

Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D. Timothy Dunlop P.D.

MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon Saturday 10:00 am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am 11:30 am

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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OFFICE HOURS

Tues-Fri. 9:30 am -4:00pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary Juanita Wootton-Radko

Custodian Jim Lamers
Choirs Saturday 5:00 pm Adele Heins
Sunday 9:00 am Adele Heins
Sunday 11:30 am Diana Swift

Finance Council Pauline Brabant

Floral Decorations Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome

Greeters & Ushers Shelley LeBoeuf
Rectory Housekeeper Katie Goulbourne

GROUPS

Catholic Women's LeagueSandra Morson705-527-6375Knights of ColumbusRobert Sykes705-529-6718Marian Prayer GroupLillian Latanville705-526-3892St. Vincent de PaulFood Bank, donations, all inquiries705-526-7585

ST. MARGARET'S CEMETERY

Rose Ladouceur email: stmargaretsmicemetery@archtoronto.org 705-526-6313 ext. 4

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CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Patricia Stenton 705-956-0632 Conrad Stenton 705-529-1403

Children's Liturgy Katie Heffernan heffernankt@gmail.com

OTHER SERVICES

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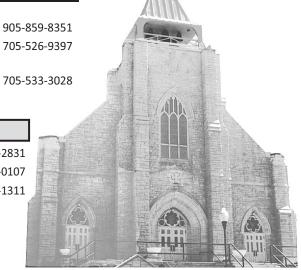
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SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School 705-526-2831 Sacred Heart School 705-526-0107

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<u>Tuesday December 6</u> St. Nicholas, Bishop

12:05 + Karen Dranitsaris

Requested by Robert Anning

Wednesday December 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop

12:05 + Katherine Nemis

Requested by Bernadette and family

Thursday December 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 Intentions of Yvette Dusome

Requested by Theresa Young

Friday December 9

11am – Holy Hour

12:05 noon +Angelo Ingriselli

Requested by Rosa and family

<u>Saturday December 10</u>

10 am + Ted Dziarmaga

Requested by Wayne & Joanne Corosky

and the residents of King Place

Third Sunday of Advent

Vigil Mass - Saturday December 10

5 pm Mass for the People

<u>Sunday - December 11</u>

9am +Frank Lajner

Requested by Maryann & John

11:30 am + Burga & Bruno Kivel

Requested by Patricia & Conrad



Sanctuary Lamp

December 4-10

This week the lamp burns for the living and deceased members of

The Jivcoff Family

Be It Ever So Humble (verse 2)

John the Baptist cuts a most fascinating figure. He is undoubtedly unafraid and tough as depicted by St. Matthew. The words used to describe him spell this out: residence: wilderness; attire: camel's hair with a leather belt; food: locusts and wild honey; occupation: desert crier and baptizer, favourite metaphors: ax, winnowing fan, unquenchable fire.

His favourite expletive: *you brood of vipers.* Wow! To call the Pharisees and Sadducees 'brood of vipers' is simply audacious. They are the most powerful groups in Judea. In those times, no one dared to go up against them, as they could make one's life miserable. They could even put someone to death, as they did to Jesus, John's cousin.

Although John the Baptist was a tough person who did not suffer fools gladly, he was a most humble person. *I am not worthy to carry his sandals*, John declared when he spoke of Jesus.

In the Talmud, a central Rabbinic Teaching text, the lowly job of a slave is as described as follows: he *buckles* master's shoes, *unlooses* his shoes, and *carries* them before him to bath. Unloosing a master's shoes is so servile a task that only a slave does it. Note that John admitted that he was not even worthy to do this for Jesus.

In this Season of Advent, let us emulate John the Baptist in his humility. For a humble heart is the best place to receive the Lord when He comes on Christmas Day.

Grace and Peace, Fr. R C R A



Please remember the following people in your prayers: Mary McCarthy; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; John Jerome



Let's Sing Together Again! Concert and Tea

Join us for songs of the season led by Adele Heins and enjoy tea and desserts in the parish hall.

A free will offering will be taken to defray the cost of new hymnals.

December 18th

2 pm Parish Hall

CWL News

Our Christmas CWL meeting will be on Monday Dec. 12th at 1:00 pm. We will enjoy a festive get together as we wrap gifts for elderly patients in Long Term Care. All the ladies of the parish are welcome to attend and take part.

If you are unable to attend but want to give a gift, call Sandra (705-527-6375) and she will pick up the gifts. Thank you for taking part in this Christmas Project.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for December

For Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations
We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations
committed to human development find people
dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek
out new paths to international cooperation.



Advent Candles

Advent Candle sets are available for purchase at the parish office for \$15 each. Limited supply-don't delay!



<u>Cemetery Winter</u> Hours

The Cemetery office will be open Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 3:30 pm and closed on Fridays. Please call 705-526-6313 ext. 4 to book an appointment.

Our Cemetery Coordinator, Rose Ladouceur is happy to assist you with monument and plot purchases through the winter before the 2023 rates come into effect January 1st.

21st Annual Friars' Student Writing Contest 2023

Theme: "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17).

High School Students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2023 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Contact

<u>ecumenical@archtoronto.org</u> or call 416-934-3400 (ext. 527) for more information or questions.

Contest closing date: January 16, 2023 at 2 PM

2023 Offering Envelopes

The 2023 Offering envelopes are now at the back of the sanctuary. Please remember to wait for January 1, 2023 before using your new box.

Confirmation Registration

Confirmation Registration Forms have been distributed to all Catholic Elementary Schools and are available online through the parish website, under sacraments or visit the parish office to pick up a registration package.

All the sacraments of the church are a celebration and an extension of the Catholic community. Confirmation is for all wishing to reaffirm their Baptismal vows and make a public commitment to their faith. Parents are encouraged to actively participate in the religious education of their children, supporting them by both word and example. Children are encouraged to prepare so that they will be ready to receive the sacraments.

Registration forms and Sponsor Registration are due on **Wed. January 11, 2023**.

There will be special Enrollment Masses for Confirmation candidates on:

Saturday, January 14th at 5:00pm or Sunday, November 15th at 11:30am



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