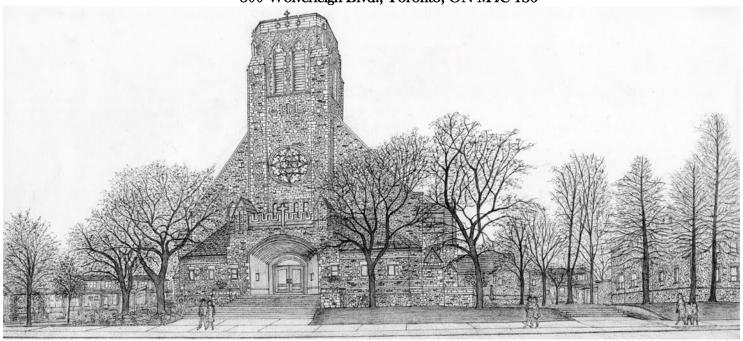
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EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Vigil - English

Sunday

8:30 a.m. English 10:00 a.m. Italian 11:30 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 & Prayer12:00 p.m. 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

* 1st Friday of each month - 11:30 a.m. Adoration followed by Daily Mass

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays:

4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and on request by calling the Parish office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays 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 are kindly asked to contact the Parish office at least one year in advance.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Brigid's Elementary School:

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^{*} All regular Masses are livestreamed via our website

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In the Gospel today we hear of the proclamation of John the Baptist, and as stewards, all of us are called to imitate him and lead others to Christ. St. Thomas Aquinas says, "To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them." We must lovingly and patiently meet others where they are and slowly walk with them as they discover the mysteries and beauties of the Church.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 9



Pease join us as we celebrate a special Bilingual Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on *Monday, December 9, at 7:30 pm. (7:00 pm Holy Rosary)*

OPERA BELCANTO – DECEMBER 12



We invite you to join us for a delightful Christmas concert presented by the soloists of the Opera Belcanto of York on:

December 12 at 7:00 pm in the Church

The program will also include beautiful operatic arias.

Admission is FREE. All are welcome!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER DECEMBER 12

On 12 December, the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Church in Canada marks the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples.

This initiative of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has been coordinated since 2002 by the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council (formerly the Canadian Catholic Aboriginal Council).

This year, the reflection by the Council is inspired by Pope Francis's words of healing and reconciliation spoken during his "penitential pilgrimage" to Canada. The prayer can be found on the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website at:

https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/National-Day-of-Prayer-in-Solidarity-with-Indigenous-.pdf

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Please join us as we celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation as we prepare for Christmas.

Tuesday, December 17 - 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Wednesday, December 18 - 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The 2025 offertory 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. We Thank you for your cooperation.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

Father Ernie will be leading a group of pilgrims from St. Brigid's to Ireland on August 18 to 29, 2025. This 12-day journey of faith will cost \$5,595 per person (Toronto departure including all taxes & tips, double occupancy) with breakfast, dinner and great accommodations. Do not miss this wonderful opportunity to journey in faith to the land of St. Brigid and St. Patrick. Please call Henry at 647-272-2811.

OUT OF THE COLD COLLECTION



Our Out of The Cold Program continues to prepare home cooked takeaway meals for those in need. We thank the cooks and volunteers for making this possible. Thank you to our parishioners and all who continue to

donate to this program. There will be a special collection on the weekend of **December 14 & 15** to support the preparation of the Christmas takeaway meals. Together, we can create a ripple effect of positive change, ensuring no one in our community goes hungry.

This year in addition to our annual collection we are requesting donations of personal hygiene items to help those less fortunate this Christmas.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the National Catholic Broadcasting Council, Catholic Cemeteries and The Precious Blood Fathers for providing free calendars for our community this year.

2024 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 24th - Christmas Eve / Vigilia di Natale

5:00 pm - Family Mass 11:30 pm - Christmas Carols

Midnight - Mass - English with some Italian

December 25th - Christmas Day / Giorno di Natale

8:30 am - English 10:00 am - Italian

11:30 am - Family Mass

December 31st

- The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

5:00 pm - Mass - Bilingual

January 1st

- The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

11:00 am - Mass - English with some Italian

RIFLESSIONE DEL VANGELO

Nel Vangelo di oggi sentiamo parlare dell'annuncio di Giovanni Battista e, come amministratori, tutti noi siamo chiamati a imitarlo e a condurre gli altri a Cristo. San Tommaso d'Aquino dice: "Per convertire qualcuno, vai, prendilo per mano e guidalo". Dobbiamo incontrare con amore e pazienza gli altri, là dove sono, e camminare lentamente con loro mentre scoprono i misteri e le bellezze della Chiesa.

SOLENNITÀ DELL'IMMACOLATA CONCEZIONE

In onore della festa dell'Immacolata Concezione, unitevi con noi, il 9 di dicembre per il Santo Rosario alle 7:00 pm e per la Messa solenne alle 7:30 pm. La messa sarà celebrata sia in inglese che in italiano.



CONFESSONI DI AVVENTO



Unitevi a noi per celebrare il sacramento della riconciliazione mentre ci prepariamo

Martedì 17 dicembre - 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Mercoledì 18 dicembre - 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

COLLETTA PER OUT OF THE COLD

Il nostro programma Out of The Cold continua a preparare pasti da asporto cucinati in casa per chi ne ha bisogno. Ringraziamo i cuochi e i volontari per aver reso tutto questo possibile. Grazie ai nostri parrocchiani e a tutti coloro che continuano a donare a questo programma. Nel fine settimana del 14 e 15 dicembre ci sarà una raccolta speciale per sostenere la preparazione dei pasti da asporto natalizi. Insieme, possiamo creare un effetto di cambiamento positivo, garantendo che nessuno nella nostra comunità soffra la fame.

Quest'anno oltre alla nostra raccolta annuale chiediamo donazioni di prodotti per l'igiene personale, per aiutare i meno fortunati questo Natale.

BUSTE PER DONAZIONI 2025



Le buste per le donazioni 2025 sono disponibili e si trovano all'ingresso principale della Chiesa in ordine numerico. Se non conoscete il numero

della vostra busta, abbiamo fornito un elenco di nomi in ordine alfabetico oppure consultate un usciere per assistenza. Vi ringraziamo per la vostra collaborazione.

MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONE DELLE MESSE

Saturday, December 7 ST. AMBROSE

†Giuseppe Loiacono, Vanda & Giacomo Savatti 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 8

8:30 am 10:00 am Mass Pro Populo – Mass for All Parishioners

†Tutti defunti della famiglia Maiorano

†Carmelo Grosso

†Immacolata (Tina) Morlando †Charles Zampino & Antonio Butto

†Paolo & Concetta Ferrara †Pietrina & Vincenzo Fragale

†Carmela Liscio

†Filomena & Giocchino Cornacchia †Giovanni Bartolo & Maria Martelo

†Teresa Doto

11:30 am †For all souls in purgatory

Monday, December 9

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

12:00 pm Pro Populo 7:00 pm Holy Rosary

7:30 pm Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, December 10

12:00 pm Healing Blessings for Luisa

Wednesday, December 11

11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration & mid-day Prayer

12:00 pm †Felicetta & Paolo Lobozzo

†Estrella Cajefe Rama

†Rosalbino & Giuseppina Iannitelli

†Austin Hunt †Vittorio Turco

†Lucia, Marco, Carmen & all deceased members

of the Maglietta Family

†Luigi Lamanna

12:30 pm Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday, December 12 OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

11:00 am **Eucharistic Adoration**

12:00 pm †For all deceased members of the Romano &

Dwver Families

In honor of our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 13 ST. LUCY

12:00 pm In honor of St. Lucy

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 9 Immaculate Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 pm Rosary / 7:30 pm Mass

December 12 Opera Belcanto - 7:00 pm

Out of the Cold Special Collection December 14 & 15

Advent Confessions December 17 & 18

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