



## Parish Week / Sunday, 1 Jan. 2023

**Saturday, 31 December / St. Sylvester I, pope**

8.00 am Mass: † Jerome Koenig (CWL Council)

### NEW YEAR EVE, 2022

■ *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati (New Year Eve & Day)*

■ *Collection: New Year*

5.00 pm Mass: † All the Faithful Departed of 2022

11.00 pm Holy Hour

12.00 am Mass: Int. Clarete & Rajo's families

### NEW YEAR DAY, 2023

**Sunday, 1 Jan. / Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

9.00 am Mass: † Gabriel & Frances Andreas  
(Thanesh Thanarajah)

10.30 am Mass: † Ernesto, Lydia & Justino Rodas (family)

12.00 pm Mass: † Erlinda De Leon (family)

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

**Mon., 2 Jan. / Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen,  
bishops & doctors**

8.00 am Mass: † Carmine & Rositta De Cicco (Emma)

7.00 pm Mass: † Deceased members of  
Gomes & Mazumder families (David)

7.40 pm Infant Parent/Godparent meeting

**Tuesday, 3 Jan. / The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Tablada family)

**Wednesday, 4 Jan. / St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious**

8.00 am Mass: Int. Mario, Mark & Kimberlene Francis  
(family)

**Thursday, 5 Jan.**

8.00 am Mass: † Louis Francis (family)

**Friday, 6 Jan.**

8.00 am Mass: † Martino Cifaldi (Emma De Cicco)

6.00 pm Holy Hour

7.00 pm Mass: Sp. Int. Depali Ghosh (Dominic & Anita)

**Saturday, 7 Jan. / St. André Bessette, religious**

8.00 am Mass: † George, Federiko & Carolina Monton  
(Celestina Guhasz)

5.00 pm Mass: † Jerome Koenig (Sofie Salve)

### SUNDAY, 8 JAN. / EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

■ *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*

9.00 am Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)

10.30 am Mass: † Francis Anthony D'Souza (family)

12.00 pm Mass: † Aloysius Bastiampillai (family)

1.30 pm Infant Baptism

7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Focus on the Word

**Mary, Mother of God**

**Numbers 6.22-27; Galatians 4.4-7; Luke 2.16-21**

*O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human race the grace of eternal salvation, grant, we pray, that we may experience the intercession of her, through whom we were found worthy to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.*

## NEW YEAR EVE

*Holy Hour*

11.00 pm, 31 Dec. 2012

Bring in the New Year in a truly spiritual way: come to our *New Year Eve Holy Hour*: from 11.00 pm to Midnight, right before our New Year Midnight Mass. What a splendid way to thank God for the blessings of the past year, and to ask for His graces in the year to come.



## New Year Collections

**31 December / 1 January: New Year**

At our New Year's Eve and Day Masses, 31 December & 1 January, the collection taken by the Greeters during the Preparation of the Gifts will be for the *New Year Collection*.

**8 January: Epiphany**

At our Epiphany Feastday Masses, 8 January, the collection taken by the Greeters during the Preparation of the Gifts will be the *Sunday Offertory*.

## COMING UP

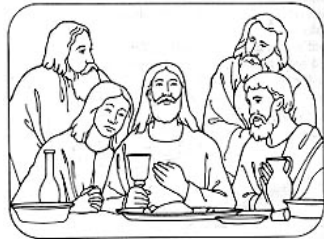
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11 Jan.	St. Maria Goretti School Mass (1:00 pm)
26 Jan.	► St. Albert School Mass (1:00 pm)
29 Jan.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <b>Maintenance</b>
5 Feb.	Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
7 Feb.	St. Maria Goretti School 1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation (9:30 pm)
12 Feb.	Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)
22 Feb.	<b>Ash Wednesday;</b> St. Maria Goretti School Ash Wednesday Liturgy (9:00 am); St. Albert School Ash Wednesday Liturgy (1:00 pm)
26 Feb.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <b>Maintenance</b>
1 Mar.	St. Maria Goretti School Reconciliation
6 Mar.	Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
8 Mar.	St. Albert School 1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation (1:00 pm)
12 Mar.	Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)
19 Mar.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: <b>Maintenance</b>
25 Mar.	Wedding: Omotayo – Ogunleye (1:00 pm)
26 Mar.	<b>ShareLife Collection</b>
31 Mar.	Wedding: Jefferson – Richein (2:00 pm)

**Website** [stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org](http://stmariagoretti.archtoronto.org)

For more information on Parish activities, check pages 3 and following in the website bulletin.

# Sacramental Preparation



## Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion

Students in our parish Catholic Schools receive RECONCILIATION and FIRST COMMUNION preparation in Grade 2. The parish will take care of the immediate instruction; families of enrolled students will be given a calendar at their Information Night early in the New Year. Watch the bulletin (& website) for the schedule.

## Confirmation Enrolment

Students in our Catholic Schools will receive Confirmation in Grade 7. The Information packages are still available at the Parish Office.



Congratulations to the Candidates who presented themselves at the ENROLMENT Masses, held October – December 2022. If any students missed, they may contact Fr. Edwin and prepare to attend the make-up Masses at 9 & 10.30 am, 8 Jan. 2023. Candidates are called to the Altar after Communion to submit their registrations and offer their *Enrolment Prayer*.

## RCIA, RCIC



*Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults & Children*

The RCIA meets Friday evenings at 7.30 pm; their next meeting is on 6 January 2023. The RCIC meets Saturday mornings; their next meeting is on 7 January.

During the Christmas break, both the RCIA and RCIC will attend the Sunday and Christmas Season Masses that comprise the key spiritual highlights of this important liturgical season. This is a time of genuine spiritual growth.

## Finance Council

Many thanks to the Parishioners who have helped the Parish by their service on our Finance Council. It is a requirement of the Archdiocese that such a Council work in collaboration with the Pastor to ensure that significant Parish projects are planned in a responsible and financially sustainable manner. A special word of thanks to the Readers of our 2022 Report (17/18 December):

*Saturday, 5.00: Narisa De Guzman; Sunday, 9.00: Ed Ridgeley; 10.30: Ed D'Souza; 12.00: Cheryl Dalliday; 7.00: Peter Carnie.*

Do you feel called to help? The *Repair & Renewal* subcommittee can use more members with engineering or accounting experience.

## Mass for the Faithful Departed of 2022

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# Christmas Flowers

Many thanks to all our generous Christmas Flower sponsors! Your thoughtfulness in allowing us to obtain the flowers which beautify our Church at this holy season is greatly appreciated.

The dedication list for living (IN HONOUR OF) and deceased (IN MEMORY OF) intentions, which was compiled on 24 December, is posted on the Vestibule bulletin board. Due to publication deadlines, the list will be printed in our website bulletin on 8 January.

## The Monthly Devotions of the Liturgical Year

If you read the PARISH WEEK column, and follow the FOCUS ON THE WORD and LITURGY NOTES, you can keep track of the feasts and devotional seasons of the Liturgical year, and be reminded to focus your prayer on a different aspect of our faith each month.

January	HOLY NAME OF JESUS
February	HOLY FAMILY
March	ST. JOSEPH
April	BLESSED SACRAMENT
May	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
June	SACRED HEART OF JESUS
July	PRECIOUS BLOOD
August	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
September	SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY
October	HOLY ROSARY
November	POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
December	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

## Stewardship

### 2022 Receipts, 2023 Envelopes



Soon, the Charitable *Tax Receipts* for all recorded donations during 2022 will be in the Vestibule, for pick up after Mass.

Many thanks to all our faithful parishioners for your generous support of our wonderful parish through your weekly stewardship! This is an act of honour to God, our Creator.

Parishioners who have not yet picked up their 2023 *Sunday Offertory Envelopes* in the Vestibule are invited to do so. They are for *registered* parishioners; if you are new to the parish and have not registered, *welcome to our neighbourhood!* Go to the Office window, introduce yourself, and complete a *registration form*.

### Parish Memorials

*A lasting legacy:* Remember **St. Maria Goretti Church** in your will. Such a gift would enable you to express your affection for your Parish in a tangible way. By leaving a bequest, you help to ensure the vitality of our ministries and the work we do for God's Kingdom in the name of Jesus.

Our *legal title* is: "**St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church, Scarborough, Ontario.**" Correspondence is addressed to the *Pastor*, 717 Kennedy Road, Scarborough, Ontario M1K 2C1.

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## The Faithful Departed of 2022

### Prayers for 2021

#### December

(26) Mel Lastman; The 68 victims of the October riots in Ecuador

### Prayers for 2022:

#### January

(2) Romeo Dulce, Marietta Karls, John Schwemlein, David Thompson, The 51 victims of the mining accident in Siberia; (9) Violeta Carino, Johnny Sudaria, The 46 victims of the bus disaster in Bulgaria; (16) Fr. Paul Cusack, Salvacion Doritan Grayda, Stella Lorenzo, The 4 victims of the school shooting in Oxford, Michigan; (23) William Barclay, Dominador Ochoco, The 41 victims of the November floods in India & Sri Lanka; (30) Leonor Canlas, Rico Matas Sr., Barbara McLenaghan, Carlos Paulino, Rector Tomas Jr., The 100 victims of the December tornados in Kentucky.

#### February

(6) Celia Alibangbang, Philomena Balachandran, Chiu Mei Chai, Raymunda Delizo Custodio, Elizabeth & Eugene Dias Wanigasekera, Fr. Joseph Lam Tran, Alford Walton Williams, The 5 children who died in the school activity day in Devonport, Tasmania; (13) Michael Edward Conner, the 40 victims of the Christmas Eve ferry disaster in Bangladesh; (20) The 375 victims of the Typhoon Rai in the Phillipines; (27) Anna Di Maio, Mercia Angelina Larcina, Fr. Vito Marziliano, Johnny Yong, The 1,300 civilians who have died since the military coup in Myanmar.

#### March

(6) Fr. Edwin D'Souza, The 19 victims (including 9 children) of the January apartment fire in New York City; (13) The victims of the Russian invasion of Ukraine; (20) Fr. Antoni Mendreal, Carmel Perera, Benjamin Velasco Sr., The 105 victims of the mudslide in Petropolis, Brazil; (27) Adelina D'Alessio, Renz Salarda, The 21 victims of the Spanish fishing boat tragedy off the coast of Newfoundland.

#### April

(3) Rui Borges, Ellen Cannon, Edita De Guzman, Margaret Donison, Jean Hennebury, Ananias Lim, Matteo Lombardi, Susan McConkey, Nilda Quirino, Anne Rode, Varghese Varambinakath, Grantham Visser, The 7,415 civilians that were killed in March & April 2003 during the US/UK invasion of Iraq; (10) Alma Yu, The 18 victims, including 7 children, of the January house fire in Philadelphia; (17) Jean Munro, The 200 victims of the attack by Fulani herdsmen in Zamfara State, Nigeria; (24) Michael Arends, Rufina Baltonado, Gabriel Callus, Ralph Crasto, Mary Luciani, Cherie Majchrzak, Maria Liza Guiao Matias, John Murphy, The 11 soldiers killed by ISIS in the military base at Diyala, Iraq.

#### May

(1) Patrick De Caires, Rafael Victorino, The 10 security guards in Dasht, Pakistan by Balochistan Liberation Front; (8) The 35 civilians killed by government troops in Myanmar on Christmas Eve; (15) Leonardo Palacio Benzon, Lucio Felias, The 1,462 Palestinian civilians who died in the Gaza Strip in July & August 2014, during Israel's *Operation Protective Edge* offensive; (22) Nathalie Joan Asiao, Dennis Hayes, Manuel Uy Calagos Sr., John Jeffery, The 6 victims of the house fire in Brampton in March; (29) Marcelle Schumacher, The 5 victims of the mass shooting in Duluth, Minnesota, after Easter.

#### June

(5) John Iwasin, Alejandra Magnaye, The 10 victims of the Ontario thunderstorm on 21 May; (12) Anthony Joseph Couture, Angelina DeCicco, Teodora Enfentana Lanante, Rene Garcia Monge, The 60 victims of the machete massacre in a displaced person camp in Congo in February; (19) The 6 victims of the mass shooting in Sacramento, California; (26) Nilda Bercasi, Orlando Santo, Cardinal Angelo Sodano, The 10 victims of the shooting in Buffalo, New York, in May.

#### July

(3) Antonia Nantes Navarro, The 21 victims of the mass shooting in Texas; (10) Mario Caruana, Pastor Europa, Remelita Felipe, Greta Louise McMaster, Carmelo Sciberras, Everett Smith, Maria Felismina Martiniano, David John Williams, The 80 victims of the terrorist attack on St. Francis Church in Owo, Nigeria on Pentecost Sunday; (17) Assunta Cafarelli, Kyle Lavis, Sonny Jean Ramon, The over 1,000 victims of the earthquake in Afghanistan; (24) Anna Brito, James Hing, Paul Liber, Kathleen McDowell,

**Agnes Michael, Maria Aransay Robles, Alfredo Seng; The 57 victims of mass shootings in the US in the month of June; (31) Deacon Ronald MacLellan, Ivy Bockus, Dorothy Anne McGuigan, Teresita Tibureio, The more than 1,000 victims of recent floods in India and Bangladesh.**

#### **August**

**(7) Elena Chan, Francis Jagoda, David Wilson, The 10 victims of the canyon wall collapse in Capitolio, Brazil; (14) Haven Cooper, The 21 teenagers who were poisoned in June at the end of school year party in East London, South Africa; (21) Gregory Timothy Cheng, Julia D'Silva, Arnulfo Fancuvilla, Isagani Fontillas, Simplicio Francisco, James Hing, Andrew Kenedy, Greta McMaster, Lawrence Luis Umali, The 7 victims of the mass shooting in Highland Park, Illinois on Independence Day; (28) Jose Aquino, Dwayne Lemont Foley, Elizabeth Adele Hack, Frederick Gerald Rowe, Nyima Dolma, the victim of the Kipling Station fire attack in June.**

#### **September**

**(4) Alfredo Segador, The 21 victims of the tavern shooting in Pretoria, South Africa in July; (11) The 40 victims of the devastating floods in Kentucky in August; (18) Queen Elizabeth II, Monica Tsoi A Sue, The 41 victims of the fire at Abu Safein Coptic Church in Giza, Egypt; (25) Rita D'Souza, Helio Lima, Ann Dribnak, The three teenagers killed in the car crash in Brampton on 28 August.**

#### **October**

**(2) Basta Viviana Dias, The 100 victims of the flooding in Columbia this summer; (9) Christian Según, The 10 victims of the mass stabbing in Saskatchewan in September; (16) Carl Albert Gomez, Christlie Louise Johnson, Maria Salvacion Lola, Ma Jay Potenciano, Christine Marie Reay; The six victims of the car crash in Barrie in August; (23) Jim Antolin, Marguerite Frigault, The more than 1,000 victims of the flooding in Pakistan in August; (30) Roniel Debuque, Alma Lacanlale Pineda, Elsie Quenit, Ralph Ritchie Santa Ana, The 120 victims of the floods in low-lying areas of Bangladesh in June.**

#### **November**

**(6) Sandra Babb, Corrado Gatto, Damian Pereira, The 41 victims of the mining disaster in Amasra, Turkey; (13) Barbara Aker, Restituto De Ocampo, The 40 victims of the karaoke bar fire in Saigon in September; (20) Natasha Sarah Abraham, Patricia McKinley, Theresia Zoller, Wilfredo C. Orpiana The 2 victims of the shooting rampage in Milton &**

**Mississauga in September; (27) Limuel Lumbab, Fr. William Fitzgerald, Fr. Ralph Paonessa, Monsignor Edmond Putrimas, The 110 victims of Hurricane Ian in October**

#### **December**

**(4) Juliana Dias, Danny Mendoza, Fr. Francis Bun Yee Loh, The 36 victims of the daycare massacre in Thailand, in October, (11) Restituto De Ocampo, Matilde Natividad, Ramon Saygan, The 7 victims of the shooting at Walmart in Chesapeake, Virginia in November; (18) Oliver Hans Kraus, The 31 victims of Hurricane Fiona in Puerto Rico and Canada in October, (25) Alex Slawomir Chamara, Johanna Flanagan, Derek DeAlwis, Francisco Ratnam, Fr. Vince Jazmines, The 132 victims of the suspension bridge collapse in Morbi, India.**

*Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among  
women and blessed is the  
fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, mother of  
God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*



REQUIEM AETERNAM

dona eis, Domine,  
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Requiescant in pace. Amen.

ETERNAL REST grant to them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.



O Lord, Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of Your departed servants, the remission of all their sins, that through pious supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired. You who live and reign with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.