



Together with
Deacon Stephen Barringer
Deacon Mark Romeo
Marilyn Fernandes, our Office
Administrator, Lan Ninh, our Office
Assistant and Rev. Edward Ewczynski,
I extend to each and every one of
you our best wishes for a joyful
and grace filled Christmas

Fr. Neil

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE – DECEMBER 24, 2018

- 5:00 pm - MASS - †Deceased Members of the Torralba & Tan families (*Requested by Wilson H. Tan & family*)
7:00 pm - MASS - †Antonietta Valentino (*Requested by Alfredo Valentino and family*)
9:00 pm - MASS - †Royston Simons (*Requested by his wife, children and grandchildren*)

CHRISTMAS DAY – DECEMBER 25, 2018

- 9:00 am - MASS - †Guido Barbisan and Pietro Piccolomo (*Requested by Rino & Franca Barbisan*)
11:00 am - MASS - †Nicola Piacentino (*Requested by the family*)

NEW YEAR'S EVE – MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2018

- 5:00 pm - MASS - †Angelo Fietta (*Requested by the family*)

NEW YEAR'S DAY – JANUARY 1, 2019 (DAY OF OBLIGATION)

- 9:00 am - MASS - †Guido Barbisan (*Requested by Erma Barbisan*)
11:00 am - MASS - †Lucy Lobo (*Requested by the family*)

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Our members would like to express our gratitude to our parishioners for allowing us to carry out our ministry to the poor. May Christmas be a time of special blessings for all of us, as we give thanks to God for sending us Jesus!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Envelopes are placed on the tables at the side exits of the Church for your donations for Christmas Flowers for the Church.



CWL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, January 5th the installation of the new executive will take place after the 5 pm Mass.

MISSALS

Missals are available for \$5 each from the table at the East side exit of the Church (Parking lot side). Get your copy today.

LEGION OF MARY BOOK BORROW

After all the Masses next weekend, December 29 & 30, 2018

2019 ENVELOPE BOXES

are arranged in alphabetical order at the back of the Church. Please pick up your box but do not use it before January 1, 2019. If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please pick up an unassigned box of envelopes from the tables at the side exits of the Church, fill in the form and drop it in the Offertory basket at any weekend Mass.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE **– “SHARE THE JOURNEY”**



Every 31 minutes people around the world are forced to flee their homes because they are in a situation of insecurity and fear for their lives. The causes of forced migration are multiple, complex and interwoven --- armed conflict, religious and ethnic persecution, climate change and environmental causes, and economic and political causes. In 2017 there were 69.5 million children, women and men uprooted from their homes. The majority of them are currently in exile in some of the poorest countries on the planet.

This year Development and Peace is joining forces with Pope Francis and Caritas by inviting Canadians to “Share the Journey” with those living the tragedy of forced migration. Catholics across Canada will learn more about the causes and devastating effects of forced migration, and will take action to show solidarity with those forced to flee in the hope of living with dignity and providing for their families. At the heart of Development and Peace’s response to humanitarian crises are the following values inspired by Catholic Social Teaching: dignity, the preferential option for the poor, solidarity, participation and subsidiarity. We encourage you and your family to visit <https://www.devp.org/en> to learn more.

COMMUNITY MEAL

Every Friday. Doors open at 5 pm and dinner served at 6:45 pm.

LINKS TO FAITH – DECEMBER 23, 2018

WEEK 51 – JOY TO THE WORLD **– SCOTT HAHN – SUMMARY IN THE** **PRODIGAL CATHOLIC BLOG WEBSITE**

“What could be more familiar than the Christmas story – and yet what could be so extraordinary? Allow your Christmas to become new all over again in Scott Hahn’s book, Joy to the World. Dr. Hahn sheds light on the most important element of the Christmas story — the Holy Family — examining the characters and the story in light of biblical and historical context in an extraordinary way that will change your Christmas, this year and forever.” [I have linked to a summary of the book – but you can purchase the book at amazon.ca.](#)

To read this summary of Joy to the World, click on Links to Faith at the bottom of the parish homepage: www.stmarystarofthesea.ca & select [Week 51 – Joy to the World – Scott Hahn – Summary in The Prodigal Catholic Blog Website](#)

DANCING FOR THE COMPASS

Dancing for The Compass returns for a 12th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. on Saturday, January 26, 2019. Doors upstairs open at 7:00 pm and dancing from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am. The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$25 / person and \$30 at the door. Please phone Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 to order your tickets. It will be a fun night of 50s and 60s music with the local 8-piece band, Little Peter and the Elegants. A light buffet will be served. Fabulous raffle prizes, too!



Dufferin-Peel Information Session to **Support the Transition of Students with** **Differing Abilities into Kindergarten 2019 - 20**

On Wednesday, January 9, 2019 the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board’s Special Education and Learning Services Department will host a school entry planning and information session at the Catholic Education Centre (40 Matheson Boulevard West, Mississauga) from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. This meeting is for families of children with differing abilities, such as vision, hearing, speech, autism, physical/medical and/or developmental delays in the cognitive and/or motor areas, who are entering Kindergarten or Grade 1 in September 2019. For more information please call 905-890-0708 ext. 24011.

January 22-25 – St. James Catholic Global **Learning Centre Kindergarten Registrations**

St. James Catholic Global Learning Centre, a regional elementary school open to all Dufferin-Peel Catholic students, will be holding Kindergarten Registration for the 2019-20 school year on January 22* from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and on January 23-25 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. *A snow date has been designated on January 23 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The school provides diverse and specialized learning opportunities with a global focus for students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. Admissions open to Catholic children and children of Catholic parents. Students must be at least 4 years of age by December 31, 2019. Parents must register for their home school before registering for St. James. **Registrations accepted in-person only.** Student transportation not provided for Regional programs. For more information, contact the school office at 905-891-7619.

CRAFT GROUP

The Craft Group will not be meeting on December 26, 2018 and January 2, 2019. Meetings will resume on January 9, 2019.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY’S

SATURDAY 22ND

10:00 am Mass – †Anthony Lobo Sr.
Requested by the family
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am Confessions
5:00 pm Mass – For the People



SUNDAY 23RD

9:00 am Mass – †Alice Sousa
Requested by Luigi Barbisan & family
11:00 am Mass – †Cyril Vedd
Requested by Huguette Vedd & family
12:00 noon Children’s Christmas Dramatization of the Word Practice (Church)

MONDAY 24TH – CHRISTMAS EVE

NO MORNING MASS

5:00 pm Mass – †Deceased members of the Torralba & Tan families
Requested by Wilson H. Tan & family
7:00 pm Mass – †Antonietta Valentino
Requested by Alfredo Valentino & family
9:00 pm Mass – †Royston Simons
Req. by his wife, children & grandchildren

TUESDAY 25TH – CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 am Mass – †Guido Barbisan & Pietro Piccolomo
Requested by Rino & Franca Barbisan
11:00 am Mass – †Nicola Piacentino
Requested by the family

WEDNESDAY 26TH

NO MASS

THURSDAY 27TH

9:00 am Mass – †Teresa Nykamp
Requested by Edna Bannon & family
7:00 pm Baptism Class (Church)
7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting (Hall)

FRIDAY 28TH

9:00 am Mass – Special intention of Devina Tamburello
Requested by Shantie Toolsie
5:00 pm Community Meal (Hall)

SATURDAY 29TH

10:00 am Mass – Special intention of Shantie Toolsie
Followed by Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
10:30 am Confessions
5:00 pm Mass – For the People

SUNDAY 30TH

9:00 am Mass – †Deceased members of the Toncic & Baratto families
Requested by the Toncic family
11:00 am Mass – In thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity
2:00 pm Bible Study (SJR)
Legion of Mary Book Borrow after all the weekend Masses