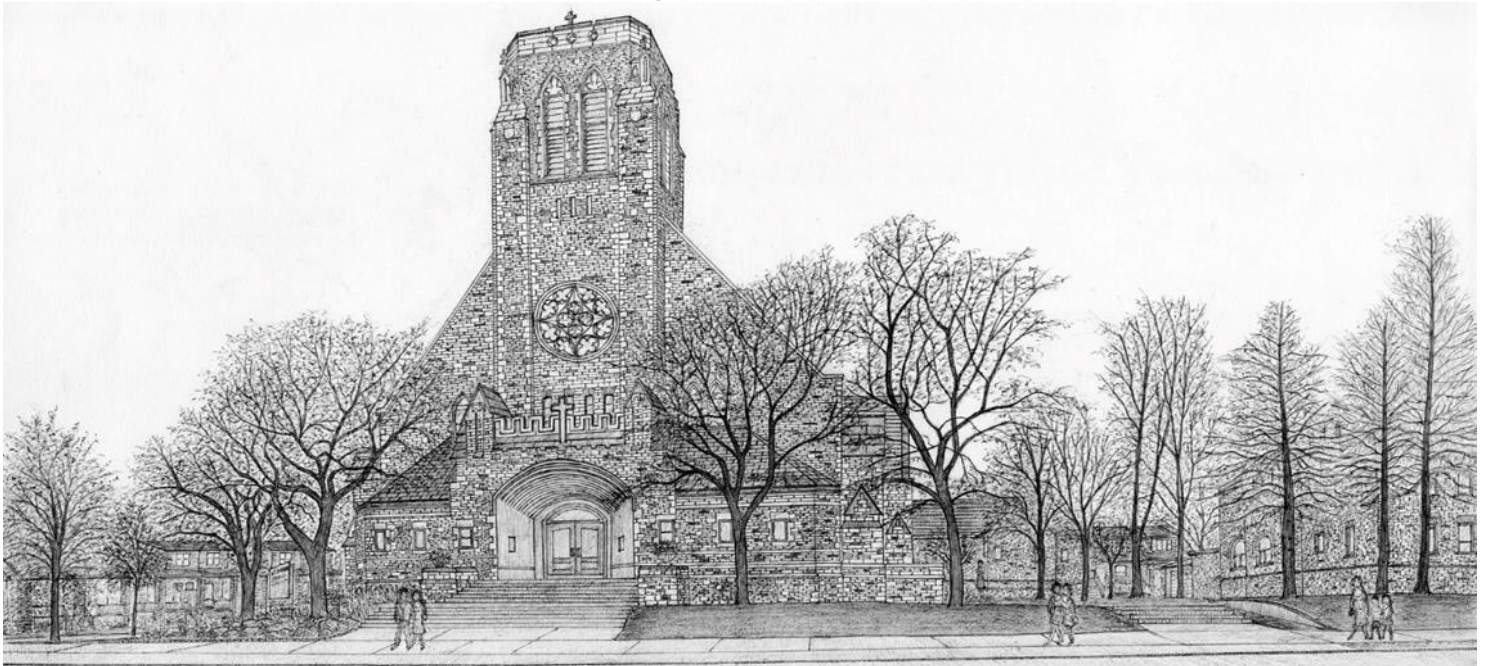


# ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

300 Wolverleigh Blvd., Toronto, ON M4C 1S6



## EUCCHARISTIC 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 & Prayer  
12:00 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  
\* 1<sup>st</sup> 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*

*\* All regular Masses are livestreamed via our website*

## 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 11:30 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:

Principal: Kevin Kerr (416) 393-5235

### St. Patrick Secondary School:

Principal: Tim McGrenere (416) 393-5546

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**Pastor:** Rev. Ernesto De Ciccio | **Parish Office Manager:** Bruna Amabile

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**Parish Office Hours** | Monday - Friday 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. | (Closed: 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

**Website:** [www.stbrigids.archtoronto.org](http://www.stbrigids.archtoronto.org) | **Facebook:** St. Brigid's Catholic Church | **Instagram:** st.brigidscatholic

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

On this Gaudete Sunday we are reminded that despite the crosses and difficulties of our lives, the joy of Jesus' birth should always shine brightly. If we begin to thank God for all of His blessings, we will quickly realize that there are far more things to be joyful about than upset over. Perhaps one way we can share this joy is by offering our time and talents to help others this season, whether it be at a nursing home, a soup kitchen or helping with a toy drive.

### OUT OF THE COLD COLLECTION



This weekend, **December 14 & 15**, there is a special collection 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.

### 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**

### COR MENS GROUP MEETING

The next COR men's group meeting will be held on **Thursday, December 19 at 7:30** in the chapel meeting room. The topic for discussion will be "Getting ready for Christmas". Following the meeting there will be refreshments and fraternity. For those still interested in joining the COR men's group, please contact the parish office.

### 2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



The 2025 offertory envelopes are available and ready for pickup at the front entrance of the Church. 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.

### POINSETTIAS



We would like to decorate the altar with lots of poinsettias (thousands!!) for Christmas. Please consider donating to the church by **December 23**. We want St. Brigid's to be the most beautiful church!

**We thank you for your ongoing generosity!**

### RING OUT CHRISTMAS BELLS

Christmas is a time of joy. Bring your bells to Church for the Christmas Masses and ring them for the singing and Gloria. At the birth of our Saviour, let's make a joyful noise unto the Lord!!



### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

#### CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG FOR KIDS

**On Saturday December 21 at the 5:00 pm** Mass, St. Brigid Children's Choir invites any child from any grade to join a one day only Sing-Along. We'll sing Christmas favourites like Silent Night, Away in a Manger and Joy to the World. Music will be provided to all participants.

#### Sing-Along Schedule

- 4 pm – Choir Practice
- 5 pm - Mass

For more information about this musical opportunity, email [marcfmichalak@gmail.com](mailto:marcfmichalak@gmail.com)



### 2024 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



#### December 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve / Vigilia di Natale

- 5:00 pm - Family Mass
- 11:30 pm - Christmas Carols
- Midnight - Mass – English with some Italian

#### December 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day / Giorno di Natale

- 8:30 am - English
- 10:00 am - Italian
- 11:30 am - Family Mass

#### December 31<sup>st</sup> - The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

- 5:00 pm - Mass - English

#### January 1<sup>st</sup> - The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

- 11:00 am - Mass – English with some Italian

### PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Tuesday, December 24	Closes at Noon
Wednesday, December 25	Closed
Thursday, December 26	Closed
Tuesday, December 31	Closes at Noon
Wednesday, January 1	Closed

### THANK YOU

Thanks to **Opera Bel Canto** for a wonderful evening of music & entertainment. We look forward to future performances!

Thank you to **Heritage Funeral Home** for the donation of our beautiful new Processional Crucifix. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated!

## RIFLESSIONE DEL VANGELO

Questa domenica ci viene ricordato che, nonostante le croci e le difficoltà della nostra vita, la gioia della nascita di Gesù dovrebbe sempre risplendere. Se iniziamo a ringraziare Dio per tutte le Sue benedizioni, ci renderemo presto conto che ci sono molte più cose di cui essere felici che di cui arrabbiarsi. Forse un modo in cui possiamo condividere questa gioia è offrire il nostro tempo e i nostri talenti per aiutare gli altri.

## CONFESSONI DI AVVENTO



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

**Martedì 17 dicembre – 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**

**Mercoledì 18 dicembre – 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm**

## COLLETTA PER OUT OF THE COLD

Questo fine settimana del **14 e 15 dicembre** ci sarà una raccolta speciale per sostenere la preparazione dei pasti da asporto natalizi. 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 dell'offertorio 2025 sono disponibili e pronte per il ritiro all'ingresso principale della Chiesa. Vi ringraziamo per la collaborazione.

## POINSETTIAS

Per Natale vorremmo decorare l'altare con tantissime stelle di Natale (migliaia!). Vi preghiamo di considerare una donazione alla chiesa entro il **23 dicembre**. Vogliamo che Santa Brigida sia la chiesa più bella!



**Vi ringraziamo per la vostra generosità!**

## SUONIAMO LE CAMPANE PER NATALE



Il Natale è un momento di gioia. Portate le vostre campane in Chiesa per le Messe di Natale e suonatele per il canto e la Gloria. Alla nascita del nostro Salvatore, facciamo un rumore di gioia al Signore!

## GRAZIE

Ringraziamo **Opera Bel Canto** per una meravigliosa serata di musica. Aspettiamo le future esibizioni!

Ringraziamo **Heritage Funeral Home** per la donazione del nostro nuovo Crocifisso processionale. Il loro supporto è molto apprezzato.

## MASS INTENTIONS INTENZIONE DELLE MESSE

### Saturday, December 14 **ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS**

1:00 pm **MEMORIAL MASS:** †Arcangela Abbamonte (1 month)

5:00 pm †Pasquale Lamanna

### Sunday, December 15

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

10:00 am Grazie ricevute Antonietta Schiavo

In Onore di Santa Lucia

†Carmine Schiavo e tutti defunti

†Immacolata (Tina) Morlando

†Giuseppe e Rosa Cozzi e tutti nonni delle famiglie

Grande e Cozzi

†Domenico e Marta Grande

†Bambini non nati

†Anime del purgatorio

†Biagio e Albina Delle Fave

†Nicola Guglielmo Grande

11:30 am †Makayla Carpino

### Monday, December 16

12:00 pm †Leonardo Masellis

### Tuesday, December 17

12:00 pm †Giuseppe & Maria Naccarato

7:00 pm **MEMORIAL MASS:** †Nancy Pereira (1 month)

### Wednesday, December 18

11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration & mid-day Prayer

12:00 pm †Giovannina Lobo

†Justiniano Go Rama

†Francesco & Luisa Iannitelli

†Francesco Berardelli

†Austin Hunt

†Jose Milan

12:30 pm Novena: Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### Thursday, December 19

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

12:00 pm †Carmine & Michele Iannitelli

### Friday, December 20

12:00 pm †Giovanni & Maria Naccarato

7:00 pm **MEMORIAL MASS:** †Carmelo Racioppo (1 month)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Out of the Cold Special Collection	December 14 & 15
Advent Confessions	December 17 – 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm December 18 – 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
COR Men's Group	December 19 – 7:30 pm
Children's Sing-Along	December 21 – 4:00 pm (practice) - 5:00 pm (Mass)





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