work in the church, which persevered. She became the foundress of a community of religious women now known as the Grey Nuns. Their first house was established in Montreal. They took in needy people and soon expanded to take care of the poor and the sick. During St. Marguerite d’Youville’s lifetime they sisters responded to a call to found a house on the Red River in Manitoba, later founded houses in St. Hyacinthe, Ottawa, Quebec City, Philadelphia and Pembroke. Today the Grey Nuns are working and spreading the Good News not only in Canada and the United States, but also in Central and South America and Africa. She died December 23, 1771 and was canonized May 9, 1990. She is the first born-in-Canada Saint.

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Show us Your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us Your salvation.

Parish News

Remember we are celebrating Holy Mass every weekday morning (Monday to Friday) at 7:30 in our church. What a wonderful way to start the day. Before Mass we honor our Holy Mother by praying the Holy Rosary. Please come and join us.



Can't come to church? We want you to know that you can watch Fr. Jan celebrating all Masses via

https://guardianangelsbr.archtoronto.org

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve, December 24th, Early Christmas Mass: 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m.

Christmas Day, December 25th,:

Christmas Masses at:

9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

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NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31st, New Years Eve:

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st, New Year's Day:

9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m.

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THE TRADITION OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE



Two people are credited with giving us the Christmas Tree as we know it.

First St. Boniface, who is called the great apostle of Germany. St. Boniface was born and educated in England. He felt called to mission work and in 716 sailed with 2 companions to Friesland. He was an excellent preacher and was so successful that Pope Gregory II consecrated him bishop with jurisdiction over Germany. Legend has it that, when preaching in Germany St. Boniface witnessed people worshipping an oak tree, sacred to the people worshipping Norse gods. That angered the Saint so much that he took an axe to it and split the tree with four blows. He then used the wood to build a chapel. To his surprise in the oak tree stump a tiny fir tree sprung. St. Boniface believed that as the little fir tree grew the Christian Faith would also grow and so it became a symbol of our Faith. At this time the fir trees stayed in the forests with treats for birds and other creatures. Saint Boniface lived from about 675-754.

In the 16th century this symbol of Christian Faith was brought into our homes and also our churches. Historians trace the lights on the Christmas Trees to Martin Luther, who tried to simulate the stars in heaven by putting candles on the tree. The Christmas Tree was well established in Germany when Prince Albert brought this custom to England. It was the Hessian mercenaries that brought the custom of the Christmas Tree to North America

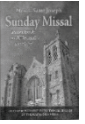


The lit Christmas tree should remind us that Jesus Christ came into this world to be our true light; a light for us to follow.

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Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His paths so you may see the salvation of the Lord.

SUNDAY MISSALS (2022/2023)



are now available for \$6.00 each after weekend Masses. Get yours now. Buying a Missal is a good way to support your Parish and building fund.

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NOTICE

To Parishioners who are using the convenient, numbered collection envelopes. Your envelopes are ready for you to pick up and we are kindly asking you to pick them up as soon as possible. Thank you for your faithful support.

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THE LAST FUND-RAISING EVENT FOR 2022 WERE HELD LAST SUNDAY .... And we would like to thank everyone who in some way made our annual Christmas Bazaar successful. A heartfelt thank you to the Fund Raising Committee and all their helpers and volunteers. THANK YOU!

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PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE!

Saturday, February 11, 2022 @6:30 p.m.

VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE

In our very own Parish Hall

10360 Creditview Road, Brampton



You may treat your wife/your whole family to a great evening of enjoyment and love for only \$50.00 per adult and \$25.00 for children under 12years of age. Come and enjoy a good dinner, dance the night away and may be go home with a prize

As in previous years we are publishing a souvenir brochure. We are offering you a chance to advertise you small or large business, or just simply send a greeting or good wishes.

All proceeds go towards our Loan-repayments. We thank you, as always, for supporting Our effort to raise funds.

For tickets and more details please email gapfundraising@gmail.com

WE ASK ALL PARISHIONERS TO HELP AND SUPPORT OUR FUND RAISING COMMITTEE IN ALL THEIR EFFORTS TO RAISE FUNDS TO HELP MEET ALL OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE.

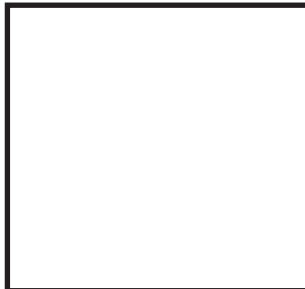
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PRAYER FOR ADVENT



LIGHT OF THE WORLD, enter the darkness of our hearts and renew us in faith, hope and love. As we prepare to celebrate the great mystery of the Incarnation, help us to see Your presence in our world, especially in the needs of the poor. Strengthen us to become true peacemakers able to love our enemies and forgive those who have offended us. Lead us to acknowledge our own sinfulness, accept Your mercy and extend Your healing love to those around us. Amen.

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