

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C – DECEMBER 16TH, 2012

THE FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD 2013

Students aged 14 -18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2013.

The Theme for this coming year is

“What does God require from us?” (cf. Micah 6:6-8).

First prize is an iPad mini (16 GB), second prize is a Kobo Arc and third to sixth prizes are a one-year subscription to The Catholic Register and other prizes. Essays will be published in the Catholic Register.

Deadline for entries is January 18, 2013

Send all submissions to:

The Catholic Register
1155 Yonge Street, Suite 401
Toronto, ON M4T 1W2

This is a good opportunity for high school students to learn about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and develop their writing skills.

REMINDER TO CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

Remember that you must attend one meeting, in the church, covering Unit either at 10:30 am today Sunday Dec 4 pm on Sat Dec 22nd. Best advice - being at the first choice in case something comes up blocking you from the last meeting.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who contributed to this special collection last weekend. The total collected came out to \$912. We are sure that a few folks who did not remember to bring these envelopes last weekend will be dropping them into the collection this weekend.

This money will go to cover the poinsettias and help defray the costs of any expenses incurred for the Christmas decorations.



Vi ringraziamo per le buste che avete dato per le stelle di natale e li altri spese natalizie. La somma domenica scorsa è stata di \$912. Sappiamo che alcuni porteranno le loro buste oggi – grazie!

While we are talking about donations, we will need to talk about weekly donations soon. We were told that since we are under 1,000 registered families/units, we would only qualify for one priest on staff. We need to revisit those numbers once we are more comfortable with our parish lists. What has surprised us is that our weekly offertory is not breaking \$3,000. We figured that the numbers would change going from summer into the autumn, with families returning after summer and moving into a school year routine.

Parlando delle offerte, abbiamo seguito le cifre settimanale. Sembra che anche con l'inizio dell'anno scolastico, quando le famiglie si raccolgano in un ritmo più regolare, non c'è stato un incremento notevole nelle offerte. Dobbiamo lavorare di più per avere più famiglie impegnate nella parrocchia perché se no, non ci concederanno la possibilità di avere un altro sacerdote a San Francesco.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE - 2012 - NATALE

CHRISTMAS EVE
MONDAY – LUNEDÌ DECEMBER 24TH

No Morning Mass



Christmas Prelude 8:30PM
Mass in English 9:00PM

Canti Natalizi 11:30PM
Messa Bilingue

mezzanotte
Bilingual Mass 12 midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY
TUESDAY – MARTEDÌ DECEMBER

25TH

Messa in Italiano 9:00AM
Mass in English 11:30AM



NEW YEAR'S EVE

MONDAY – LUNEDÌ DECEMBER 31ST

No Morning Mass – Non c'è Messa durante la mattinata.

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Adoration 3:30PM
Benediction of Blessed Sacrament 4:45PM
Mass in English 5:00PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
SOLENNITÀ DI MARIA, MADRE DI DIO

TUESDAY – MARTEDÌ JANUARY 1ST

Messa in Italiano 9:00AM
Mass in English 11:30AM



PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed Monday 24th, 2012 and will open again to the public on Thursday January 3rd, 2013.

Certificates and Mass bookings can easily be made at other times. If someone is sick and needs a priest or if someone needs a Mass Card, **please leave a message on the parish voicemail and we will try and get back to you as soon as possible.**

Vi avvisiamo che **durante il periodo natalizio, l'ufficio parrocchiale sarà chiuso dal lunedì 24 dicembre fino a giovedì 3 gennaio.** Per le pratiche di ogni giorno non ci sono urgenze. In generale tutte gli uffici prendono una pausa per questi giorni. Detto questo, notate che per le visite agli ammalati lasciateci sulla segreteria telefonica (answering machine) **un messaggio chiaro con diversi recapiti telefonici.** Inutile lasciare solo il numero di telefono se siete all'ospedale vicino all'ammalato – lasciate o i numeri dei figli o qualche numero di telefonino. Sapendo anche le nostre realtà, se c'è bisogno di **una Messa Perpetua per qualche defunto**, lasciate un buon messaggio e cerchiamo di venire incontro al vostro bisogno – possiamo preparare il libretto e portarlo in sagrestia.

2013 CALENDARS

The 2013 Calendars will soon be available at the back of the Church. Our thanks go to **Cardinal Funeral Homes** who have very generously donated these calendars for all our parishioners to enjoy!

January 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	
8	9	10	11	

**TORONTO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WELCOME
KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS**



The Toronto Catholic District School Board welcomes families with kindergarten-aged children to register for the September 2013 school year beginning Tuesday, January 8, 2013. Your local Catholic school will be offering one

evening of extended registration hours during the week of January 14th, 2013. Please contact your local school for this date – see the phone numbers on the front of this bulletin.

The TCDSB is proud to provide a wide range of programs and services to students in 201 publicly-funded Catholic schools from kindergarten to grade 12.

For registration information, please call 416-222-8282, ext. 5314

GIFT OF SECURITIES-EVERYONE WINS!

If you have appreciated securities that you don't want to pay capital gains tax on, consider using them to make your offertory gift. You can also use securities to consolidate all your other Church giving as well. If you make an annual gift to ShareLife, for example, we will arrange to have your parish credited with your gift. To learn more, please call the Development Office of the Archdiocese at 416-934-3411 or visit

www.achtoronto.org/development

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2013 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT/CONCIERTO
NAVIDENA/CONCERTO DEL SANTO NATALE**

A Christmas Concert will be held on December 23 at 5.00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Parish, 2100 Jane Street Toronto. It will be held in Italian, CORALE VENETA and directed by Maestro Maria Grazia Capobianco. All are welcome/Todos bienvenidos/Tutti benvenuti

For more information please call 416-241-3101 or see www.stphilipneri.ca

BAPTISM CERTIFICATE

A Baptism Certificate for FRANCESCA AMALIA MALO GELISSA was forwarded to our Parish Office. Would the person who forwarded this certificate please contact the Parish office since no other contact information was included with the certificate.

MASS SCHEDULE

December 15th to December 23rd

SATURDAY, December 15th

5:00 PM Francesco Luciano Donato

SUNDAY, December 16th

third Sunday of advent

9:00 AM Intenzione Speciale Sherry Leung
Antonietta e Pasquale Schettino;
Giuseppe Malfara; Domenico Jannetta;

Vincenza Longo; Amadeo Perri;
Luigi e Antonietta Leparulo;
Famiglia Rao e Famiglia Furfaro;
Giuseppina Susini; Francesco Pingitore;
Nicola e Elisa Pelaia;
Giovanni e Elena Candelloro;

11:30 AM Natalina Fracasi

MONDAY, December 17th

8:00 AM Maria e Vincenzo Pileggi

TUESDAY, December 18th

8:00 AM Giuseppe e Anna Furfaro

WEDNESDAY, December 19th

8:00 AM Valentino Altomare

THURSDAY, December 20th

8:00 AM Living and Deceased Franciscans

FRIDAY, December 21st

**St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the
Church**

8:00 AM Giovanni Manella

SATURDAY, December 22ND

5:00 PM Annunziata & Domenico Carnevale

SUNDAY, December 23rd

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Intenzione Speciale Sherry Leung
Domenico Lanni; Giuseppe Susini
Giuseppe e Francesca Sisi
Giovannbattista e def Fam Marchese
Vincenzo e Marianna Iozzo
Bruno Mariano; Pierino Iocco e def Fam
Pasquale Cioffi; Aldo Fierro
Rosanna Pasquale e defunti Marcello
Giovanni e Elisabetta Artusa

11:30 AM Caterina Rizzuto

Please remember that all Mass intentions in for January – March 2013 are now open for booking.

Vi ricordiamo che tutte le intenzioni per gennaio a marzo 2013 sono aperti per prenotazione.