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Feast of the Holy Family

206 - 3

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday 10:30 a.m.
For the people of the parish

Monday 12:00 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Ignatius Tjong and Family

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Rex, Margaret and Jefferson Tse

Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
+John Mackenzie
(Jackie Mackenzie)

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.
+Lydia Cheong
(John and Yokelan Seck)

Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Intentions of Father Richard Andrews
(JP and Virginie Chan)

Thursday 12:10 p.m.
+Martin Diaz
(Family)

Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory

Friday 12:10 p.m.
+Deacon Vincent Cassidy
(Jackie Mackenzie)

Friday 7:30 p.m.
For Vocations

Saturday 9:00 a.m.
Living and deceased members of the
Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and for their
living and deceased family members.
(Jackie Mackenzie)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
+David and Augustine Silveira
(Family)

Sunday 9:00 a.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Lourdes Merino

Sunday 10:30 a.m.
+Judith and Melba DeSouza
(DeSouza Family)

Sunday 12:00 p.m.
For the people of the parish

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH SUNDAY DECEMBER 31, 2017

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bob Hustins, Cleo Savoie, Elizabeth Wong, Raquel Pinto, Joseph Yu, Anne Canagasuriam, Harry Ramadhin, Johnny Luu, Eric Maddan, Rita Yu, Erwin Ishmael, Luiza Pinto, Peter Ngan, Helen Yu-Kiu Leung, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Alwin Siu, Fu Pui, Anna Starkiewicz, Olivia D'Souza, Anthony De Sousa, Lubomir Ivicic, Margaret Wong, Ara Koumd Jian, Ester Cholakean, Fitzroy James and Ruth Pullen

PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

For those who have no one to pray for them.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Through the intercession of our Mary, Mother of God, may the Lord bless all our families and loved ones and protect us this new year.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS including the lectors, servers, ushers, choirs, the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca for our flowers and altar decorations, and for Jackie Elias for our Christmas trees.

A FAMILY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of our family. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more fully this vocation to love.

In our daily life and work, may we reflect the self-giving love which you, O Father, eternally show with your Son and the Holy Spirit.

Let your love be evident in the peace that reigns in our home and in the faith we profess and live. May our family always be a place of generosity, understanding, forgiveness and joy.

Kindly give us the wisdom and courage to be witnesses to your eternal design for the family; and grant the Holy Family of Nazareth may always guide our path to holiness as a family.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

MASSSES FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD – a holy day of obligation in Canada, will be at 5:00 p.m. New Year's Eve and New Year's Day at 10:30 and 12:00 Noon. There will be no 9:00 a.m. Mass.

CONFESSIONS ON NEW YEARS EVE
WILL BE FROM 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.

ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED

and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and making up for any absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact at **416-968-0997**.

email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

If you could write out your requests for particular intentions and place them in the box located near the statue of our Patron, St. Thomas the Apostle.

WALK-IN COUNSELLING

at Catholic Family Services York Region

(21 Dunlop St., Richmond Hill) on Mondays and Tuesdays from 1:00-9:00 (www.ccsyr.org)

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2018 Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the delivery of envelopes. Those who live outside our parish area are asked to pick up their box of envelopes from the table at the back of the church. If any one did not receive their envelopes or who would like to use envelopes please come to the Parish Office.

LEGION OF MARY

New Members are welcome. The senior Legion meets in the sacristy on Thursday at 8:10 and the Junior Legion on Friday from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. **For more information, please contact Amy Rebeiz: 647-643-2232** amyrebeiz@gmail.com

CANADIAN HEARTS AND HANDS: A MISSION WITHOUT BORDERS

It is always a pleasure to welcome new volunteers - many are needed to satisfy the need but just one, can make the difference. Below I have listed the names and days/time of the GTA projects. Feel free to google canadianheartsandhands.ca All the GTA projects are served on Sundays of every month (no exceptions) as follows:

- **First Sunday - St Vincent's kitchen, 51 King St. East, Oshawa. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm: Determine menu, prepare and serve a four-course meal and clean up.**
- **Second Sunday - Happy Hour (prerequisites: TB shots and police clearance) Tendercare Living Center, 1020 McNicoll Avenue, Scarborough, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Serving seniors in Scarborough. Help them play BINGO and other games (prerequisites not necessary for games only)**
- **Third Sunday - Good Shepherd, 412 Queen St. East, downtown TO. 8:00 am to noon: make beds, do laundry, help in kitchen, sort out food or where ever needed.**

FORMED

The Parish has paid for a subscription to Formed **FOR THE WHOLE PARISH.** This is only for parishioners. **You can register by going to: Formed.org** Put your own email and the parish access number which is: 6K2ZMY Then register and enjoy: when you are on the website you can go to Study, watch, listen or read.

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