

Advent Penance Schedule

Penance Service | Tuesday, December 10, 7pm | Many priests will be available for private confession.

Additional Confession Times During Advent: Saturdays 11am to noon and 4pm to 5pm; Tuesday, Dec 17 11:30am to noon; Thursday, Dec 19 4:30pm to 5pm; Friday, Dec 20 4:30 pm-5pm; Tuesday, Dec 24 11:30am to noon.

The Lord is waiting – so come to the Lord and experience the extraordinary grace of his mercy!

Parish Events

Young Adults Group | Board Games Night | Tuesday, Dec 3, 7pm-9pm | Riddle Room, 579 Yonge St | Contact youngadults@lourdes.to

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | Every 1st Friday of the Month | From 8:30 am until 7pm | Come and spend some time in quiet prayer | Next date: Friday, December 6th

Seniors Day Program | Ages 55+ | Friday, Dec 6 – 1pm-3:30pm | Lynch Hall | Lunch (\$2) & Expressive Arts Activity | Questions? Contact bill@lourdes.to

Parish Christmas Party | Sunday, Dec 8 1:30pm to 4:30pm | Our Parish Christmas Party includes a carol sing-a-long, and a visit with Santa!

Simbang Gabi | Nightly from Dec 15 to 23 | Mass begins at 7pm followed by a reception each night.

What is Simbang Gabi?

‘Simbang Gabi’ is Filipino for ‘Night Mass’ a devotional nine-day series of Masses in anticipation of Christmas. Each of the Masses will be sponsored by a different group in the parish and a reception will follow the Mass each night. Simbang Gabi is a wonderful way to prepare for the gift of the Incarnation: the Christ child at Christmas. All are welcome to gather in hope and praise.

Alpha | Winter Alpha begins with the Come & See on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6PM in Lynch Hall | Visit www.lourdes.to/alpha for more information and to register.

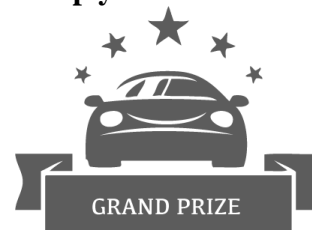
Parish Announcements

Thank You from Development & Peace: Thank you to everyone who supported Development & Peace’s Fall Campaign last weekend on “Care for Our Common Home.” Over 560 of you signed the letters in support of those defending the Amazon rainforest and the rights of indigenous people there. To connect with the Our Lady of Lourdes chapter of Development & Peace, please contact info@lourdes.to and we will refer you to the group leader. Thank you.

2020 Church Envelopes are available for pick up at the back of the church. They are in alphabetical order. Pick up your box of envelopes today!

New Sunday Missals will be in the pews this weekend (Dec 1). If you would like your own copy, they are available for \$4 from the Welcome Desk or the Parish Office

Lourdes 2019 Car Raffle Pick up your tickets today!



This Year’s Prize Board:

Grand Prize: 2019 Honda HR-V LX HS
(valued at \$27,057) or \$22,019 cash
2nd Prize: \$3,000 cash
3rd Prize: \$2,000 Cash
8 additional prizes of \$100 each

Raffle Draw: Saturday, February 8, 2020

Help us make this raffle a **HUGE** success! Pick up a book (or two) after Mass or from the Parish Office during the week. Tickets are available for \$10 each from our Welcome Desk.

Proceeds for the raffle will go towards the renovations of the Welcome Spaces of the church.
Pick up your tickets today!

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 2

8:00am EDELMIRA GIL & JOSEFINA ZAVALA +
[Guadalupe Fuller]
12:10pm John, MARIE Lopez & George Fuller + [Guadalupe Fuller]
5:15pm GERMANA RODRIGUES + [Friend]

Tuesday, December 3

8:00am ROSALIA, CARMELA & JOSEFINA MEDINA GIL +
[Guadalupe Fuller]
12:10pm RUPERTA & REMEDIOS Monge + [Oliver Family]
5:15pm Martin Bautista + [Bautista Family]

Wednesday, December 4

8:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory [Henriette Cudmore]
12:10pm David Sequeira + [Champion Family]
5:15pm Joseph Kaposi's Intention [Lydia & Mike Sherlock]

Thursday, December 5

8:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory [Henriette Cudmore]
12:10pm WEENA LEJARDE + [Ophie Calapatia]
5:15pm Thanksgiving [Carlina Tarampi]

Friday, December 6

8:00am Vincent Smith + [Yvonne Parnell]
12:10pm Thanks to St. Nicholas [Joseph Kaposi]
5:15pm All Souls in Purgatory [Cora Balatero]

Saturday, December 7

8:00am George Ward + [Gigi Gaceta]
12:10pm Efren Diokno + [Alisa Diokno]

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:
Barbara Brooks, Ellore Caballero, Alex Matela
Carol McDaniel, Juliet Marciales

Volunteer Opportunities

Preparations for Advent & Christmas: We have so much coming up and so much to do to prepare for Christmas – we could use your help! That includes decorating the church and halls, as well as helping with events like the Parish Christmas Party (December 8th) and Simbang Gabi (December 15th-23rd). Contact: anna@lourdes.to

Around the Archdiocese

Steve Bell Benefit Concert for Canadian Jesuits International | Dec 12 at 7:30pm | Knox Presbyterian Church, 630 Spadina Rd | Tickets \$20 | stevebell.com

Social Outreach

Questions? Contact bill@lourdes.to or ext. 2556

Caroling to the Jesuit Infirmary | Saturday, December 21st | Join fellow Lourdes parishioners as we bring cheer and song to retired and infirmed Jesuit priests at the Jesuit Infirmary in Pickering | Meet at Lynch Hall @ 12pm | Transportation to and from Pickering available | Return to Lourdes @ ~4pm | Organized by the Young Adults Group | RSVP to bill@lourdes.to or 416-924-6257 x2556

Bereavement Ministry Update | Seven volunteers from Our Lady of Lourdes attended the Archdiocese of Toronto's Bereavement Ministry Training over two weekends in November. We are preparing to launch this new ministry in the Parish in 2020. Thank you to all of the volunteers who took part in the training.



Beauty from our Faith

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @LourdesToronto for inspiration throughout the week

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open the doors of hope."

~ Pope Benedict XVI

Lourdes at a glance: the week of December 1 to 7, 2019

Sun 1	Mon 2	Tues 3	Wed 4	Thurs 5	Fri 6	Sat 7
1 st Sunday of Advent Kids At Mass RCIA Sacraments		Lourdes Young Adults Board Games Night			Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Seniors Day Program 1pm	