

Solennita' di Maria Santissima Madre di Dio - 1 gennaio, 2023



Messe della Settimana

Mass Intentions

Martedì - Tuesday, January 3

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Memorial Mass - Giovanni Antonio Raimondi

Mercoledì - Wednesday, January 4

7:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Memorial Mass - Rafaele Babusci

Giovedì - Thursday, January 5

9:00 a.m. - Santa Messa

†Luigi Germanese

Venerdì - Friday, January 6

St. Andre' Bessette

7:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†John Sousa & All the souls of purgatory

†Teresa & Elmis Pagnucco

Sabato - Saturday, January 7

5:00 p.m. - Santa Messa

†Pro Populo

Domenica - Sunday, January 9

9:00 a.m. - Santa Messa

†Pasquale & Giulietta Fragale

†Giuseppe Montesano

†Gianluigi Bertolone

†For the health of Amanda Bertolone

†Gisella & Nadia Lijoi

11:00 a.m. - Holy Mass

†Guerino Masella

†Franco Olivieri



Venerdì, 6 gennaio - Primo Venerdì del Mese

6:00 p.m. - Esposizione del SS.Sacramento

6:30p.m.—Preghiere comunitarie

7:00p.m.—Santa Messa

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 2nd for the New Years' holiday.

If you need a priest, please leave a voice message.

CHIUSURA DEL'UFFICIO

L'Ufficio sarà chiuso il 2 di gennaio in occasione del Capodanno. Se avete bisogno del sacerdote, lasciate un messaggio.

Passion Play 2023

St. Fidelis Parish is preparing for the Passion Play 2023. If you would like to be part of the play, please attend the third meeting in the gym

on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Offertory: December 25, 2022: \$4,654.60

Thank you for your support!

Gospel reflection: Lk 2: 16-21

The year opens in the name of the Mother of God. Mother of God is the most important title of Our Lady. 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.

Only one thing is said about the Mother of God:

"Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (Lk 2:19). What were these things? They were joys and sorrows. On the one hand, the birth of Jesus, the love of Joseph, the visit of the shepherds, that radiant night. But on the other, an uncertain future, homelessness "because there was no place for them in the inn" (Lk 2:7), the desolation of rejection, the disappointment of having to give birth to Jesus in a stable. Hopes and worries, light and darkness:

all these things dwelt in the heart of Mary.

(An extract from the homily of Pope Francis)

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Il Vangelo di Domenica

L'anno si apre nel nome della Madre di Dio. Madre di Dio è il titolo più importante della Madonna. Dire Madre di Dio ci ricorda questo: Dio è vicino all'umanità come un bimbo alla madre che lo porta in grembo. Della Madre di Dio si dice una sola frase: «Custodiva tutte queste cose, meditandole nel suo cuore» (Lc 2,19). Quali erano queste cose? Erano gioie e dolori: da una parte la nascita di Gesù, l'amore di Giuseppe, la visita dei pastori, quella notte di luce. Ma dall'altra: un futuro incerto, la mancanza di una casa, «perché per loro non c'era posto nell'alloggio» (Lc 2,7); la desolazione del rifiuto; la delusione di aver dovuto far nascere Gesù in una stalla. Speranze e angosce, luce e tenebra: tutte queste cose popolavano il cuore di Maria.



Maria SS. Madre di Dio primo gennaio

MESSA PRO POPULO

Can. 534 - §1 afferma: "Dopo aver preso possesso della parrocchia, il parroco ha l'obbligo di applicare la Messa per il popolo affidatogli ogni domenica e nelle feste che nella sua diocesi sono di precetto". Ogni parroco deve offrire la

Messa pro popolo e dovrebbe essere

annunciata nel bollettino come "pro popolo" o "per il popolo della parrocchia". La Messa Pro Popolo non va unita ad altre intenzioni. **A partire da gennaio 2023, la Messa del**

sabato alle 17:00 sarà riservata Pro Popolo. Non

prenderemo intenzioni speciale per questa messa. Potete offrire le vostre intenzioni nell'altre messe durante i giorni feriali e nel weekend. Grazie per la vostra comprensione.

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God - January 01, 2023

PASTOR'S CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

I wish you a Holy and Blessed Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. May the Love, Joy and Peace of Baby Jesus be in your hearts and your homes.

During Christmas time we once again realize how blessed we are.

We are preparing ourselves to celebrate the physical entrance of God in human history.

What a great mystery: "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (Jn: 1,14).

December is a time to reflect on the past year. God did not get tired of reminding us in different ways that

He was with us all the time, in times of joy and times of sadness.

Christmas reminds us that we are important in the eyes of God and that He also counts on us to make the world a better place to live. We know that there is room for improvement, don't we? To do so we only have to follow

His example by being men and women who go about doing good to others.

May our God of Love bless you and your families in a special way this Christmas, filling you with joy, hope and love.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year! Fr. Lijo Jose



Website Announcement

Over the past couple of weeks our parish IT team has been working hard to update our parish website - <https://stfidelisto.archtoronto.org> Starting from January 1, our old website (<https://stfidelis.ca/>) will cease functioning. Please check out our updated website for weekly parish bulletins, Mass and Confession schedule, Mass live streaming, sacramental updates, upcoming events and much more.

New Years Prayer

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. Remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time. Amen



Missa Pro Populo

Canon 534 §1 states that: "After a pastor has taken possession of his parish, he is obliged to apply a Mass for the people entrusted to him on each Sunday and holy day of obligation in his diocese." Every pastor is required to offer the Mass pro popolo and it should be listed in the bulletin as either "pro popolo," or "for the People of the Parish."

The Mass pro popolo is not to be combined with other intentions. **Starting from January 2023, the 5.00 p.m. English mass will be set apart for Pro popolo. We will not be taking any special intentions for this mass.** You may offer your intentions for all other masses during weekdays and weekends.

Thank you for your understanding.

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

All remaining Offertory envelopes for 2023 have been dispatched thanks to the time and hard work of the volunteers. If you haven't received a box of envelopes, please advise the parish office either in person, by email or by phone. **On the first few 2023 envelopes, please write your name and complete address so that the office can ensure your correct information when sending out tax receipts.**



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

"More wisdom from Pope Francis as we celebrate World Day of Prayer for Peace..."
Peace, which the angels proclaimed to the shepherds on Christmas night, is a profound aspiration for everyone...Among these whom I constantly keep in my thoughts and prayers, I would once again mention the over 250 million migrants worldwide, of whom 22.5 million are refugees. These are "men and women, children, young and elderly people, who are searching for somewhere to live in peace."



We know that it is not enough to open our hearts to the suffering of others. Much more remains to be done before our brothers and sisters can once again live peacefully in a safe home. Welcoming others requires concrete commitment, a network of assistance and goodwill, vigilant and sympathetic attention, the responsible management of new and complex situations that at times compound numerous existing problems, to say nothing of resources, which are always limited. By practicing the virtue of prudence, government leaders should take practical measures to welcome, promote, protect, integrate and, "within the limits allowed by a correct understanding of the common good, to permit them to become part of a new society."