

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

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# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

## Sunday, December 26

- 9:00 a.m. Rey & Mila Villamil (I) Thanksgiving
- 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:15 p.m. +Abdulazees & James Family Dec. Mem

## Monday, December 27

NO MASS

## Tuesday, December 28

- 8:00 a.m. +Anna Maria Doti

## Wednesday, December 29

- 7:00 p.m. +Stella Silva

## Thursday, December 30

- 8:00 a.m. +Alfred Bryant Lewis

## Friday, December 31 New Year's Eve

- 8:00 a.m. Reyes Family (I) Thanksgiving
- 6:00 p.m. +Alfonso Tan

## Saturday, January 01 New Year's Day

- 9:00 a.m. FV Foods (I) *Thanksgiving*
- 11:00 a.m. +Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Raeburn

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

### Feast of the Holy Family

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28

2nd Reading: 1 John 3.1-2, 21-24

Gospel: Luke 2.41-52

### The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

#### Building Families on Prayer

The Holy Family went through many of the same experiences that all parents and children experience today. They too would have had moments of great joy and difficult trials as well as many moments of simple ordinary life. Jesus, Mary and Joseph are the perfect example of how families should live in holiness and stewardship. Let us take some time today, on this Feast of the Holy Family, to seek ways to imitate them.

The Gospel from Luke recounts how “every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover.” Mary and Joseph took their faith very seriously and sought to pass on their beliefs to their child. They realized that while there are many important things that a child needs to grow, their relationship with God should be their first priority. They would have also taken Jesus to the synagogue and taught him how to pray and read the scriptures.

We can take their example to heart by striving to make our faith the highest priority in our families as well. We can strive to be great parental stewards just like Mary and Joseph. For starters, we should make attending Sunday Mass the most important aspect of our week. We can supplement this by regularly going as a family for times of Confession and trying to pray together at home. One beautiful practice we can try to adopt is praying the Rosary together. If an entire rosary together is too difficult due to everyone’s schedules, perhaps we can pray just one decade together. Let us commit to making our families beautiful and holy just like that blessed family from Nazareth.

### Summary

The Gospel from Luke today recounts how “every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover.” Mary and Joseph took their faith very seriously and sought to pass on their beliefs to their child. We can take their example to heart by striving to make our faith the highest priority in our families as well by teaching the importance of the Mass and family prayer.

## Feast of the Holy Family – December 26, 2021

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact **Rev. Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997**;



email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call **Rev. Fr. Mark Robson** at 416-757-2806 or at [olfatimasc@archtoronto.org](mailto:olfatimasc@archtoronto.org) for more information.

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DONATION ENVELOPES BOXES FOR 2022



The boxes with your donation envelopes for 2022 are ready for pick up. They are sorted in trays in alphabetical order according to the family's last name.

Registered parishioners are kindly asked to inform the office of any changes to their personal data. New parishioners are encouraged to register and get their personal box number so that contributions will be acknowledged by the issuing of a tax receipt at the end of the year. Updated information is always a great help to the office. Thank you.



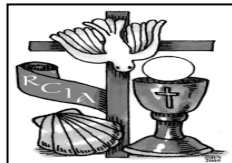
First Holy Communion 2021-2022

Students in Grade 2 & Grade 3 are on Christmas break. Wishing all the students and their family a blessed Christmas and prosperous New Year. Classes will resume on January 09, 2022.



R.C.I.A. Program: Oct. 2021 – Apr. 2022

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) program are also on their Christmas break. Meeting will resume on January 09, 2022 at 12:15 pm Mass. May you all have restful & joyous Christmas and a bountiful New Year!



CONFIRMATION 2021-2022

All students for CONFIRMATION 2021-2022 Grade 7 & Grade 8 are now welcome to register, deadline for registration is Friday, January 21, 2022, please don't delay as we will not accept any late registration after this date. Application will be available both church office and school. Call the office at 416-757-2806 or email at olfatimasc@archtoronto.org if you have any questions.



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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2022 "We saw the the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt.2:2)

Sunday, January 23, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough EASTERN REGION.

Join Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches. All are welcome to attend in person or watch the livestream on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch. For details, please visit: https://bit.ly/3Gm0CZj

New Year' Day 2022 Schedules

Sunday, December 26 Regular Scheduled is followed

Monday to Thursday December 27

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Friday, December 31 New Year's Eve at 8:00 am Holy Mass

End of the Year Holy Mass at 6:00 pm

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Saturday, January 01 NEW YEAR's at 9:00 am & 11:00 am Holy Mass

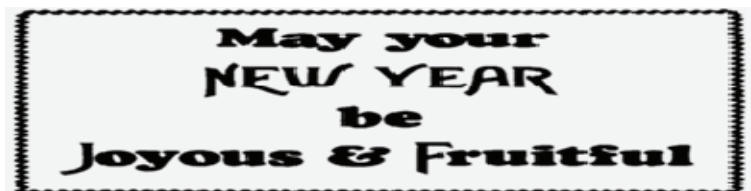
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Sunday, January 2 Regular Schedule is followed.

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The Parish Office is closed on all statutory holidays!

December 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & January 3<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day falling on the weekend.



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