

Parish Week ❖ Sunday, 6 Nov. 2022

Saturday, 5 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Consuelo Gotera (family)
9.00 am Altar Servers training
5.00 pm Mass: † Gabriel & Francis Andreas
(Vincent Ambrose)

SUNDAY, 6 NOV. / 32-C

■ *Homilist: Fr. Elias Chachati*

- 9.00 am Mass: † Vincenzo Grande (family)
10.30 am Mass: † All Souls in Purgatory (D'Souza family)
12.00 pm Mass: † Therese & Bernaldo Endaya (Raphael)
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Monday, 7 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Angela Bianchini (Irma Pisciola)
7.00 pm Mass: Int. Malini Wijesinghe & Mary Weerasinghe
(friends)
7.40 pm Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent meeting

Tuesday, 8 Nov.

- 8.00 am Mass: † Malcolm & Marcelena Owen
(Christine Martin)
7.00 pm Mass: † Danilo Salcedo & Cecilio Saguisag
(Turiano family)

Wednesday, 9 Nov. / Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 8.00 am Mass: † Angela Bianchini (Emma DeCicco)
9.00 am St. Maria Goretti School Mass
5.00 pm Mass: † Lydia Marquez (family)

Thursday, 10 Nov. / St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor

- 8.00 am Mass: † Angela Bianchini (Emma DeCicco)
7.00 pm Mass: † Matteo Lombardi (CWL)

Friday, 11 Nov. / St. Martin of Tours, bishop

■ *Remembrance Day*

- 8.00 am Mass: † Luigi DeCicco (Emma)
7.00 pm Mass: † Maria Coutinho (Therese Johnson)
- KOC Remembrance Ceremony

Saturday, 12 Nov. / St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr

- 8.00 am Mass: † Luigi & Giovanni De Cicco (Irma Pisciola)
5.00 pm Mass: † Dionisio Sr. Alcantara (Janet Aguirre)

SUNDAY, 13 NOV. / 33-C

■ *Homilist: Deacon Ramon*

■ *2nd Collection: Shepherds' Trust*

- 9.00 am Mass: † John & Olga Pereira (family)
10.30 am Mass: † Frank & Joan DeVerno (family)
12.00 pm Mass: Int. Shoba Ryan (friends)
1.30 pm Infant Baptism
7.00 pm Mass: Pro Populo

Fall Time Change 6 November

“SPRING AHEAD, FALL BACK.” Parishioners are reminded that this weekend is the *Fall Time Change*. Eastern Standard Time resumes (and Daylight Savings Time ends) at 2.00 am on Sunday, 6 November. Make sure to update your clocks and watches.



Focus on the Word

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

2 Maccabees 7.1-14; 2 Thessalonians 2.16-3.5; Luke 20.27-38

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Amen.

Pray for the Deceased

Sandra Babb, Corrado Gatto, Damian Pereira

The 41 victims of the mining disaster in Amasra, Turkey



2nd Collection

13 November, *Shepherds' Trust*

The 2nd collection on 13 November will be for the support of our retired priests through the *Shepherds' Trust*.

[r.: **Monsignor John Pilkuskas**]

Each year, grateful parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto contribute to the *Shepherds' Trust*.

Envelopes for this collection next week will be distributed today, 6 November; a special presentation on behalf of the *Shepherds' Trust* will be made at the Announcements at all Masses.



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- 20 Nov. Knights of Columbus (1:30 pm)
24 Nov. ► St. Albert School Mass (9:30 am)
27 Nov. 1st Sunday of Advent
- 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**;
- St. Vincent de Paul *Bundle Up* Sunday;
- CWL (11:30 am)
29 Nov. **Fr. Edwin**: 42nd Ordination Anniversary (1980-2022)
5 Dec. Infant Baptism Parent/Godparent Meeting (7:40 pm)
6 Dec. ► St. Albert School Mass (1:00 pm)
7 Dec. Advent Day of Confessions;
- St. Maria Goretti School Mass (9:00 am)
8 Dec. Feast of the **Immaculate Conception of Mary**
10 Dec. Catholic Women's League Advent Reflection (2-4 pm)
11 Dec. Infant Baptism (1:30 pm)
14 Dec. St. Maria Goretti School Family Advent Mass (7:00 pm)
15 Dec. St. Albert School Family Advent Mass (7:00 pm)
17 Dec. **Pope Francis**: Birthday (1936)
18 Dec. **4th Sunday in Advent**;
- 2nd Collection: **Maintenance**;
- CWL Advent Shrine Day Trip to Niagara
22 Dec. **Fr. Armand Joseph Desaulniers**: death anniversary (1988)
23 Dec. ► **The Tenors** (Roy Thompson Hall)
24 Dec. **Christmas Eve** Masses begin at 7.00 pm
25 Dec. Christmas: Feast of the **Nativity of Our Lord**
- 2nd Collection: *Christmas*

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

Ministry Sunday 2022

Many thanks to all who participated in our Annual *Ministry Sunday* on 30 October. A special *Thank You* to all who offered their names to serve in various parish ministries. Soon, our parish Volunteer Screening Committee will finish reviewing the list of candidates, to make sure they are registered in our parish, etc. Then, the Ministry Facilitators will be contacting you to arrange the follow-up so you can begin the orientation process to share your talents in our parish family of faith and service.

Sacramental Preparation

Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion



Students in our Catholic Schools will receive preparation for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion in Grade 2. Soon the families will begin receiving Information packages to register the students in this process. We look forward to resuming the in-person family instruction meetings that will be held early in the New Year.

November Masses

During the month of November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, in addition to our regular weekday 8.00 am morning Mass, there will be an evening Mass: Monday to Friday at 7.00 pm.

Book of Remembrance

During November, the month of the *Holy Souls*, we will remember all the faithful departed of our families at our daily Masses. Parishioners may add the names of deceased family members in our November *Book of Remembrance*, in front of the pulpit.

A Special Gift ALTAR FLOWERS

We thank the family of **Conrado Aprile-Vinci** for your gift of the beautiful flower arrangements at the Altar following his funeral on 15 August. May he rest in peace.

RCIA Rite of Catechumenate

5.00 pm Mass, Saturday, 29 October, 2022

Please pray for the Candidates present:

RCIA

Adekoya, Omoshola
Habtom, Yerusalem
Jardine, Mark
Kasaye, Tariku
Okunuga, Christianah
Semere, Bemnet
Shabo, Sandy
Sobodu, Adesola
Vane, Alvin

RCIC

Abraha, Hana
Adekoya, Joshua
Adekoya, Mofaramoluwa
Adekoya, Rereloluwasimi
Alzaga, Mya
Clarkem, Arayah
Eskins, Anna-Marie
Gebrekidan, Rebecca
Gomes, Florence Cecilia
Hagos, Dina
Issak, Barkot
Mamo, Catherine
Mamo, Gabriella
Tariku, Kidus
Yehdeigo, Ivan



ADVENT PREPARATIONS

Advent Wreath Lighters

Would you like to be an Advent Wreath candle lighter? This is a wonderful way to involve your family in the spirit of this wonderful season, and assist your fellow parishioners in our common worship and praise of the Father. See the sign-up list on the Vestibule bulletin board.



Wedding Congratulations



Thomas James Byron and Janet Villaruz

29 October 2022

CWL Advent Shrine Day Trip, 18 December

The CWL is holding a day trip to Niagara and nearby Shrines on 18 December. Check the details on page 3 in the website bulletin.

Altar Servers

Training resumes 5 November

Would you like to be an Altar Server? The Fall Training Series for our new Altar Server Candidates will resume at 9.00 am on Saturday, 5 November. Applicants must be members of registered parish families, and be in Grade 2 or over.



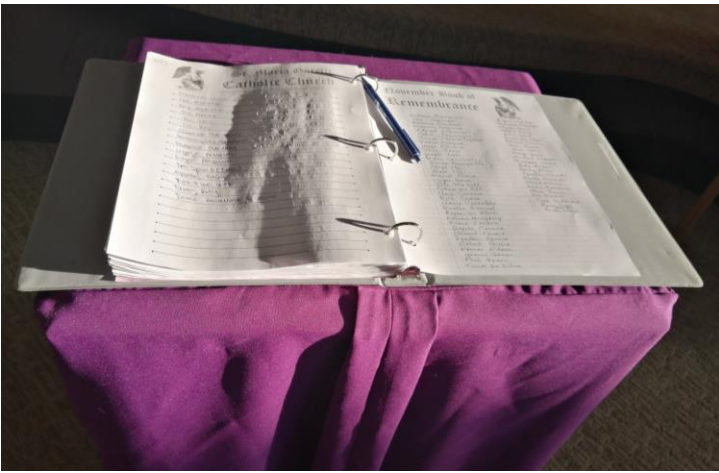
New Lectionary 1st Sunday in Advent, 27 Nov.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITY: We need to obtain a new Lectionary for our Sunday Masses, and begin using it on the 1st Sunday in Advent, 27 November. Would you like to sponsor this book, perhaps in memory of a beloved family member? Call the office of the Pastor, Fr. Edwin, for details: 416-261-0076, x.3.



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November Book of Remembrance

Kindly remember in your prayers the names of our departed relatives and friends inscribed in our November Book of Remembrance.



Daily Rosary At Mass and at Home

The Rosary is the most effective prayer to sustain our daily spirituality, and to keep before our eyes the central events and mysteries of our faith.

Books in Danger in Manila



This article was originally published in *The Manila Times*, 17 May 2022. It was reprinted in the *Catholic Worker*, August 2022.

The Manila Critics Circle, which has chosen winners for the annual National Book Awards since 1991, denounced the red-tagging of Adarna Books, which has published children’s books for more than forty years:

“The Manila Critics condemns the red-tagging of respected publisher Adarna House by the National Intelligence Coordination Agency (NICA) and the National Task Force to End the Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC). Not only is Adarna House an award-winning publisher known for producing only quality material, they are also a publisher dedicated to the truth. It is a disservice to our young readers to assume that they should be excused from learning about significant events in Philippine history like the imposition of martial law.

“The truth does not ‘sow hatred and lies in the tender hearts of our children,’ as Lorraine Badoy, spokesperson for NTF-ELCAC put it. The Truth does not ‘subtly radicalize,’ as Alex Paul Monteagudo, Executive Director of NICA said. Monteagudo claimed that the portrayal of martial law in children’s books sows dissent and hatred in their minds. But martial law is part of our history, as are its victims. Like all true things, this is something readers should learn from the books and make up their own minds.

“Adarna House is an innovative, private, educational publisher that should be encouraged to continue publishing... and commended for its dedication to telling the story of the Philippines to young children.”

The red-tagging of Adarna Books follows the Popular Bookstore and Solidaridad Bookshop vandalism a month ago. Curiously, Adarna Books is owned by National Artist Virgilio Almario and his family, and Solidaridad Bookstore was founded by the late National Artist Frankie Sionil Jose.

Each of the bookstores had their fronts defaced with graffiti in red paint, accusing them of being a front for the NPA (New People’s Army). The red-tagging of Adarna Books as well as Popular and Solidaridad bookstores goes against the right to freedom of speech and expression enshrined in our Constitution. Publishers and booksellers here don’t make any money, yet they persist in doing business because they are cultural industries. Their books help people think for themselves. This graffiti vandalism and red-tagging also threatens store owners, employees and customers, and must be stopped. Plus, we should all be working to improve our children’s dismal reading rates instead of harassing publishers and bookstores.



RCIC Candidates in the Vestibule after their Saturday morning meeting, 29 Oct.



RCIA & RCIC Catechumenate Rite at the 5.00 pm Mass, 29 October.



RCIC candidates on 22 October.



Vanessa Shaw brings her new son Damar (born 15 October) to the RCIA meeting, 28 October, for his *Blessing in Preparation for Baptism*.



Family of **Lea Abi Najem** gather after a Mass in her memory on 22 October.



Family and friends of **Anastasia Williams** at a Memorial Mass on 22 October for her dear husband **Alford**, who was born 20 October 1941, and died 20 January 2022.



Three of Alford's family hold his picture.



27 October: St. Maria Goretti School volunteers assist Ginalyn Blanco with the *Blessing in Preparation for Baptism* for her son Kirk Joseph, born 5 July.



Catherine Dobb (blue & white top) celebrates her 80th birthday, 5 Oct.



Philomena Singhroy (*centre*) celebrates her 63rd birthday with friends Olive Adams (*l*) and Anastasia Williams (*r*), following the 5 pm Mass, 29 October.



Eddie D'Souza (*l*) helps Marty the Driver (*r*) to load up the St. Vincent de Paul truck for a special donations pickup, 26 October.