



## Parish Week / Sunday, 8 Jan. 2023

**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

### Monday, 9 Jan. / BAPTISM OF THE LORD

- 8.00 am Mass: † Matt Jones (Danielle Murphy)  
 7.00 pm Mass: † Mike D'Mello (Annie Tauro)

### Tuesday, 10 Jan.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Frisca Yan Go (Emilio Go & family)

### Wednesday, 11 Jan.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Andres Bustamante (Lindy)  
 1.00 pm St. Maria Goretti School Mass

### Thursday, 12 Jan. / St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

- 8.00 am Mass: † Mina Kapadia (Mukesh)

### Friday, 13 Jan. / St. Hilary, bishop & doctor

■ *Bishop Vincent Nguyen: Episcopal Ordination Anniversary (2010)*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Martino Cifaldi (Irma Pisciola)

### Saturday, 14 Jan.

- 8.00 am Mass: Int. Thanksgiving (Adrian Cutchley)  
 5.00 pm Mass: † Felicidade Antao (Margaret & Santan Lobo)

### SUNDAY, 15 JAN. / 2-A

■ *Homilist: Fr. Edwin Galea*

- 9.00 am Mass: Int. Tina Abraham for Healing (family)  
 10.30 am Mass: † Lalita D'Souza (Joseph)  
 12.00 pm Mass: Int. Thanksgiving Sidney Lee (Jenny)  
 7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

## Focus on the Word

### Epiphany of the Lord

**Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.2-6; Matthew 2.1-12**

*O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of the star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Amen.*

## Pray for the Deceased

25 December 2022

**Robert Fleming, Joycelyn Jeremiah, Dolores Ramirez, Raymond Kundinger, Peter John Woodcock**

The **142** victims of the **Halloween surge** in **Seoul, Korea**

1 January 2023

**Alex Slawomir Chamara, Fr. Vince Jazmines**

The **132** victims of the October **suspension bridge collapse** in **Morbi, India**

8 January 2023

The **12** victims of the November **landslide** on the **Island of Ischia, Italy**

## Liturgy Notes

**8 JANUARY: ■ Feast of the Epiphany**

The Nativity Scene is complete today with the addition of the figures of the *Three Magi*. These remarkable individuals were not Jewish, but they were completely caught up with looking for Jesus. They pored over the Scriptures to find out where he would be born. To reach Bethlehem, they rode camels and traveled by the guidance and light of a star. After their epic journey, they wanted to give their gifts to the newborn King right away!



## COMING UP

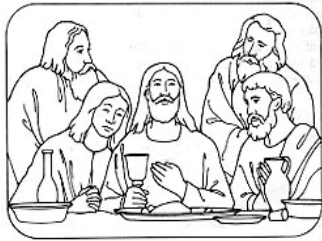
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- 26 Jan. ▶ St. Albert School Mass (1:00 pm)  
 29 Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance**  
 5 Feb. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)  
 7 Feb. St. Maria Goretti School 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation (9:30 pm)  
 12 Feb. Infant Baptism (1.30 pm);  
 - ▶ *Celebration of Marriage* Mass, with Bishop Vincent Nguyen, at St. Michael Cathedral (2.30 pm)  
 22 Feb. **Ash Wednesday;**  
 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: **Maintenance**  
 1 Mar. St. Maria Goretti School Reconciliation  
 6 Mar. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)  
 12 Mar. Infant Baptism (1.30 pm)  
 19 Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance**  
 25 Mar. Wedding: Omotayo – Ogunleye (1:00 pm)  
 26 Mar. **ShareLife Collection**

**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, 1st 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; the next meetings are on 6 & 13 January 2023. The RCIC meets Saturday mornings; the next meetings are on 7 & 14 January.

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

## Changes for our Parish Records

Please notify the Parish Office in person after Sunday morning Mass, or by phone at 416-261-0076, if you:

- Have had a change of address
- Have a new phone number, e-mail or cell phone

A simple phone call would keep our parish records updated and eliminate unnecessary postage and returned mail.

### A Special Gift WHITE ALTAR FLOWERS

We thank Tina Koenig and her entire family for their gift of the white flower arrangement at the Altar following the funeral of their beloved **Jerome Koenig** on 4 October 2022. He will be remembered in our prayers. May he rest in peace.

## ☺ Your sabbath smile

Attorney: *What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?*  
Witness: *Gucci sweats and Reeboks.*

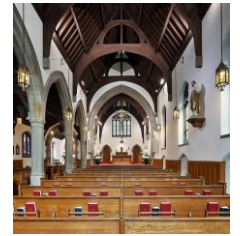
## Newman Centre at the U of T Faith & Reason Lecture Series

### Faith, Reason & Beauty

Thursday, 26 January, 7 - 9 pm

Guest Speaker: **Prof. Randy Boyagoda**

Newman Centre Catholic Mission  
89 St. George Street, Toronto



In this lecture, Professor Randy Boyagoda (*English Department*) argues that the great interest, in recent years, in *horror movies* is indicative of a suppressed but enduring desire for faith and beauty. Situating his discussion in the context of the Catholic intellectual tradition, Professor Boyagoda makes a case for how to best to cultivate an openness to the transcendent in mundane times. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$15 for students, in person; and \$20 for virtual attendance.

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EVENTBRITE REGISTRATION: <https://bit.ly/3UETiip>

## 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.

### Bible Verse

*It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect. He makes my feet like the feet of a deer; he enables me to stand on heights. He trains my hands for battle; my arms can bend a bow of bronze. You give me your shield of victory, and your right hand sustains me; you stoop down to make me great. You broaden the path beneath me, so that my ankles do not turn.*  
Psalm 18:32-36

# 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.

Below is the dedication list for living (IN HONOUR OF) and deceased (IN MEMORY OF) intentions, which was compiled on 21 December.

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## PATRONS

**Corine Maulion**



## Large Arrangement

### IN HONOUR OF

**The Balomit-Pilapil family**  
**Mr. & Mrs. James R. Berana**  
**Santino & Caterina Bruni, 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
**The Jimenez family**  
**Oliver John & family**  
**Berry John & family**  
**Marijes Q. Ordinario**  
**Thanksgiving**

### IN MEMORY OF

**All the souls of the family**  
**Deceased members of the Camacho family**  
**Deceased members of the Contreras family**  
**Aldith Cyrus**  
**Kavitha Deschamp**  
**Liu Tsen Hsiang & Liu Fang Chin Mei**  
**Olimpio & Gloria Macabali**  
**Teresa & Frank Di Michele**  
**Felix Nidea Sr.**  
**The Pereira family**  
**Clarite Reyes family**  
**Flordelis & Ruben Rivera**  
**Go Bee & Go Wong Shi**  
**Arjune & Nandrani Singh**  
**Felice & Adele Vignali**  
**Eileen Wright**

# Small Arrangement

## IN HONOUR OF

**The Amizola Family  
The Cereso Velo family  
Thanksgiving**

## IN MEMORY OF

**Bartolome Alinsug**

**All Deceased**

**All Souls**

**Aloysius Bastiampillai**

**Angie Caligner**

**Nievtha Casildus**

**Helen Castro**

**Deceased members of Cosep family**

**Celine Donald**

**Deceased members of the Durano family**

**Deceased members of the Gabales family**

**Deceased members of the Juntilla family**

**Deceased members of the Lam family**

**Deceased members of Laurel family**

**Peter Joseph Liu**

**Deceased members of the Magdadaro family**

**Linda & Teofisto Magdadaro Jr.**

**Silveria & Eufrazio Mundo**

**Deceased members of the Mulla family**

**Judith, Graciano & Jizi Primero**

**P. Srikanthamohan**

**Thangarani & Srikanthamohan**

**Hilarion B. Trinidad**

**Felisa & Juan Trinidad**





**Lancy and Lorna Gomes** mark their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with their family at the 10.30 am Mass, Sunday, 18 December.



Canada celebrates after its 3-2 overtime victory over the Czech Republic in the gold-medal game at the world junior hockey championship on 5 January in Halifax.

# Toronto's New Police Chief

Chief **Myron Demkiw**, a Member of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces (M.O.M.), is a 30-year veteran of the Toronto Police Service, and is currently the Acting Deputy Chief of Specialized Operations Command.

In this role, he oversees 1,200 police officers, 900 civilian Members, and manages a budget of \$240,000,000.00. The Command is comprised of the Service's various investigative squads, a variety of specialized uniform units and Court Services.

Prior to this assignment, as a Staff Superintendent, he was responsible for two different pillars of the organization. Most recently, he was in charge of Corporate Risk Management, which includes Professional Standards, Professional Standards Support and the Toronto Police College; prior to this he oversaw Detective Services, which includes the Service's high profile investigative units, such as the Homicide Squad, Integrated Guns and Gangs Task Force, and the Hold-Up Squad.

Throughout his career, Deputy Chief Demkiw has served as the Unit Commander of Intelligence Services and the Officer in Charge of Strategy Management Corporate Projects, the Second in Command of 32 Division, Duty Senior Officer, and has fulfilled a number of supervisory roles in various units throughout the organization. He has also participated in several Service-wide initiatives.

A member of the Police and Community Engagement Review (PACER) Team since it began in 2012, he provided leadership to implement recommendations, championing the Service's Fair & Impartial Policing© program, the Service's Intercultural Development Program and active participation in the PACER Advisory Committee. In addition, Chief Designate Demkiw helped to launch the Service's response to the Independent Civilian Review into Missing Persons Investigations, led by the Honourable Gloria Epstein, Q.C., over a three-year period, setting the course for the Service's role, cooperation and commitment to this ground-breaking work. The 151 recommendations contained in Missing and Missed: Report of the Independent Civilian Review into Missing Person Investigations are aimed at improving the police handling of missing person investigations.

This is a transformative and significant report, and Chief Designate Demkiw is well-suited to continue the valuable work being undertaken in response to the Review, and as Chief, to facilitate this monumental task, given his progressive, and community-focused approach to community safety.

In 2019, Chief Demkiw joined the Black Internal Support Network (BISN) as a Senior Advisor. He assists the group's Executive Committee by providing guidance and support on issues that are raised by the BISN relating to anti-Black racism, and the lived experiences of Black Service Members. He also supports many of the BISN's initiatives.



Chief Demkiw is also the Service's champion on SafeTO, a bold and unique approach to advancing community safety by working collaboratively across sectors, communities and governments. He has made significant contributions in the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan that is premised on the goals of social development, prevention, risk intervention and incident response, reimagining and unifying our collective approach to community safety.

In addition, Chief Demkiw is a well-respected policing leader in Canada for his ongoing commitment to counter-terrorism and national security. He is engaged both nationally and internationally on these issues, which are of critical importance when overseeing a police service in a city of our size and international stature, with its significant reputation, and notable role in the country's commerce and tourism industries.

He participated in the International Leadership in Counter Terrorism (LinCT) Program, and is the Co-Chair of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP)'s Counter-Terrorism and National Security Committee. In addition, he is a member of the CACP National Working Group Supporting Victims of Terrorism and Mass Violence, and was a member of the Countering Violent Extremism Working Group. As Chair Hart noted, "the Board feels confident with Chief Demkiw leading the organization that the Service can prevent and address these types of threats."

A graduate of the University of Toronto, Chief Demkiw attended the Faculty of Law and completed the Global Professional Master of Laws program, and also earned his Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in both Criminology and Political Science. He is a graduate of the Rotman School of Management's Police Leadership Program.

On a personal note, Chief Demkiw is a proud member of Toronto's Ukrainian community, and most recently, worked in partnership with Toronto Fire Services and Toronto Paramedic Services to coordinate the collection of donations for humanitarian aid in support of the Ukraine.



Arashiyama Bamboo Grove, Kyoto, Japan



Robin eggs.



Glass-winged butterfly.



The Quiraing of the Isle of Skye, Scotland.



Robin foraging for berries in Winter.



Positano, Amalfi coast, Italy.