

## ST. PATRICK'S PARISH



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St. Mary's Mission: [stmarysno.archtoronto.org](http://stmarysno.archtoronto.org)

Pastor: Rev. Ignacio Pinedo



## ST. MARY'S MISSION CHURCH

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Mission Established 1855

Blessing of the Church  
October 2, 2010 A.D.

### Weekend Holy Mass Celebrations

#### St. Patrick

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am

11:00 am (Latin)

Weekday Holy Masses: see inside

#### St. Mary

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 11:30 am

### Confessions:

St. Patrick's Parish: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

St. Mary's Mission Church: Saturdays 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

First Fridays of the Month (during Eucharistic Adoration)

### Music Ministries

#### St. Patrick's / St. Mary's

David Gangl (guitar & cantor)  
289-716-8699

#### St. Mary's

Sara Papini (piano & cantor)  
647-335-5775

### Youth Ministry

Zephania Gangl - Youth Minister - Leading Teens closer to Christ!  
905-830-2644 or [zgangl@archtoronto.org](mailto:zgangl@archtoronto.org)

Youth grades 6 - 8 - **Edge Ministry** • Youth grades 9 -12 - **LifeTeen**

### Baptisms

Celebrated at both **St. Patrick Parish** and **St. Mary Mission**. Baptism registration forms are available at the parish office. Both parents are required to be registered parishioners for 2 months prior to Baptism and must attend **1 Baptism Catechism Class**. **Baptism certificates (original or copy) are required from parents.**

### Marriages

The engaged couple should contact their parish priest at least one year in advance of the intended date of the wedding. The date will not be confirmed until after the initial interview. One of the two must be a registered parishioner of St. Patrick's Parish or St. Mary's Mission for at least one year before the initial interview.

### Marriage Preparation Course

St. Francis Retreat Centre (Caledon) 519-941-1747

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### Marriage Counselling

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Catholic Family Services 416-222-0048

### Cemeteries - Please contact Parish Office

**St. Patrick's Cemetery** - 905-859-5522 - **St. Mary's Cemetery**

### Bequests

In your kindness, please remember St. Patrick & St. Mary R. C. Church

### Letters of Recommendation/Reference

For those being asked to act as Godparents for Baptism, Sponsors for Confirmation, etc., letters of recommendation are only issued to active parishioners who have been **registered for at least 2 years at St. Mary's Mission or St. Patrick's Parish.**

### Parish Organizations

**Finance Council:** Trustees: Allan McGuire, Vince Isgro, Luigi Carinci

**CWL:** St. Mary's — Michelina Di Carlo 416 999 7788

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**Gruppo di St. Antonio:** — Call Parish Office 905-859-5522

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** — Call Parish Office 905-859-5522

**St. Mary's Tree of Life:** Sale of Memorial Leaves

For information, please call the Parish Office 905-859-5522

**St. Mary's & St. Patrick's Hall Rental:** Please contact the Parish Office

### New Parishioners

If you wish to be a registered member of St. Patrick's Parish or St. Mary's Mission Church, please contact the parish office for a registration form. The form can be forwarded by email and returned via email to the parish office. Once registered, a box of Collection Envelopes will be assigned to you, which can be picked up at the parish office.

(Income tax receipts of \$100.00 minimum are issued for your financial contributions). **Pre-Authorized Giving Plan is also available.**

**(Please click here for link).** Call the office to ask us about it!

### First Friday (Sept. - June)

**St. Patrick's Parish:** 9:00 am (Holy Mass followed by Holy Hour)

**St. Mary's Mission Church:** 7:00 pm (Holy Mass followed by Holy Hour)

### Visiting the Ailing & Homebound

Parishioners who wish to be visited by our Pastor on the 1st Friday of the month for Sacraments, please contact the parish office.

### Mass Intentions

Mass intentions and memorial Masses are requested through the parish office. Mass cards are available upon request.

### Catholic Schools

St. Patrick's CES.-Schomberg 905-939-7753 (Ms. Contatto-Giulianelli)

St. Maximilian Kolbe C.H.S. - Aurora 905-727-5652 (Mr. Parente)

St. Mary's C.E.S., Nobleton 905-859-3336 (Ms. D'Andrea)

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### ST. PATRICK'S



#### Mass Intentions

- Tues. Dec. 12** 9:00 am †Rosa & Vincenzo D'Agostino  
req Connie Morrone
- Wed. Dec. 13** 9:00 am Parishioners (pro Populo)
- Thur. Dec. 14** 9:00 am Intentions of the Fanelli Family  
req M. & L. Fanelli
- Fri. Dec. 15** 9:00 am Intentions of Eanon Kneafsey  
req Ryan Family
- Sun. Dec. 17** 8:00 am **Third Sunday of Advent**  
†Salvatore & Maria Stella  
Giovinazzo req Antonio & Caterina Raso  
9:30 am Parishioners (**Livestream**)



**Congratulations and God's abundant blessings** upon  
**Cassandra Genova and Alexander Lima**  
who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at  
St. Mary's Mission Church.



"In accordance with Canon 1067 and the Complementary Norms of the CCCB we hereto publish the marriage bans of the following parties:

**Mr. Michael Oreste Pallotto**

From St. Patrick's Parish, Schomberg, ON  
Wishes to contract Holy Matrimony with

**Ms. Olivia Torrone**

From Sacred Heart Parish, King City, ON

On Dec. 30, 2023 at Sacred Heart Parish, King City, ON  
Whoever has the knowledge of an impediment or a hindrance to the proposed marriage of the above mentioned couple, kindly contact the parish office at 905 859 5522 or email [stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org](mailto:stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org).



### DECEMBER

Month of the Immaculate Conception

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Chosen before time to be the Mother of God Incarnate, Jesus Christ, God created Mary

perfect and full of grace, preserving her from the stain of Original Sin. Mary Immaculate is the most beautiful fruit of the work of redemption accomplished by her Son, thereby making her the perfect model of holiness for all Christians.

#### 2024 Sacrament of Confirmation

Preparation Class #6 is scheduled on:

- Tues., Dec. 12, 2023** at St. Mary's Mission Church &  
**Thurs. Dec. 14, 2023** at St. Patrick's Parish

#### Sanctuary Light Offering at St. Patrick's Parish



Thank you to the following for their offering towards the Sanctuary Light at St. Patrick's Parish and St. Mary's Mission Church *for the week of* Dec. 9 - 15 - Intentions of the Gangli Family

### ST. MARY'S



#### Mass Intentions

- Sat. Dec. 16** 5:00 pm **Third Sunday of Advent**  
†Giovanni & Gilda Laurendi  
req Laurendi Family
- Sun. Dec. 17** 11:30 am †Alfonso Di Carlo  
req Gemma Di Carlo



#### Calendar of Events

- Dec. 9 - Altar Server Training & Social** - St. Mary's Church  
3 PM Training, 5 PM Holy Mass, 6:30 PM Bowling
- Dec. 10 - St. Patrick's KofC & CWL-Christmas Breakfast**  
St. Patrick's Parish Hall - after 9:30 AM Holy Mass  
**- St. Mary's KofC & CWL - Christmas Family Day**  
St. Mary's Parish Hall - after 11:30 AM Holy Mass
- Dec. 12/14- Class #6 - Sacrament of Confirmation - 7 PM**  
St. Mary's Mission Church / St. Patrick's Parish
- Dec. 16 - Life Teen/Edge-Youth Mass & Christmas Party**  
5 PM Holy Mass & Social 6 PM - St. Mary's Hall
- Dec. 16/17- Blessing of Bambinelli - At All Masses**
- Dec. 24 - Regular Sunday Holy Mass celebrations** at  
St. Patrick's Parish and St. Mary's Mission Church

NATIVITY OF THE LORD AND MARY MOTHER OF GOD

## MASS TIMES

Sunday, Dec. 24

Regular Mass Schedule for 4th Sunday of Advent

Vigil Mass The Nativity of the Lord  
4:00 PM St. Mary's Mission Church

Monday, Dec. 25

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord  
10:00 AM St. Patrick's Parish  
11:30 AM St. Mary's Mission Church

Monday, Jan. 1, 2024

Solemnity of Mary  
The Holy Mother of God  
10:00 AM St. Patrick's Parish  
11:30 AM St. Mary's Mission Church



#### Roses for Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Mary's Mission Church

Thank you to the following for donating to the weekly devotion, for the week of Dec. 9 - 15

Blessings upon the **Maida Family** - Puchiele Family





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**Update of St. Mary's Archdiocesan Loan**

\$ 626,668.00 Mortgage/Debt (as of December 20, 2022)  
- \$ 50,000.00 Paid to Principal (June 13, 2023)  
\$ 576,668.00 Mortgage/Debt (June 13, 2023)  
\*\*\*Interest Paid To Date \$ 382,070.00\*\*\* (Loan at 4%)

**ST. MARY'S MISSION - LAND LOAN**

**Chancery Loan for Land Cost** \$ 394,167 (Dec. 31, 2020)  
Less payment-Family of Faith Funds - \$ 205  
**\$ 393,962** (Dec. 31, 2021)

**Peace**



**THE ADVENT SEASON:**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Stewardship Reflection**

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11

**2nd Reading:** 2 Peter 3.8-14

**Gospel:** Mark 1.1-8

**The Proclamation of John the Baptist - Prepare the way of the Lord**

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” This was the prophecy by Isaiah concerning John the Baptist who ends the line of prophets pointing to Jesus. John the Baptist played his role in preparing the people of Judea for the coming of Christ. As stewards, we can look to John as a model of how to best lead others to Christ. Firstly, we must remember that it is never our own merits that convert people but is instead always a pure gift from God. John the Baptist fully recognizes this when he says that he baptizes with water while the one coming after him, Jesus, will baptize with the Holy Spirit. We too should always remember that it is the Lord who does great things, and we are only His instruments. However, while we may not cause the actual conversion, we do play an important role in helping others encounter Christ. During the encounter, God does all the work, but we must still help facilitate this encounter. People can most readily encounter Christ through His church which is why we must play our part in making our parishes as hospitable and welcoming as possible. This Advent and Christmas season as we may begin to see new faces in the parish, let us welcome them with loving hearts and smiles. The angels and saints in heaven rejoice whenever someone comes back to church, shouldn't we do the same? Let us strive to be charitable stewards and say hello to any new parishioners we may encounter this season as a sign of our love and hospitality. There are many ways in which we can all contribute to our parish, how are we playing our part for Christ? If you wish to give of your time, talent and treasure to support our parish community as an **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Catechist, Altar Server, Lector, Usher, or Minister to the Homebound**, please contact the parish office. Training provided.



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John the Baptist is sent by God to make way for His Son. In our present time, God calls his priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy**, at **416-968-0997**, [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca), or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)



Please note, the next **St Mary's Mortgage Fund** collection is Jan. 6/7, 2024

**Offering Envelopes**



Please note, the 2024 Sunday Offertory Envelopes will be available in the foyer of both Churches this weekend. Kindly use the Initial Offering envelope to help offset the cost of the box of envelopes.

Some envelope numbers have been reassigned. Income tax receipts of \$100.00 minimum are issued for your financial contributions

Thank you for your continued financial support!

*“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” 2 Cor 9:7*



**Sharelife Parish Campaign 2023**

**Until December 31**, donations to ShareLife will be matched up to **\$500,000**. We are grateful for the generosity of the anonymous donor who is making this possible. Thank you for your continued support of the 2023 Parish ShareLife Campaign!

**Bills to be Paid!**

**St. Patrick's**-Diocesan Assess. due (up to June, 2023) \$16,405

**St. Mary's**- Mortgage Interest Payment (due Oct., 2023) **\$ 6,000**  
Diocesan Assess. (up to June, 2023) Balance due \$ 1,745

**Weekend of December 2/3, 2023 Collections**

<b>St. Patrick's Parish</b>	<b>Sunday Offering</b>	\$ 1,577.00
	<b>Other</b>	\$ 2,007.00
	<b>Expenses</b>	(\$ 5,516.00)
	<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	(\$ 1,932.00)

<b>St. Mary's Mission</b>	<b>Sunday Offering</b>	\$ 2,337.00
	<b>Other</b>	\$ 2,412.00
	<b>Expenses</b>	(\$ 1,099.00)
	<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	\$ 3,650.00

**St. Mary's Mortgage Fund Offering** \$ 1,169.00



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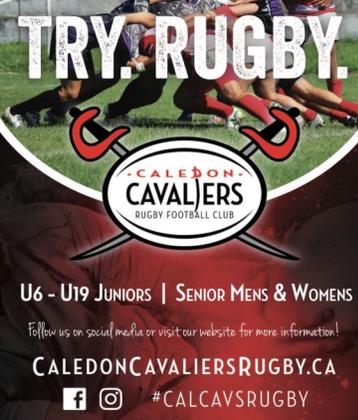
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**St. Mary's Christmas Family Day**

Hosted by St. Mary's KofC and CWL  
**Sunday, December 10, 2023**  
 Following the 11:30 am Holy Mass

**\$20/Family & \$10/person**

Tickets to be sold in the foyer of St. Mary's Church after all Holy Mass celebrations or contact the parish office at **905 859 5522**. All are welcome!



**Winter Coat Drive for the Homeless & Those in Need**

The St. Mary's KofC are hosting a winter coat drive **until Dec. 12** for the homeless and those in need.

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**ST. PATRICK'S FAMILY CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST**

**Sunday, December 10**  
 After the 9:30 AM Mass  
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**SAINT DAYS FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER** (Click on the Saint name to link to their story)

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|--|---|--|--|
| 1 <a href="#">Saint Charles de Foucauld</a>                        | 9 <a href="#">Saint Juan Diego</a>                | 17 <a href="#">Saint Hildegard of Bingen</a> | 24 <a href="#">Christmas at Greccio</a>                      |
| 2 <a href="#">Blessed Rafal Chylynski</a>                          | 10 <a href="#">Our Lady of Loreto</a>             | 18 <a href="#">Blessed Anthony Grassi</a>    | 25 <a href="#">Nativity of the Lord</a>                      |
| 3 <a href="#">Saint Francis Xavier</a>                             | 11 <a href="#">Saint Damasus I</a>                | 19 <a href="#">Blessed Urban V</a>           | 26 <a href="#">Saint Stephen</a>                             |
| 4 <a href="#">Saint John Damascene</a>                             | 12 <a href="#">Our Lady of Guadalupe</a>          | 20 <a href="#">Saint Dominic of Silos</a>    | 27 <a href="#">Saint John the Evangelist</a>                 |
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| 6 <a href="#">Saint Nicholas</a>                                   | 14 <a href="#">Saint John of the Cross</a>        | 22 <a href="#">Blessed Jacopone da Todi</a>  | 29 <a href="#">Saint Thomas Becket</a>                       |
| 7 <a href="#">Saint Ambrose</a>                                    | 15 <a href="#">Blessed Mary Frances Schervier</a> | 23 <a href="#">Saint John of Kanty</a>       | 30 <a href="#">Saint Egwin</a>                               |
| 8 <a href="#">Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</a> | 16 <a href="#">Blessed Honoratus Kozminski</a>    |  | 31 <a href="#">The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</a> |

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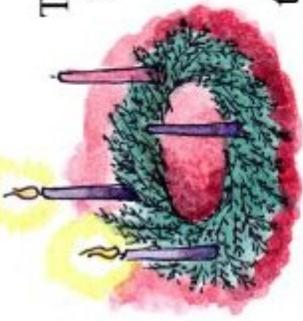
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# Prepare the Way of the Lord!



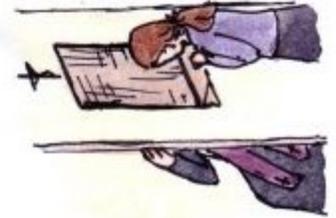
The readings in today's Mass remind us that we are preparing for the coming of Jesus. The first reading says, "A voice cries out in the desert, 'Prepare the way of the Lord!'" Saint Paul, in the second reading, tells us to conduct ourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for the day of the Lord.

In the Gospel reading we hear about Saint John the Baptist preparing the people for the coming of Christ.

What can we do to prepare for the coming of Jesus, which we remember especially at Christmas?

First, we should try to be holy like Saint Paul says. We should pray and do good. Then, we should make sure that we have repented of all our

sins, like Saint John the Baptist taught the people. Finally, we should tell people about Jesus! The first reading tells us, "Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God!"



# The Kids' Bulletin

Second Sunday of Advent  
December 10th, 2023

I am the voice of  
one crying out in  
the desert,  
"Prepare the  
way of the Lord,  
make straight  
his paths!"

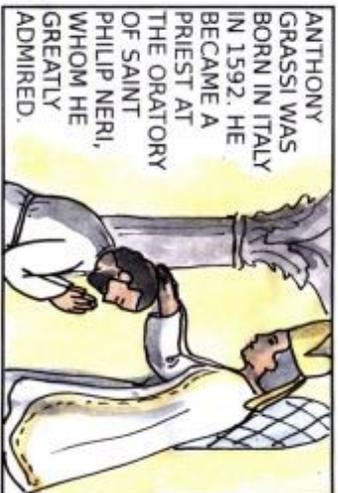


What did God send before Jesus to prepare the  
people for His coming?  
Connect the dots to find out!

Answers to Isaiah 40 Word Find: The Messiah is coming!  
Answer to front page: Saint John the Baptist.

# Blessed Anthony Grassi

## December 13



ANTHONY GRASSI WAS BORN IN ITALY IN 1592. HE BECAME A PRIEST AT THE ORATORY OF SAINT PHILIP NERI, WHOM HE GREATLY ADMIRERD.



HE WAS A HOLY PRIEST AND TOLD PEOPLE HOW IMPORTANT THE MASS IS.

The Mass is the greatest prayer.



HE HEARD CONFES-SIONS FOR MANY HOURS AND HELPED MANY PEOPLE RETURN TO GOD.

I absolve you of your sins.



Lord, help me to serve my brothers!

FR. ANTHONY WAS ELECTED SUPERIOR OF HIS COMMUNITY.



HE WENT ON SEVERAL PILGRIMAGES TO THE HOUSE OF OUR LADY OF LORETO.



ONCE HE WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING THERE, BUT ALTHOUGH HIS CLOTHES WERE BURNT, HE WAS FINE!



SAINT ANTHONY DIED IN 1671, SURROUNDED BY BROTHER PRIESTS AND THE ARCHBISHOP.

BLESSED ANTHONY HAD A GREAT DEVOTION TO OUR LADY AND OFTEN VISITED HER SHRINE AT LORETO. DOES YOUR CHURCH HAVE A STATUE OF OUR LADY THAT YOU CAN PAY A LITTLE VISIT TO? PRAY OFTEN TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER- SHE WILL ALWAYS HELP US GROW CLOSER TO HER SON JESUS.

## ISAIAH 40 WORD-FIND

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Find the words in CAPITALS in today's first reading in the puzzle.

Then use the letters that are left over to fill in the blanks at the end!

Get you up to a HIGH MOUNTAIN, O ZION, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with STRENGTH, O JERUSALEM, herald of good TIDINGS, lift it up, fear NOT; SAY to the cities of JUDAH, "BEHOLD your God!" Behold, the LORD GOD comes with MIGHT, and his arm RULES for him; behold, his REWARD is with him, and his RECOMPENSE BEFORE him. He will FEED his FLOCK like a SHEPHERD, he will GATHER the LAMBS in his ARMS, he will CARRY them in his BOSOM, and GENTLY LEAD those that are with YOUNG.