

### 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

**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!

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Dinner & Children's Party | Friday, Dec 13 & Saturday, Dec 14 |** Annual outreach tradition in the Parish - Friday evening Christmas dinner for singles/couples and Saturday afternoon Children's Party | Registration for the parties is closed, however volunteer opportunities are available | Contact [bill@lourdes.to](mailto:bill@lourdes.to)

**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.

**Seniors Day Program |** Ages 55+ | Friday, Jan 3 – 1pm-3:30pm | Lynch Hall | Lunch (\$2) & a Fun Activity | Questions? Contact [bill@lourdes.to](mailto:bill@lourdes.to)

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

### Parish Announcements

**Liturgical Ministries Day – Thank You** to all of those who attended last Saturday's Liturgical Day on "Ambassadors for Christ." We are so grateful for your on-going service to the Parish Community and desire to grow & learn as disciples of Christ. If you are interested in serving in a liturgical ministry (Lectors, Welcomers, Eucharistic Ministers, Music Ministry, Altar Servers, and Kids @ Mass) please contact [anna@lourdes.to](mailto:anna@lourdes.to)

**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** are in the pews. 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$3,000 cash  
3<sup>rd</sup> 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 9**

- 8:00am Fr. John Sullivan's Intention [Estella]
- 12:10pm Fr. John Sullivan's Intention [Amy]
- 5:15pm Susan Matos & Kathy Bagshaw's Intention [Amy]

**Tuesday, December 10**

- 8:00am SHEILA LIBFELD + [Marybel]
- 12:10 pm Restituto Mendoza's Birthday [Roselle Makinano]
- 5:15pm Eligio Corpuz Dumrique + [Staff & Student, Notre Dame HS]

**Wednesday, December 11**

- 8:00am MARGIE ROSARIO + [Family]
- 12:10pm THELMA, Henry, Pablo & ROBERTA Tadeo + [Tadeo Family]
- 5:15pm Jorge Lituma + [Family]

**Thursday, December 12**

- 8:00am Fr. Doug McCarthy, SJ + [Henriette Cudmore]
- 12:10pm GUADALUPE ANANIAS VELANO + [Benedicto Family]

- 5:15pm Selvarajah Poddappuhamy + [Family]

**Friday, December 13**

- 8:00am Robert Parnell + [Yvonne Parnell]
- 12:10pm Bridget Watts [Joyce George]
- 5:15pm Thanksgiving [Marilyn Cruz]

**Saturday, December 14**

- 8:00am OFELIA ANDRES's Birthday [Alma Rodas]
- 12:10pm Atty. Marcelino Agapinan + [Nina Agapinan]

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:**

*Angeles Pasquin, Milagros Caparas  
Francis Quinn, Celia de Jesus*

**Jesuit Network Updates**

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

Two new **Windows on Theology continuous learning courses** are now open to the public for registration at **Regis College**. Understanding Sacred Space: Exploring Western Religious Architecture (led by architect Robert Chiotti; Wednesdays from Jan 15 to Feb 19, 6pm-8pm) and Ecological Wisdom: Righting Our Relationships With Each Other and the Earth (led by Dr. Mark Hathaway of the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice; Wednesdays from Feb 26 – April 1, 11am to 1pm) | To learn more or to register, visit [regiscollege.ca/WOT](http://regiscollege.ca/WOT) call 416-922-5474 or email [regis.communications@utoronto.ca](mailto:regis.communications@utoronto.ca)

**Social Outreach**

Questions? Contact [bill@lourdes.to](mailto:bill@lourdes.to) or ext. 2556

**Caroling to the Jesuit Infirmary** | Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> | Join fellow Lourdes parishioners as we bring cheer and song to retired and infirm 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](mailto:bill@lourdes.to) or 416-924-6257 x2556

**Lourdes Food Bank Update** | Last week's New Volunteer Info Session and Orientation was a great success! There were 10 new volunteers who were introduced to the Food Bank and also got to visit it at 275 Bleecker St. Thank you to everyone who attended and to Lynne the Food Bank Manager for facilitating. We are especially grateful given a current volunteer shortage on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you would like more information, email [foodbank@lourdes.to](mailto:foodbank@lourdes.to) or contact 416-972-0630



**Beauty from our Faith**

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

“God saw the world falling to ruin because of fear and immediately acted to call it back with love. God invited it by grace, preserved it by love, and embraced it with compassion.” – *St. Peter Chrysologus*

**Lourdes at a glance: the week of December 8 - 14, 2019**

Sun 8	Mon 9	Tues 10	Wed 11	Thurs 12	Fri 13	Sat 14
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent -Parish Christmas Party -RCIA -Kids at Mass -Sacramental Prep	Fr John Sullivan, SJ's birthday	Advent Penance Service – 7pm			Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Party – Singles/Couples	Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Party – Children and Families