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## *Feast of the Holy Family*

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### **Feast of the Holy Family ~ 31 December 2023**

*“My eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you prepared in sight of all the peoples,  
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and glory for your people Israel.”*

— Lk 2:30-32

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**First Reading + Genesis 15:1-6, 17.3b-5, 15-16, 21:1-7**

**Second Reading + Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19**

**Gospel + Luke 2:22-40**

### **Mass Intentions for the Week.**

#### **Monday, January 1 – New Year’s Day**

*(9:00 am Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)*

9:00am + FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Rev. Norberto Eyule, Per. Int.-M/A Crowley

#### **Tuesday, January 2**

5:20pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Don Bertrand, RIP-M/A Crowley

#### **Wednesday, January 3**

8:00am+Charles O’REILLY, RIP-T. O’Reilly

10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Retirement Home

#### **Thursday, January 4**

8:00am+Ann Morgan, Per. Int – M/M Berberick

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

#### **Friday, January 5**

*(Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)*

12:10pm+Minino ANTAO, RIP – Antao Family

#### **Saturday, January 6**

*(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)*

9:00am+ Vincent FINNEGAN, RIP– J/R Farrugia

5:00pm+Goretti SILVA, RIP – M/L Gasper

#### **Sunday, January 7**

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Gilles LAPERRIERE, RIP – G. Cole

### **Saint of the Week**

The bread which you do not use is the bread of the hungry; the garment hanging in your wardrobe is the garment of him who is naked; the shoes that you do not wear are the shoes of the one who is barefoot; the money that you keep locked away is the money of the poor; the acts of charity that you do not perform are so many injustices that you commit. - *St. Basil the Great (329-379), Priest, Defender of the Faith, Feast Day January 2*

My dear Parish Family,

As we stand at the threshold of a new year, 2024, I am filled with a sense of gratitude for the journey we have undertaken together as the beloved community of St. Paul and Immaculate Conception. This moment not only marks the beginning of a fresh calendar year but also aligns with the Feast of the Holy Family, a beautiful occasion that invites us to reflect on the sacred bonds that tie us together.

In contemplating the Holy Family – Jesus, Mary, and Joseph – we find a timeless model of love, sacrifice, and unwavering faith. Just as Mary and Joseph nurtured the Christ Child with love and devotion, we are called to nurture the spiritual growth of our own families and the larger family of our parish community.

In the fast-paced world we navigate, it's easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of daily life. However, the Feast of the Holy Family serves as a tender reminder that amidst our busy schedules, our families are our sanctuaries, our places of refuge where love is shared, forgiveness is granted, and faith is cultivated. As we embrace the new year, let us pledge to strengthen these bonds within our families and, by extension, within our parish family.

The dawn of a new year offers us an opportunity to reflect on the past, learn from our experiences, and set intentions for the future. Let us approach 2024 with hope and optimism, guided by the lessons of the Holy Family. May we, like Mary, be open to the will of God in our lives, trusting that His plans are far greater than our own. May we, like Joseph, be models of integrity and selfless love, protecting and providing for those entrusted to our care.

As we embark on this new chapter, let our parish family be a beacon of light in our community, radiating the love of Christ in all that we do. Let our interactions be infused with kindness, compassion, and a genuine concern for one another. In times of joy, let us rejoice together; in times of sorrow, let us support and uplift each other.

Our journey as a parish is not merely a collection of individual stories but a collective narrative interwoven by the threads of faith, love, and shared experiences. As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family and welcome the new year, let us be mindful of the roles we play in shaping this narrative. Each one of us contributes to the canvas of our parish, and together, we create a community that reflects the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.

Let us enter 2024 with hearts full of gratitude for the blessings of the past, minds open to the lessons of the Holy Family, and a collective spirit that propels us toward a future filled with hope and joy. May the grace of God be with us as we journey together as one family in faith.

Wishing you a blessed Feast of the Holy Family and a Happy New Year!

In Christ's love,

**Fr. Norberto Eyule**  
Parish Pastor

**Collections for – Dec 10, 2023**

***(This does not include PAG collection)***

Sunday offering	\$ 5332.65
Other collection	\$ 5375.35
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$10708.00</b>

**Collections for – Dec 17, 2023**

***(This does not include PAG collection)***

Sunday offering	\$ 4266.90
Other collection	\$ 4120.10
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$8387.00</b>

The Knights of Columbus want to thank the parishioners for participating in our events and activities in 2023, including our recent Children's Christmas Party, which we believe was enjoyable for all those who attended. We look forward to the parish support through our calendar sales. The Knights will be active in 2024, and please look for our announcements in the New Year about the upcoming Valentines Dinner and Dance in February. The knights wish all parishioners a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Muffin Sunday**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone for making our muffin Sundays such a success in 2023. This social, for the good of the parish, event was restarted in 2023 after an extended pause for the pandemic. We gather approximately once a month after the 10:30 mass to enjoy two varieties of muffins, hot and cold beverages, and most importantly fellowship with our fellow parishioners, young and older, new or longtime. We look forward to seeing everyone on **Jan.14** for first muffin Sunday of **2024**.

**Celebration of Marriage Mass with Archbishop Francis Leo – February 11, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage). For questions, please email [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org) or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.



645-9pm Mondays.  
Bi-weekly. Check schedule

Jan 3-L/T mtg-7-9pm  
Jan 4-Gr 8 & 9 - Drop-in 330-5pm  
Jan 8-Ghosted



Grades 6 - 8. Mondays  
645 - 830pm Monday  
Bi-weekly. Check schedule

Jan 4- Gr 8 & 9 - Drop-in 330-5pm  
Jan 10-Edge Mtg-7-9pm, optional for Crew (teens)  
Jan 15-Clothed with the Sun

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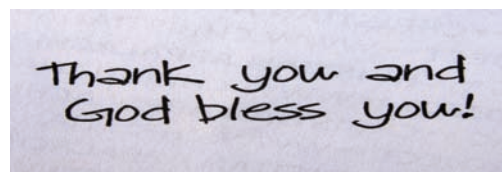
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The Father Norberto and the Pastoral Staff would like to thank you for all your greetings and gifts we received over Christmas. It indeed is heartening to know that you are appreciative of our ministry and are also praying for us.

Let us keep the Christmas spirit of loving, sharing and caring throughout the year. And let us always be thankful to God for the greatest gift He could give us –

**The Gift of His Only Son, Jesus.**

*Wishing you and your families a very*



*From: Father Norberto and the Pastoral Team!*  
*May you be blessed now and always!*







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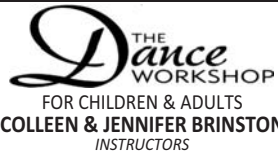
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