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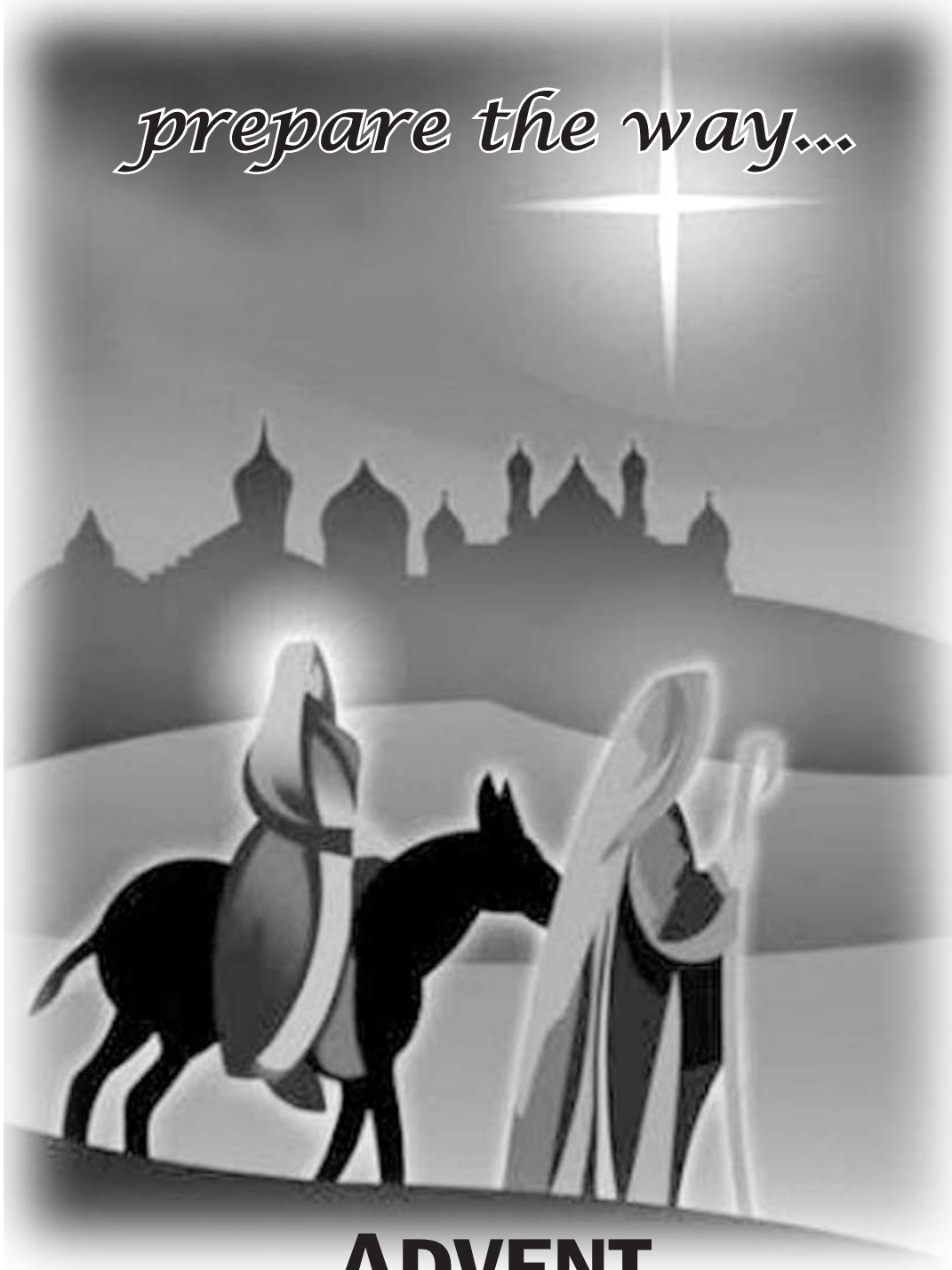
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ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, December 22

- 9:00 a.m. +Deceased members of the Villavert & Bayas Families by Bayas Family
+Deceased members of the Torralba & Del Castillo Families by Del Castillo Family
10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving of Ma.Socorro Pangantihon
Thanksgiving of Venus Dawood by Katie & Steve Kiss

Monday, December 23

- 7:30 a.m. +Carlos Fortuna by Dairo Family

Tuesday, December 24

- 5:00 p.m. Special Intentions of Geethika & Vinay Srampickal by Punnooran Family
7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving of Jon Villanueva
+Pacifico Cabuay by Cabuay-Amurao Family

Wednesday, December 25

- 10:30 a.m. Thanksgiving of the Monteiro Family
+Everest Reign Paralo by Zeny & Gardiner Family
12 p.m. No Mass Intentions

Thursday, December 26

- 7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

Friday, December 27

- 7:30 a.m. No Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 28

- 5:00 p.m. Special Intention for all children's well being & spiritual lives by Periera Family

THE LORD'S PROMISE:

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Lk 1:45)

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest, deacon or religious to carry the Good News of God's great Love? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997, vocations@archtoronto.org, 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.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

from REV. RAVI KAKUMANU

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Christmas is a time of reflection and renewal. It reminds us of the great hope that Christ's birth brought into a world in need of healing. As we celebrate His arrival with family, friends, and fellow parishioners, let us remember the call to be instruments of peace, hope kindness, and compassion in all that we do.

His Holiness Pope Francis declared year 2025 as the Jubilee year. Jubilee will be centered on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." As His Holiness Pope Francis so beautifully expressed it: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision."

May this Christmas and the New Year fill your homes with the warmth of His presence, your hearts with the joy of His grace, and your lives with the hope of a new beginning. Let us walk together in faith, knowing that God's love never fails and His promises are ever true.

I want to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to all of you—our faithful parishioners—for your unwavering love and commitment to our parish family. Whether you have been here for many years or are new to our community, you are a vital part of our church, and your presence is a gift to us all.

A special thank you to our dedicated volunteers, who selflessly give of their time, talents, and energy to serve the parish in so many ways—whether through liturgical ministries, outreach programs, or small acts of kindness. Your work is a living reflection of Christ's love in action, and we are deeply grateful for each and every one of you.

I hope and pray that you all continue to be involved more and more in the church and become messengers of hope and peace in the world.

Wishing each of you a blessed and peaceful Christmas, and a New Year filled with peace, hope, and abundant blessings.



A Blessed Christmas to all!

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE:

Tuesday, December 24th : 5 p.m. | 7 p.m. | 12 midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY:

Wednesday, December 25th : 10:30 a.m. | 12 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE:

Tuesday, December 31st : 5 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S DAY /FEAST OF MARY:

Wednesday, January 1st : 9 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. | 12 p.m.

REFLECTION on the 4th Sunday of Advent

A Mother's Greeting

Excerpts from young-catholics.com

“On this last Sunday before Christmas, the Church’s Liturgy reveals the true identity of our Redeemer: He is, as today’s First Reading says, the “ruler . . . whose origin is from . . . ancient times.” He will come from Bethlehem, where David was born of Jesse the Ephrathite and anointed king (see Ruth 4:11–17; 1 Samuel 16:1–13; 17:1; Matthew 2:6).

God promised that an heir of David would reign on his throne forever (see 2 Samuel 7:12–13; Psalm 89; Psalm 132:11–12).

Jesus is that heir, the One the prophets promised would restore the scattered tribes of Israel into a new kingdom (see Isaiah 9:5–6; Ezekiel 34:23–25, 30; 37:35). He is “the shepherd of Israel” sung of in today’s Psalm. From His throne in heaven, He has “come to save us.”

Today’s Epistle tells us that He is both the Son of David and the only “begotten” Son of God, come “in the flesh” (see also Psalm 2:7). He is also our “high priest,” from the mold of the mysterious Melchizedek, “priest of God Most High,” who blessed Abraham at the dawn of salvation history (see Psalm 110:4; Genesis 14:18–20).

All this is recognized by John when he leaps for joy in his mother’s womb. Elizabeth, too, is filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. She recognizes that in Mary “the mother of my Lord” has come to her. We hear in her words another echo of the Psalm quoted in today’s Epistle (see Psalm 2:7). Elizabeth blesses Mary for her faith that God’s Word would be fulfilled in her.

Mary marks the fulfillment not only of the angel’s promise to her, but of all God’s promises down through history. Mary is the one they await in today’s First Reading—“she who is to give birth.” She will give birth this week, at Christmas. And the fruit of her womb should bring us joy—she is the mother of our Lord.”

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VALENTINE DINNER & DANCE

Saturday, February 1, 2025

6:30 p.m. | Guardian Angels Parish Hall

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PILGRIMAGE: MEDJUGORJE, CROATIA, HUNGARY, AUSTRIA, CZECH REP. & POLAND

- Spiritual Director: Fr. Ravi Kakumanu
- May 25 – June 6, 2025 (12 days)
- \$4,850 includes all taxes & tips
- Contact: Joanita 647.262.2532 | joanita2008@live.ca



DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION (2025-2026)

Registration is open to Catholic children and children of Catholic parents. Kindergarten students must be at least four (4) years of age by December 31, 2025.

The following documents are required to complete the registration process:

- Proof of age of the child
- Original Roman Catholic baptismal certificate (for child and/or parent/guardian) or original baptismal certificate from a church in full communion with the Holy See of Rome or an Eastern Catholic Church.
- Immunization Reference #'s from the local Public Health Unit
- Proof of Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status
- Proof of home address
- Proof of English Separate School Support

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