

St. Gertrude's Parish

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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 26th

8:00am Our Parish Community

Wednesday, December 28th

8:00am + Maria Lucia DeSousa and
Deceased family members

Thursday, December 29th

8:00am + Severino Pulla
+ Frank Miettinen

Friday, December 30th

12:10pm Our Parish Community

Monday, January 2nd

8:00am Special intentions (anonymous)

Wednesday, January 4th

8:00am Special intentions (anonymous)

Thursday, January 5th

8:00am + Roger & Maryann Serge

Friday, January 6th

12:10pm + Jose Manuel Nunes and
Deceased Ramos family members



Dear Parishioners,

The celebration of Christs Birth – his first coming amongst us over 2,000 years ago is before us. We give thanks to our Heavenly Father for such a stupendous gift – that of His only begotten Son, born in poverty, in a stable and wrapped in swaddling clothes so that we would not be afraid to approach the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Let’s turn to Him again imploring the God man, who came to us veiling His glory even further by entering this world as a tiny infant. Let’s implore, our gentle Savior, for the grace to place and keep Him at the very center of our lives so that we may Rejoice with Him forever in the Heavenly Kingdom.

Wishing you all a very Blessed and Happy Christmas and healthy and peaceful New Year in the grace of His friendship.

Your Pastor,
Fr. Michael



December 31st

New Year’s Eve

5:00pm

11:00pm Holy Hour

12:00am Midnight Mass

Pray out the old year – pray in the new year.



Solemnity of Mary

January 1st,

New Year’s Day

10:00am & 12noon



2023 PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES

Envelopes will be available beginning January 1st. Take a box, any box. It is very important to inform the office of your new envelope number. Please do so by completing the 'grey' envelope at the front of the box. These donations help us cover the cost of the envelopes while ensuring you are registered with the parish.

**DO NOT USE NEW ENVELOPES
UNTIL 2023**

2022 Donations

Please ensure donations to be credited to your 2022 Income Tax Receipt are received by the parish no later than December 25th. Any donations received after that date will be credited to the following year.



LECTIO: Salvation, New Life in Christ

Join us for a captivating Bible Study on Salvation

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Join us on Thursdays at 7:00PM, January 19th, 2023, to March 23, 2023 at the St. Gertrude's Parish Hall – **OR** – over ZOOM. To register and purchase your Study materials (cost \$45) on Eventbrite, visit the St. Gertrude's website and follow the links on the home page. If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque, please pick up a registration form at the entrances of the Church. For more information, contact Beth Cook at bethcook905@outlook.com, or 905-925-9871.

WINTER HAS ARRIVED

Please be generous to our maintenance collection as we strive to keep the parking lot and sidewalks clear for everyone's safety.



Marriage Sunday 2023

A special archdiocesan Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 2:30 p.m. with His Excellency, Bishop Vincent Nguyen. All married couples, in particular those who will celebrate their 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary anytime throughout 2023 are welcome to attend the Mass to honor their fidelity and faithfulness. All those not able to attend in person are encouraged to join the celebration via livestream.

WINDOW AND LEAF DEDICATIONS

We currently still have a few windows available for purchase. We are offering these at 10% off during the months of January, February and March. Large \$4,500.00, Small \$1,500.00

Leaves will cost \$450.00

We are also offering the leaves on our Tree of Life for the same 10% off during this period.

This is a great time to order and would make a wonderful gift for someone this time of year. Please email the parish office for more information. All proceeds will now be directed to payment of the new furnaces and future large expenses of the church.

PARISH CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed at noon on Thursday, December 22nd until Wednesday, January 4th. Please send an email if you require assistance as they will be checked during this time. If you have an emergency please follow the steps on the parish telephone message line.

THE NEXT BULLETIN WILL BE THE
WEEKEND OF JANUARY 8/9th



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