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### MESSE DOMENICALI

9:00am: Italiano  
10:30am: Inglese  
12:00noon: Ge'ez Rite

### MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da lunedì a Sabato  
7:30pm: Mercoledì & Venerdì:  
Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

### BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

### CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima della Messa  
Sabato dalle 4 alle 5pm  
Altri giorni su appuntamento

### MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

### RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

### SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

Chiamate in Ufficio qualunque giorno

### SUNDAY MASSES

9:00am: Italian  
10:30am: English (with Children's Liturgy)  
12:00noon: Ge'ez Rite

### WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Monday to Saturday  
7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial  
mass (upon request)

### BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.  
Parents must be registered members of our  
parish community

### CONFESSIONS

Every day before Mass and after mass and  
upon request

### MARRIAGES

One year notice and marriage course  
mandatory

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

### SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

The Church is open for personal  
prayer and meditation from  
7:30am to 7:00pm

### Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese  
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domenicale dalle 7:30am alle 3:30pm



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services from 7:30 to 3:30pm

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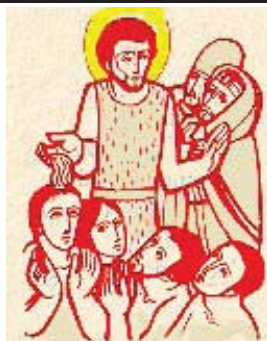


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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hall della Parrocchia disponibile per affitto. Chiamate in Ufficio  
The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office



## ADVENT



This Sunday is called “*Gaudete Sunday*” and its message is comfort and joy in this penitential season of Advent. *Gaudete* is the Latin word for rejoice. We are urged not to worry, for the Lord is near. Holy Scripture promises the peace of God in our hearts, if we just ask for it. St Paul says, “There is no need

to worry; but if there is anything you need pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and Thanksgiving”. We need not wait until after God has granted our requests before saying thanks. Even as we ask, we should already be grateful. Some of the things to thank God for at the end of this year could be all the good done by people in our time, and the essential workers that keep us safe and fed in the midst of this pandemic.

## CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

From November 29th until December 20th, we will be collecting food items for Good Shepherd Ministries. You can help Good Shepherd feed those most in need by donating the following items: canned vegetables, canned meat, granola bars, juice boxes, salad dressing, canned stew, cookies, canned soup, and wrapped hard candy. A box has been placed in the vestibule to receive your donations. Please donate what you can and help others in our city receive the gift of hope this Christmas.

## OUR COLLECTIONS

Please consider supporting your parish, even if you are unable to come to the church!

For information on how to donate, please see our website (<https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-Us/donate>).

Thank you for your generosity!

## THIS WEEK’S READINGS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 10-11.  
Psalm: Luke 1:47-48, 49-50, 53-54.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24.  
Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28.

### Rejoice always. —1 Thess. 5:16

During this time of year, there are many things that can make us feel happy. We enjoy seeing friends and family, even if virtually. We may like looking at Christmas lights that decorate people’s homes. The festive food that seems to be present everywhere is extra yummy. But today’s scripture calls us to venture beyond “happy” into “rejoicing!” There are so many blessings around us that our joy should be abundant and directed to our God who gives us all good things! Let’s share our great joy with those around us, so the light of Christ will shine during this Advent season and continue through the upcoming Christmas season.

*Lord, thank you for the many blessings you give me every day of my life. Please help me remember to give you praise and thanks for these blessings.*

## HOLY DAY LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE

December 24 at 8 pm (Christmas Vigil)  
December 25 at 10:30 am (Christmas Day)  
January 1 at 10:30 am

Currently, Masses will only be livestreamed.

## REFLECTION ON STEWARDSHIP

This *Gaudete Sunday* St. Paul exhorts all of us to “rejoice always.” One way we can help people rejoice in suffering is by not partaking in complaining about our difficult situations. The next time we are in a tough moment and people around us begin to complain, let us strive to steer the conversation into one of gratitude for the good things the Lord is doing in our lives.

## COVID RESTRICTIONS

Current Covid-19 restrictions limit the number of people in the Church to 10 persons. Because of this the Cardinal has canceled all public Masses. The Church will remain open for private prayer, Tuesday to Friday from 8:00am to 12:00 noon.

## 3° DOMENICA DELL'AVVENTO (GAUDETE)– 13 DICEMBRE 2020



**Because of COVID-19, by decree of His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, Masses and other functions in the parishes of Toronto and Peel Region are cancelled, until further notice. Church will remain open for private prayer only.**

Please know, Fr. Bruno will be saying private Masses for the parishioners and their intentions.

### **December 13 Sunday/Domenica**

9:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

10:30 - MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED - In onore di Santa Lucia, Luciano Care, Giovannina De Carlo, Vincenza, Giovanni, Maria e Luciano Seminerio, Rocco Calamia, Jim Deleo (2 year anniversary)

12:00pm - Catholic Ge'ez Rite - LIVESTREAMED

### **December 14 Monday/Lunedì**

*Memorial of St John of the Cross / Memoriale di San Giovanni della Croce*

*No MASS TODAY*

### **December 15 Tuesday/Martedì**

8:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

11:00am - Catholic Ge'ez Rite - LIVESTREAMED

\*FR AVAILABLE FOR CONFESSIONS BY APPT.

### **December 16 Wednesday/Mercoledì**

8:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

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### **December 17 Thursday/Giovedì**

8:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

11:00am - Catholic Ge'ez Rite - LIVESTREAMED

\*FR AVAILABLE FOR CONFESSIONS BY APPT.

### **December 18 Friday/Venerdì**

8:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

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### **December 19 Saturday/Sabato**

8:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

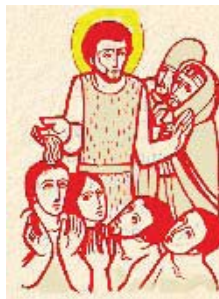
### **December 20 Sunday/Domenica**

9:00am - CANCELLED / CANCELLATO

10:30 - MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED - Maria e Domenico Pileggi e defunti Basile, Luciano, Giovanni, Maria e Vincenza Seminerio, A tutte le anime del Purgatorio Tenuta, I defunti Cesareo Carri, Vincenzo and Angelina Rubino, Bernardo Marino and Rocco

12:00pm - Catholic Ge'ez Rite - LIVESTREAMED

## AVVENTO



Questa Domenica si chiama "Domenica di Gaudete" e il suo messaggio è conforto e gioia nel mezzo di questa stagione penitenziale dell'Avvento. (Gaudete è la parola Latina per rallegrarsi.) Siamo esortati a non preoccuparci, perchè il Signore è vicino. La Sacra Scrittura promette la pace di Dio nei nostril curori se solo la chiedessimo. San Paolo dice: "Non c'è motive di preoccuparsi; ma se c'è qualcosa di cui hai bisogno, prega per questo, chiedendolo a Dio con preghiera e ringraziamento". Non abbiamo bisogno di aspettare fino a dopo che Dio ha concesso le richieste prima di dire grazie. Anche quando chiediamo, dovemmo già essere grati. Una delle cose per cui ringraziare Dio alla fine di quest'anno è tutto il bene fatto da così tante brave persone nel nostro tempo.

## RIFLESSIONI SULLA GESTIONE

Questa Gaudete Sunday St. Paul esorta tutti noi a "gioire sempre". Un modo in cui possiamo aiutare le persone a gioire della sofferenza è quello di non partecipare a lamentarsi delle nostre situazioni difficili. La prossima volta che ci troviamo in un momento difficile e le persone intorno a noi cominciano a lamentarsi, cerchiamo di guidare la conversazione in una conversazione di gratitudine per le cose buone che il Signore sta facendo nella nostra vita.


## DONAZIONE DI CIBO PER NATALE

Dal 29 Novembre al 20 Dicembre, raccoglieremo cibo non deperibile per i Good Shepherd Ministries. Una scatola è stata posta nel vestibolo per ricevere le vostre donazioni. Vi preghiamo di donare ciò che potete e di aiutare gli altri nella nostra città a ricevere il dono della speranza questo Natale.

## LE NOSTRE COLLEZIONI

Considerate la possibilità di sostenere la vostra parrocchia, anche se non potete venire in chiesa!  
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