

# Guardian Angels Parish

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## WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; 12:00 noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m.

First Friday: 7:30 p.m. (after the 6 p.m. Holy Hour & First Friday Devotion)

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 30 minutes before Masses

## BAPTISM IS CELEBRATED

Only for those parishioners of this parish who are currently practicing their faith. Pre-Baptismal instructions are required.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact the parish priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. This means that you must take a marriage course.

## OUR SCHOOLS:

**Guardian Angels** 905-595-0909

Principal: Maria Limarzi  
62 Heatherdale Dr., Brampton, ON L7A 2H4

**St. Angela Merici** 905-840-1505

Principal: Diana Linardic  
83 Edenbrook Hill Dr., Brampton, ON

**St. Bonaventure** 905-970-9069

Principal: Tom Condotta  
35 McCrimmon Dr., Brampton, ON L7A 2Z5

**St. Edmund Campion** 905-846-7124

Principal: Maria Locicero  
275 Brisdale Dr., Brampton, ON L7A 3C7

**St. Lucy** 905-840-3121

Principal: Laurie Condo  
25 Kanata Road, Brampton, ON L7A 3R2

**St. Aidan** 905-840-3042

Principal: Adrienne Dalli  
34 Buick Blvd., Brampton, ON L7A 3B9

**St. Daniel Comboni** 905-495-4621

Principal: Monica Thompson  
120 Veterans Drive, Brampton, ON L7A 3Z7

## JOIN THE GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH FAMILY

DATE MMM-DD-YYYY ☐ New Parishioner ☐ Change of Information ☐ Moving New Address

### HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD (Primary Contact)

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Home # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt./Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

### SPOUSE ☐ N/A

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_  
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☐ Pre-numbered envelopes. Please choose this option only if you intend to contribute every week (e.g., every Sunday).

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☐ Include both spouse names on tax receipt? **YES / No**

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Sunday, December 10

- 9:00 a.m. +Harold D'Souza by Martha & Depak Patel & Family  
+Edwin Joseph Idhaw by Gerard & Joy Del Castillo  
10:30 a.m. No Mass intentions  
12:00 p.m. +Ricardo Pangantihon by Mari Socorro Pangantihon  
Thanksgiving of Hapuarachchi Family

### Monday, December 11

- 7:30 a.m. +Gladys Onaufriou by St. Bonaventure School Council  
7:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

### Tuesday, December 12

- 7:30 a.m. +Laura Platon by Ramon Platon  
7:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

### Wednesday, December 13

- 7:30 a.m. +John Gomes by Martha Depak & Family  
+John Gomes by Vince, Helen & Family  
7:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

### Thursday, December 14

- 7:30 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory by Maria Borges  
7:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

### Friday, December 15

- 7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions  
7:00 p.m. No Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 16

- 5:00 p.m. Spec.Int.-Christelle Berroya by Berroya Family  
+Deceased Members of Gomes Family by Vince, Helen & Family

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"The readings for the 2nd Sunday of Advent Year B tell us of John the Baptist and his call to repentance. The first reading foretells the coming of John the Baptist. The psalm reminds us that the Lord is kind and just. The second reading encourages us to grow in holiness. And in the gospel, John the Baptist is baptizing people in preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ."

([www.young-catholics.com](http://www.young-catholics.com))

### THE LORD'S PROMISE:

"The Lord himself will give his benefits...and prepare the way of his steps." (Ps 85:13a, 14b)

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John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) | [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for Your church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. Amen.

## REFLECTION ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT STRAIGHTEN THE PATH

Reflection by Scott Hahn

St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

"Our God is coming. The time of exile—the long separation of humankind from God due to sin—is about to end. This is the good news proclaimed in today's liturgy.

Isaiah in today's First Reading promises Israel's future release and return from captivity and exile. But as today's Gospel shows, Israel's historic deliverance was meant to herald an even greater saving act by God—the coming of Jesus to set Israel and all nations free from bondage to sin, to gather them up and carry them back to God.

God sent an angel before Israel to lead them in their exodus toward the promised land (see Exodus 23:20). And He promised to send a messenger of the covenant, Elijah, to purify the people and turn their hearts to the Father before the day of the Lord (see Malachi 3:1–4).

John the Baptist quotes these, as well as Isaiah's prophecy, to show that all of Israel's history looks forward to the revelation of Jesus. In Jesus, God has filled in the valley that divided sinful humanity from Himself. He has reached down from heaven and made His glory to dwell on earth, as we sing in today's Psalm.

He has done all this not for humanity in the abstract but for each of us. The long history of salvation has led us to this Eucharist, in which our God again comes and our salvation is near. And each of us must hear in today's readings a personal call. Here is your God, Isaiah says. He has been patient with you, Peter says in today's Epistle.

Like Jerusalem's inhabitants in the Gospel, we have to go out to Him, repenting our sins, all the laziness and self-indulgence that make our lives a spiritual wasteland. We have to straighten out our lives so that everything we do leads us to Him.

Today, let us hear the beginning of the Gospel and again commit ourselves to lives of holiness and devotion.

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## WEEKDAY EVENING MASS

November 1, 2023 – December 22, 2023 | 7:00 p.m.

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## SAINT LUCY

**Feast Day: December 13**

*Patron of Blindness*

"Lucy's history has been lost and all we really know for certain is that this brave woman who lived in Syracuse lost her life during the persecution of Christians in the early fourth century. Her veneration spread to Rome so that by the sixth century the whole Church recognized her courage in defense of the faith.

Because people wanted to shed light on Lucy's bravery, legends began to crop up. The one that has passed the test of time tells the story of a young Christian woman who vowed to live her life in service of Christ. Her mother tried to arrange a marriage for her with a pagan and Lucy knew her mother could not be swayed by a young girl's vow, so she devised a plan to convince her mother that Christ was the better partner for life.

After several prayers at the tomb of Saint Agatha, Lucy saw the saint in a dream. St. Agatha told Lucy her mother's illness would be cured through faith, which Lucy used to persuade her mother to give the dowry money to the poor and allow her to commit her life to God.

While Lucy and her mother were grateful to God, the rejected bridegroom was deeply angered and betrayed Lucy's faith to the governor Paschasius. The governor attempted to force her into defilement at a brothel, but the guards who came to take her away were unable to move her, even after hitching her to a team of oxen. The guards heaped bundles of wood around her but it wouldn't burn so they finally resorted to their swords, and Lucy met her death.

Sigebert (1030-1112), a monk of Gembloux, wrote sermo de Sancta Lucia, in which he described Lucy's body as remaining undisturbed in Sicily for 400 years until Faroald II, Duke of Spoleto, seized the island and transferred Lucy's remains to Abruzzo, Italy. It was later removed by Emperor Otho I in 972 to Metz and left in the church of St. Vincent. There is much confusion about what happened to her body after its stay at St. Vincent's, but it is believed that several pieces of her body can be found in Rome, Naples, Verona, Lisbon, Milan, Germany, France and Sweden.

In 1981, thieves stole all but her head but police were able to recover them on her feast day.

Lucy, whose name can mean "light" or "lucid," is the patron saint of the blind. She is often seen with the emblem of eyes on a cup or plate. In paintings, she is often depicted with a golden plate holding her eyes and often holds a palm branch, which is a symbol of victory over evil."

Saint Lucy's Prayer:

*Saint Lucy, you did not hide your light under a basket, but let it shine for the whole world, for all the centuries to see. We may not suffer torture in our lives the way you did, but we are still called to let the light of our Christianity illumine our daily lives. Please help us to have the courage to bring our Christianity into our work, our recreation, our relationships, our conversation -- every corner of our day. Amen."*  
(www.catholic.org/saints)

## ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION UNDERWAY— SHARE YOUR IDEAS TO ASSIST WITH FUTURE PLANNING!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, please visit: [www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation) to read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and complete the short survey by December 15, 2023, Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

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## SL ShareLife

**Your compassion helps people with disabilities**

*Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until December 31, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched up to \$500,000.*

Through your compassionate generosity, Mary Centre partners with adults with a developmental disability in its mission of "building a good life." This ShareLife-funded agency offers integrated support services, providing respite for clients and their caregivers.

Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

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## PARISH EVENTS

Sunday, December 10	Christmas Bazaar
Sunday, December 31	New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance
Saturday, February 10, 2024	Valentine's Dinner & Dance

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## BE A VOLUNTEER

*Volunteering is a gift and a privilege*

The **SAFETY ENVIRONMENT POLICY** mandated within the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2001 requires every volunteer to complete the Volunteer Screening Program prior to starting ministry work.

To learn more about the program, visit our parish website at <https://guardianangelsbr.archtoronto.org/en/> access the page through the QR code



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