

MARY & JOSEPH: What a divine Love Story!

The Gospel of Matthew brings us into the mystery of such a wonderful story of sublime love. Two young people in love with each other but most of all in love with God, who is planning the greatest revolution of love that ever existed on earth. Two young people with an infinite vision for themselves and for the rest of humanity. At the same time, two very simple young people madly in love with each other; a love that surpasses any human boundaries and limitation.

Imagine how deep and tender was the love of Mary for her Joseph! Together they had decided to offer their life totally to God, reserving nothing for themselves. Joseph on the other hand, even though not knowing all the extent of God's plan for the little family they were going to form, had total trust on his lovely promised spouse. Never came to his mind the slightest doubt of her integrity but grew ever deeper in his respect and confidence in Her. You can imagine the tender embrace they exchanged when they realized that God was at the center of their lives and that the long-awaited Messiah was going to become their little child.

Imagine the divine purity of their tender love and life together. It must have been a continuous bliss of joy and grace, not tarnished by any desire of lust and natural satisfaction. The love of the Holy Spirit had completely filled their hearts, so that they could not leave any space for anything human or sensible. The sublimity of their love could not be limited by any human or bodily desire. It was a love completely infused by the Holy Spirit in their heart, and their life was totally absorbed by the joyful mystery of this Baby, who was coming to fill the hearts of all men and women of the earth.

What a beautiful and tender love, which can enlighten and kindle the love of every couple and every human being today, on this Holy Night of Christmas.

CHALLENGE.

Between the 20th and 25th of December you may take a picture, with your iPhone of your nativity scene, and send it with your name and phone number to Fr. Walter at: frwalter@stcatherine.ca Use your imagination and your creativity. We will give \$100.00 each to the three best nativities.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec. 21, 2019 St. Peter Canisius

8:00am + Efren Basquinas
6:00pm + Ida & Luigi Collodel
7:00pm Spanish Novena (Scalabrini Hall)
7:30pm Simbang Gabi (Filipino Novena)

Sunday, Dec. 22 4th Sunday of Advent

8:30am + Forgotten Souls
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
1:00pm + Lucia Fernandes
4:00pm + Mumtaz & Fakhira Bourachi
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES
7:30pm Simbang Gabi (Filipino Novena)

Monday, Dec. 23 St. John of Kanty

8:00am + Mary Emmanuel
6:30pm + Rosina Stranges
7:00pm Spanish Novena (Scalabrini Hall)
7:30pm Simbang Gabi (Filipino Novena)

Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Vigil

8:00am + Karen, Azzareya & Dominic Abilay
4:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS – Family Mass
7:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES
10:00pm SOLEMN MASS

Wednesday, Dec. 25 Nativity of the Lord

8:30am + Deceased of Gaudette & Gauthier Families
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
1:00pm + Danilo, Cirilla & Luigi Berdusco,
Umberto & Maria Giurin & Borotolozzo Family

Thursday, Dec. 26 St. Stephen

8:00am Gerald (+) & Irene Hendricks
7:00pm + Luciano Checchia

Friday, Dec. 27 St. John

8:00am Thanksgiving from Bibet Basnet & Family
7:00pm + Vivian & Philomena Texeira, Duarte &
Ubin D'Souza & Dr. Primo Carneiro

Saturday, Dec. 28 Holy Innocents

8:00am + Samuel & Iris Moreira
6:00pm + Maggie Conceptio Mathias

Sunday, Dec. 29 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:30am Thanksgiving from Dolores Family
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS
1:00pm + Mirna Olivares
4:00pm + Paul, Victoria & Carlo Tanti, Mary, Paul
& John Grogan,
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

ITALIANO

Grupo di Preghiera Italiano reprenderá in Gennaio.

AVISOS EN ESPAÑOL

La FAMILIA MISIONERA invita a todos a continuar nuestro caminar cristiano, participando en nuestras ORACIONES DE TODOS LOS MARTES a las 7:35 pm en el SALÓN SCALABRINI.

El MARTES 24 de DICIEMBRE, 2019 (7:00 pm) participaremos en la SANTA MISA Y CELEBRACIÓN DE NAVIDAD.

El MARTES 31 de DICIEMBRE, 2019 (4:00 pm) participaremos en la SANTA MISA y ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA DE AÑO VIEJO.

El MIÉRCOLES 1 de ENERO, 2020 (6:00 pm) participaremos en la SANTA MISA DE AÑO NUEVO.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES will start in January. If you have not registered your child, please do so as soon as possible.

DUFFERIN PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD will have an information session at the Catholic Education Centre at 40 Matheson Blvd. W., Room 301 on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm to support the transition of children with differing abilities. . Contact your local school or visit www.dpdsb.org.

2020 Envelopes can be picked up at the main entrance of the Church. Anyone who had a number over 1301, please check the binder with the parishioners list for your new number.

2020 SUNDAY MISSALS You may purchase your own missal for \$5.00 at the office.

The Fathers, the Deacon, the Volunteers and all at St. Catherine of Siena Parish wish you all, Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors

MERRY CHRISTMAS

BUON NATALE

FELIZ NAVIDAD

MALIGAYANG PASKO

Schedule of weeknight Masses between Dec 15-23

MASS in ENGLISH will be @ 6:30pm not 7pm;

MISA en Espanol @ 7:00pm in Scalabrini Hall

MASS in Tagalog (Simbang Gabi) @ 7:30pm

SCALABRINI MISSIONS collection at Christmas. The Lord will reward all that help in the expansion of His Kingdom in the world.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to thank everyone who donated during the Christmas Giving Tree campaign, Loonie/Toonie Sunday and the collection.

NEW YEAR'S EVE TOGETHER.

We are all invited to celebrate a MASS OF THANKSGIVING with solemn Eucharistic Benediction on December 31st at 7:00pm in Church. After the celebration we all will gather in Zanon Hall for a fraternal celebration to welcome the New Year. You are invited to bring some food that we can share all together. Fr. Walter will provide the Spumante.

Please get in touch with Vicky, so that we may prepare accordingly.

PARISH ENGLISH CHARISMATIC PRAYER MINISTRY will resume on Saturday, January 18th at 2:30pm in Scalabrini Hall.

A Holy
and Blessed
Christmas

