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Feast of the Holy Family

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

His Holiness Pope Francis on the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, (from a homily on 1 January 2018)

"The year opens in the name of the Mother. Mother of God is the most important title of Our Lady. But we might ask why we say Mother of God, and not Mother of Jesus. In the past some wanted to be content simply with the latter, but the Church has declared that Mary is the Mother of God. We should be grateful, because these words contain a magnificent truth about God and about ourselves. From the moment that our Lord became incarnate in Mary, and for all time, he took on our humanity. There is no longer God without man; the flesh Jesus took from his Mother is our own, now and for all eternity. To call Mary the Mother of God reminds us of this: God is close to humanity, even as a child is close to the mother who bears him in her womb. … Devotion to Mary is not spiritual etiquette; it is a requirement of the Christian life. Looking to the Mother, we are asked to leave behind all sorts of useless baggage and to rediscover what really matters. The gift of the Mother, the gift of every mother and every woman, is most precious for the Church, for she too is mother and woman. While a man often abstracts, affirms and imposes ideas, a woman, a mother, knows how to "keep", to put things together in her heart, to give life. If our faith is not to be reduced merely to an idea or a doctrine, all of us need a mother's heart, one which knows how to keep the tender love of God and to feel the heartbeat of all around us. May the Mother, God's finest human creation, guard and keep this year, and bring the peace of her Son to our hearts and to our world."

Dear beloved parishioners, Have a blessed year to come, 2020. Mary Mother of God, Pray for us

Msgr Gigi Philip

St. Vincent de Paul

Dear Parishioners,

Please read this carefully. If you make a donation to the Society of St. Vincent De Paul using an envelope, your donation will be recorded separately from the weekly parish donation. In February you will receive a charitable tax receipt from the Society if you have contributed $20 or more in the previous year.

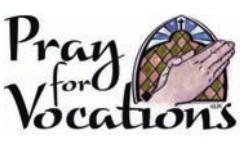
Please write your name and address CLEARLY on the envelope. Do NOT just put your parish offering envelope number.

In this way we will have a proper account of your contribution.

Please also note: Donations for Mary Grove Camp go directly to the archdiocese and are receipted along with your parish donations.

Thank for your continued support of our neighbours in need.

The Feast of the Holy Family is not only the veneration of Jesus, Mary and Joseph as a family but also a celebration of the Christian family. Veneration of the Holy Family has been practiced in Canada since the 17th century, being then promoted by Msgr. François Montmorency de Laval, the first bishop of Canada.



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By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray 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, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

DEC 31 (Tuesday)
07:00 pm – New Year Thanksgiving Mass

JANUARY 01 (Wednesday)
10:00 am - Italian
11:30 am – English

To Start A New Year. . . . . .

"A new year is unfolding—like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within.

Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good—with the comfort of warmth in our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others.

As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible—with Your help and guidance."

January 18
January 25
St. Norbert 9:00 – 10:30 am
St. Robert 11:00 – 12:30 pm

January 13th Monday
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

WELCOME!

If you are a new parishioner or someone who has been attending St. Norbert's Parish but has never registered we ask that you please register. Forms are located at the main entrances of the church and in the church office. Once completed you may simply drop the registration form in the collection basket, give to an usher or bring to the church office. Registration is very important especially for any future sacramental celebrations. Also, please introduce yourself to the parish priest who would be pleased to meet you personally.
Just as your home must be maintained and your family cared for so does your parish need to be maintained and cared for.
We encourage you to either sign up for PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving Plan) or use weekly Offertory envelopes. PAG forms are available at the church entrances and in the church office. Donation envelopes are available at the church office.

Mass Intentions

SAT/sabato – Dec/dicembre 28
5:00 PM – +Berardino & Joseph Iafrate

SUN/domenica – Dec/dicembre 29
9:00 AM - +Luigi Di Pronio

10:30 AM– +Joseph Nucara
+Deceased family of Melvin & Cherry Viaje
Thanksgiving from Melvin & Cherry Viaje
12:00 PM -

TUE/martedi – Dec/dicembre 31
7:00 PM - New Year Thanksgiving Mass
WED/mercoledi – Jan/gennaio 01
10:00 AM– Italian
11:30 AM - English
THU/giovedi – Jan/gennaio 02
8:30 AM- No Mass
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