

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday

8:30 a.m. English

9:45 a.m. Italian

11:00 a.m. Family Mass

Monday

12:00 p.m. Daily Mass

Tuesday

12:00 p.m. Daily Mass

Wednesday

11:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Prayer
Mass, followed by Novena to
our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday

11:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

12:00 p.m. Daily Mass

Friday

12:00 p.m. Daily Mass

NOTE: First Friday of each month at 11:00 am please join us for a Holy Hour of Adoration followed by Mass at Noon in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

NOTE: Mass is celebrated at 9:00 am on weekday statutory holidays

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays:

9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. and

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. in the chapel

and on request by calling the Parish office

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the Parish office to obtain a registration package.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples engaged to be married must contact the Parish office at least one year in advance.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Brigid's - Elementary: Richard Walo (416) 393-5235

St. Patrick - Secondary: Tim McGrenere (416) 393-5546

ST. BRIGID'S OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM

Please call St. Brigid's Parish office: (416) 696-8660

Telephone #: (416) 696-8660 | **Email:** stbrigids@archtoronto.org

Parish Office Hours | Monday to Friday 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. | (Closed: 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

Website: stbrigids.archtoronto.org | **Facebook:** St. Brigid's Catholic Church | **Twitter:** @StBrigidsTO

Instagram: [stbrigidscatholic](https://www.instagram.com/stbrigidscatholic) | **YouTube:** [stbrigidscatholicchurch](https://www.youtube.com/stbrigidscatholicchurch)

REFLECTION

The great saints of the church speak of an intermediary coming of Christ, the coming of Christ to our present lives. Jesus says in the Book of Revelation, “Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come into you” (Revelation 3:20). We can let him into our lives as stewards by realizing it is not ourselves ministering to our neighbour, but the love and presence of Christ within us. St. Teresa of Calcutta says it best when she proclaims that, *“It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you. Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at someone and offer them your hand.”* St. Teresa of Calcutta fully embodies the spirit of stewardship that makes room for Christ to love others through her. Let us strive to let Jesus into our lives as we approach Christmas.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:

LOVE



During this final week of Advent, we rejoice in the endless love that God has for us, which is made apparent in the birth of his Son. We reflect on the good news of God's love brought to us from the angel Gabriel.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” - John 3:16

Countdown to Christmas

The second part of Advent (December 17-24) is a direct preparation for Christmas, the yearly commemoration of Jesus' coming among us in human flesh



Mass Readings
Beginning on December 17, the gospel readings from Matthew and Luke recount the events that prepared for the Lord's birth, while the first readings present important messianic passages that relate to the gospel text

“O” Antiphons
In the week before Christmas, a series of antiphons are found for the Cantic of Mary (Magnificat) at evening prayer
These are the “O Antiphons”, because each one of them begins with the interjection “O”
Each verse acclaims a title of the coming Lord and then invites him to act in accord with that title
These verses reflect the cry of the Church in the last days of Advent:

Come, Lord Jesus!



- DECEMBER 17
O Wisdom of our God Most High
- DECEMBER 18
O Leader of the House of Israel
- DECEMBER 19
O Root of Jesse's stem
- DECEMBER 20
O Key of David
- DECEMBER 21
O Radiant Dawn
- DECEMBER 22
O King of all nations and keystone of the Church
- DECEMBER 23
O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law



2022 ~ 2023 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



Saturday, December 24th Christmas Eve Vigila di Natale	5:00 pm	Family Mass	
	10:30 pm	Christmas Carols	
	11:00 pm	Bilingual	
Sunday, December 25th Christmas Day Giorno di Natale Nativity of The Lord Nativita di Gesù	8:30 am	English	
	9:45 am	Italian	
	11:00 am	Family Mass	
Monday December 26th	No Masses		
Saturday, December 31st New Years Eve	5:00 pm	English	
	Sunday, January 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Solennità di Maria, Madre di Dio	8:30 am	English
		9:45 am	Italian
11:00 am		Family Mass	

2023 DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2023 donation envelopes are now available and are located at the front entrance of the Church in numerical order. If you don't know your envelope number, please refer to the binder with names listed in alphabetical order or see an usher for assistance. Please contact the parish office if you have moved or changed your contact information.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

December 23 rd	Closes at Noon
December 26 th & 27 th	Office closed
December 30 th	Closes at Noon
January 2 nd	Office closed

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The regular collection for last week was **\$2,492.45** Please remember St. Brigid's Church in your last will and testament. Don't forget to ask us about Pre-Authorized Giving (P.A.G.)

RIFLESSIONE DEL VANGELO

Siamo alle porte del Natale e viene oggi offerta alla nostra contemplazione l'obbedienza docile e operosa di Giuseppe, lo sposo di Maria. Come lui, anche noi, rinvigoriti dal cammino di Avvento, poniamo la nostra vita al servizio dei disegni di Dio Padre.

QUARTA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO:

AMORE



La quarta candela è detta "degli Angeli", i primi ad annunciare al mondo la nascita del Salvatore. Simbologia l'amore.

"Gloria a Dio nel più alto dei cieli e pace in terra agli uomini che egli ama" (Luca 2, 14)

ORARI FESTIVI DELL'UFFICIO PARROCCHIALE

23 Dicembre	Chiude a mezzogiorno
26 & 27 Dicembre	Ufficio chiuso
30 Dicembre	Chiude a mezzogiorno
2 Gennaio	Ufficio chiuso

BUSTE DONAZIONE 2023

Le buste per le donazioni 2023 sono ora disponibili e si trovano all'ingresso principale della Chiesa in ordine numerico. Se non conosci il numero della tua busta, fai riferimento al raccoglitore con i nomi elencati in ordine alfabetico o chiedi assistenza a un usciere. Vi ringraziamo per la collaborazione.



Confirmandi Homily Reflections Sunday Stars of the week

CONGRATULATIONS

Aiden Borsas
Sydney Lefebvre



**We pray to our Blessed Mother Mary
for all suffering with illnesses.**

**Preghiamo la nostra Beata Maria
per tutti i parrocchiani e amici malati.**

MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONE DELLE MESSE

Monday, December 19th

12:00 pm †Rosalbino & Giuseppina Iannitelli, req. by Joe Naccarato

Tuesday, December 20th

12:00 pm For the personal intentions of Ignacio

Wednesday, December 21st St. Peter Canisius

11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration & mid-day Prayer

12:00 pm Healing blessings for Carmela Brusadin, req. by John MacDonald

12:30 pm **Novena:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday, December 22nd

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

12:00 pm †Pasquale Melino, req. by Lucia Melino

Friday, December 23rd St. John of Kanty

12:00 pm †Giuseppe & Maria Naccarato, req. by Joe Naccarato

Saturday, December 24th Christmas Eve

9:00 am **No Mass / No Messa**

5:00 pm †Raffaella Mirra, req. by wife & children
†Maria Teresa Fabiano, req. by Joe, Maria, Denise, & Anthony Fabiano
†Beryl & James Monaghan, req. by Paul Monaghan
All deceased members of the Filardi & Gesualdo Family, req. by Donato, Giovanna & Rosa Filardi
All deceased friends of the Filardi & Gesualdo Families, req. by Donato & Giovanna Filardi

10:30 pm Christmas Carols

11:00 pm Christmas Night Mass

Sunday, December 25th Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

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



9:45 am Per tutti defunti della famiglia DeFusco, req. by Guglielmo DeFusco
†Emanuele Infanti e tutti defunti delle famiglie Infanti e Pirrotta, req. by Nella Infanti
†Giuseppe Di Stefano e tutti defunti della famiglia Di Stefano, req. by moglie Giovanna e Figlia
†Mariangela Castagnozzi & Antonio Maraia, req. by Antonietta Schiavo & Family
†Angelo Spano Greco, req. by the Family
†Nicola Grande, req. Chiara Grande & Famiglia
†Filippa Spadaro, req. by Carmela Spatolo
†Giuseppe Visconti, req. by Moglie & Figli
†Giuseppina Morana, req. by Giovanna Morana

11:00am For all souls in purgatory, req. by the Calo Family
†Maria & Giovanni Naccarato req. by Joe Naccarato
†Lucia, Marco, Carmine, Antonio & Angela Maglietta, req. by the Maglietta Family
†Filomena & Gioachino Cornacchia, req. by the Dattoli Family
†Giovannina & Santo Dattoli, req. by the Dattoli Family

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