

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY ROSARY PARISH TORONTO, ONTARIO Third Sunday of Advent

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR 2009 ENVELOPES



You can pick up your box **TODAY** in the Marian entrance corridor (west door). The boxes are in **numerical order**. Please remember the envelope number that you are using this year. Thank you for your continual generous support.



Advent Penitential Service: On Thursday, December 18th at 7 p.m., you are invited to attend a communal preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Several priests will be available for individual Confession.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve – Wednesday, December 24

No (Noon) Mass
7:00 p.m. Carols
7:30 p.m. Family Mass – Fr. Maurice Restivo, C.S.B.
11:30 p.m. Carols
12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass – Fr. Daniel Chui, C.S.B.
Office open from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Christmas Day – Thursday, December 25

Masses: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Office closed all day

New Year's Eve – Wednesday, December 31

Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Office open from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1

Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Masses: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Office closed all day.

HOMWORK CLUB

Report cards are out! Does your child need extra help with school work? New registrations are currently being accepted for the Homework Club for January. Register with Lindsay at 416-923-8471.

YOUTH GROUP MITTEN TREE

Next Sunday is the last day for the HR Youth Mitten Tree. Donations of mittens, scarves, hats and men's work/cotton socks will be accepted until 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 21. Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far.

LOST & FOUND: We have a number of items in our Lost & Found area, including a few pairs of prescription glasses. Please call the Parish Office if you have misplaced any belongings.

2009 MISSALS: The 2009 Missals can be purchased for \$5 at the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL, especially for: Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Nanette Bopp, John Bowie Creason, Kenneth Wood, Martha Domingue, Brillo Timothy Bettran, Dulce V. Bettran, Ann McIntyre, Louise Smith, Karen Hunter, Betty Early, Rob Buren, Linda Sarsby, Virginia Hauseman, Darlene Bianco, Goretti Ho, Judith Skyes, Hugh Bethell, Elizabeth McKenzie, Elmo Sheppard, Carm Bonovento, Barbara Noble Holding, Martin Lue Tam and Susan Stuart.

IDEAS on Website

This week's topic:
"Two Recent Films"
at www.holyrosary.ca

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Christmas is almost upon us and it's time for the Flower Guild to ask for your help. Each weekend before Christmas, there will be envelopes in all pews and Church entrances for donations toward the cost of decorating Holy Rosary for Christmas. The flower Guild depends entirely on your generosity. Please remember to include your weekly envelope number for tax purposes. With many thanks, *The Flower Guild*



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Toronto Central Council

Serving those in need in the Greater Toronto Area - turning concern into action

At Christmas time many people living in our area are in very great need. For the food vouchers that we bring to them, we rely solely on the money placed by you in the St. Vincent de Paul boxes located at the back of the Church. Over the past six months our budget breakdown has been as follows: Total number of **clients visited: 336**; **Food Vouchers given out: \$11,470**; and **Collections from Donation Boxes: \$10,963**. Our **deficit is -\$507.00**. The demand during the Christmas season is expected to be even greater. Please continue with your generous support. For more information, please visit our Bulletin Board at the back of the Church. May God bless you and your families this Christmas and in the year to come.

Eithne Heffernan
President

Toronto Serra Clubs – There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. It is possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Liborio Amaral at 416-968-0997; vocations@vocations.ca; Visit our Vocation website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

LEGACY IN WINDOWS

Holy Spirit Parish is in the process of building a new church within a few years in the south end of Barrie. This will serve the ever-growing population of our Catholic brothers and sisters. There is now an opportunity to sponsor a stain-glass window, station of the cross, chalices, mosaics, etc. for this new church. For more information call Fr. Wallace at 705-722-3771 or www.holyspiritbarrie.ca

CATHOLIC YOUTH STUDIO – 15TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Our 15th Anniversary a Solemn Thanksgiving Eucharist will take place on **Jan. 4/09** at 11 a.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, in Mississauga. This will be followed by the KSM 15th Anniversary Banquet on **Jan. 10**, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$75 each and can be purchased online (www.ksmradio.com & www.catholicradio.ca) or by calling 416-767-2996.

Briefly

Jan 6 at 8 p.m. & Sat., – Saying ‘YES’ to Life:

New Beginnings, a ministry for separated, divorced and widowed persons. Guest Speaker: John Dubeau. Location: St. Bonaventures' Church, 1300 Leslie St. Info: 416-921-1163, ext. 2246.

Jan. 5, 7 & 10, 2009 – Journey of Faith: Offering Classes in Scripture, Dogma, Ethics and More:

"*Judas in the Bible.*" (Mon. 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.), starting **Jan. 5**; "*Heaven, Hell and Everything in Between*" (Wed. 7:30 -9:00 p.m.), starting **Jan. 7**; "*John Paul II's Love and Responsibility*" (Sat. 12 – 1:30 p.m.), starting **Jan. 10**. Each course costs \$30. Info: St. Leo's Parish (905-655-3286) and check out the website: www.catholicministry.ca

Employment Opportunity – Youth Minister (full-time):

The Franciscan Church of St. Bonaventure is seeking an individual (lay or religious) to join the pastoral team. Details: www.archtoronto.org. Applications, including covering letter and curriculum vitae, using WORD should be emailed to Friar Rick Riccioli, OFM Conv., Pastor, at friar.rick@st-bonaventure.ca (with "youth minister" as the subject). Deadline: **December 21**.

Tagalog Mass: celebrated at Holy Rosary Church at 6 p.m. on the 4th Sun. of each month. The next Mass is on **Dec. 28**. The Joy of the Lord Prayer Group holds regular prayer meetings on **Sun. at 5 p.m.**

Development & Peace meetings: held on the 3rd Mon. of each month in the Parish Hall, Room 4 at **7:30 p.m.**



Saturday, December 13th, 2008

5:00 p.m. Beatrice Culhane (+)
Third anniversary of her death
Requested by Carol Culhane

Sunday, December 14th, 2008

8:00 a.m. Holy Rosary Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Deceased Family Members (+)
Requested by D. Quon
11:00 a.m. Dr. Jack Sullivan (+)
Requested by Elaine Morgan
12:30 p.m. Mrs. Katy D'Cruz (+)
Requested by Penny Edgerley

Monday, December 15th, 2008

12:10 p.m. Thanksgiving to God
Requested by Mila Navidad

Tuesday, December 16th, 2008

12:10 p.m. Felix Serrano (+)
Requested by Beth & Ging Serrano

Wednesday, December 17th, 2008

12:10 p.m. Thanksgiving
Requested by Dolly Claudio

Thursday, December 18th, 2008

12:10 p.m. Sheldon Banwhol
Requested by Liana Tedjo

Friday, December 19th, 2008

12:10 p.m. Maria Carmen Manjon (+)
Requested by Teresa De la Muez

Saturday, December 20th, 2008

5:00 p.m. Damian Louis (+)
Requested by Holy Rosary Staff

Sunday, December 21st, 2008

8:00 a.m. Holy Rosary Parishioners
9:30 a.m. Jessie Morrison (+)
Requested by Ormond Morrison
11:00 a.m. Monnie (+), William (+), Mary (+),
Ambrose (+), Bruce (+) & Ed (+) Nolan
Requested by The Family
12:30 p.m. Michael Erdman (+)
Requested by Mother