# ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH HONOURING OUR TWO PATRON SAINTS - ST. BRIGID OF KILDARE & ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

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Feast of the Holy Family

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The Gospel from Luke today recounts how "every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover." Mary and Joseph took their faith very seriously and sought to pass on their beliefs to their child. We can take their example to heart by striving to make our faith the highest priority in our families as well by teaching the importance of the Mass and family prayer.

# HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH



# FROM THE PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Parish office will close at Noon on Friday, December 31st. We will also be closed on Monday January 3rd, 2022, in observance of New Year's Day falling on the weekend.

# WEEKLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Adoration of Blessed Sacrament will continue throughout the Christmas season, every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm with the liturgy of the hours, followed by Novena Mass, and every Thursday from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon followed by benediction and daily Mass. All are welcome to attend.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

We are now booking Mass Intentions for 2022. Please call or visit the Parish office to book your intentions for your beloved departed or for Special Blessings.



# A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Father, I thank You that throughout the season of life, there are endings and new beginnings. I bless Your Word that reminds us that there is a time for every purpose under heaven. So, I thank You for the things that have ended in my life, and I bless you for new beginnings. In Jesus' Name I pray, Amen. « Ecclesiastes 3:1 »

On behalf of Father Carlos, we wish all our Parishioners and members of our community a very happy and healthy new year!

# **NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st | NEW YEAR'S EVE 5:00 pm - LIVESTREAM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1st, 2022 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD 8:30 am | 9:45 am 11:00 am | LIVESTREAM

> **SUNDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 2022** 8:30 am | 9:45 am | 11:00 am

# MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God gives us a chance to reflect on the important role of Mary in bringing God to earth, but it also gives us a chance to reflect on the role we each have in bringing Jesus, the Son of God, to the whole world. At the start of this New Year, perhaps we can resolve to make an effort to share the fully divine and fully human Jesus with the world around us. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

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## WELCOME BISHOP EMERITUS JEAN LOUIS PLOUFFE

Please join us in welcoming His Excellency, Bishop Jean Louis Plouffe, who will be celebrating all Masses with us from January 7th to January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## 2022 DONATION ENVELOPES

The **2022 donation envelopes** are ready for pick-up. They are located at the front entrance of the Church and are in alphabetical order. Please contact the Parish office if you have moved or changed your contact information.

## ANNUAL PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

#### "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt.2:2)

January 18 to 25, 2022, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's theme, "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt.2:2) was selected by the Middle East Council of Churches. Cardinal Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders and faithful will gather to pray for the restoration of the full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church at 920 Progress Avenue, Scarborough, on Sunday, January 23, 2022, at 4 p.m. The service will also be livestreamed.

# RIFLESSIONE

Il Vangelo di Luca oggi racconta come «ogni anno i genitori di Gesù si recavano a Gerusalemme per la festa della Pasqua». Maria e Giuseppe hanno preso molto sul serio la loro fede e hanno cercato di trasmettere le loro convinzioni al loro bambino. Possiamo prendere a cuore il loro esempio sforzandoci di rendere la nostra fede la massima priorità nelle nostre famiglie e insegnando l'importanza della Messa e della preghiera familiare.

# **UNA PREGHIERA PER IL NUOVO ANNO**

Caro Padre, Ti ringrazio che in tutta la stagione della vita ci sono fini e nuovi inizi. Benedico la tua Parola che ci ricorda che c'è un tempo per ogni scopo sotto il cielo. Quindi, ti ringrazio per le cose che sono finite nella mia vita e ti benedico per i nuovi inizi. Nel Nome di Gesù prego, Amen. « Ecclesiaste 3:1 »

A nome di Padre Carlos, auguriamo a tutti i nostri parrocchiani e membri della nostra comunità un felice e sano

## DALL'UFFICIO PARROCCHIALE

anno nuovo!

L'ufficio parrocchiale chiuderà alle ore 12 di venerdì 31 dicembre. Saremo chiusi anche lunedì 3 gennaio 2022, in osservanza del capodanno che cade nel fine settimana.

## **INTENZIONI DELLE MESSE**

Abbiamo cominciato la prenotazione per le intenzioni delle esse per l'anno 2022. Potete chiamare o visitare l'ufficio parrocchiale per prenotare le vostre intenzioni per i vostri cari defunti e per delle intenzioni speciali.

## **BUSTE DONAZIONI 2022**

Le buste per le donazioni 2022 sono pronte per il ritiro. Si trovano all'ingresso anteriore della Chiesa e sono in ordine alfabetico. Si prega di contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale se vi siete spostati o avete cambiato le vostre informazioni di contatto.

### MASS INTENTIONS/INTENZIONI DELLE MESSE

#### Saturday, Dec 25th « The Nativity of the Lord »

8:30 am	Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass for All Parishioners
9:45 am	†Giovanni & Maria Naccarato, req by Joe Naccarato †Giuseppe DiStefano, req. by Giovanna DiStefano †Carmine & Marco Maglietta, req. by Lucia Maglietta & Family †Antonio Maggio, req by la moglie Corradina e Figli †Giovanni Luciano, req. by la moglie Giovanna e Figli †Emanuele e tutti Defunti della famiglia Infanti e la famiglia Pirotta
11:00 am	Special Birthday Blessings for Carol Ariza req. by the Family †Nick Lamacchia, req. by the Family †Paolo & Maria Calo, req. by the Family

#### Sunday, Dec 26th « The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph »

8:30 am	Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass for All Parishioners
9:45 am	Per tutti Defunti della famiglia De Fusco, req. by Gugliermo De Fusco †Antonio Romagnuolo & Rocco & Carmela Lamanna, req. by Maria Romanguolo
11:00 am	†Pat Conte, req. by the Morlando Family †Pino Barion, req. by the Parish

#### Monday, Dec 27th « St. John »

9:00 am Special 36th Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Carol & Craig Ariza, req. by the Family

#### Tuesday, Dec 28th « The Holy Innocents »

12:00 pm †Maria Esteves, req. by A. Tavares †John Zimmer, req. by Mother Maria, wife Marion and Son Johnaton †Rosalba & Giuseppe Iannitelli, req. by Joe Naccarato

#### Wednesday, Dec 29th

12:00 pm	†Irene Charrie & Doris Ramsaran, req. by Sylvia Charrie McDonald †Alfredo Busatil, req. by the Parish	
6:00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Meditation, Vespers - Liturgy of the Hours	
7:00 pm	Novena Mass: Our Lady of Perpetual Help	
Thursday, Dec 30th		
12:00 pm	†Giuseppe & Mariau Naccarato, req. by Joe Naccarato	
7:00 pm	Memorial Mass: †Salvador Nasello req. by Fred Nasello	
<u>Friday, Dec 31st</u>		
5:00 pm	†Christina Davis, req. by the Parish	
Saturday, Jan 1st, 2022 « Mary, The Holy Mother of God »		

#### 8:30 am Mass Pro Populo ~ Mass for All Parishioners

9:45 am All souls in purgatory, req by the Calo Family †Paolo & Maria Calo, req. by the Family †Carmine & Marco Maglietta req. by Lucia Maglietta & Family †Antonio Ammirato, req. by Maria Ammirato & Family
11:00 am For all deceased members of our Parish Community, req. by the Parish †Nick Lamacchia, req. by the Family

"There are two births of Christ: one unto the world in Bethlehem; the other in the soul." « Ven. Fulton Sheen »

