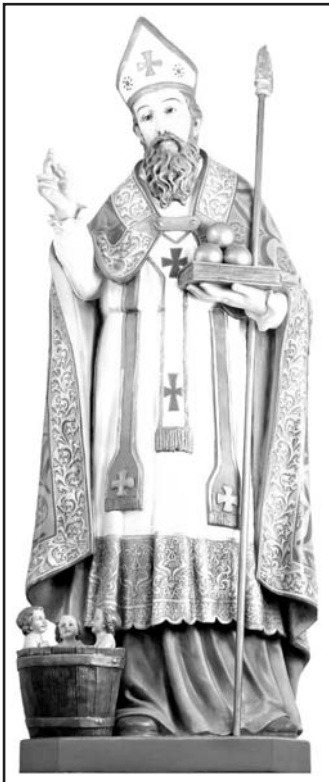


*Join us in celebrating faith and culture as one—everyone is warmly welcomed into our parish family, where Christ's love embraces us all!
Tutti sono benvenuti nella nostra famiglia parrocchiale, dove l'amore di Cristo abbraccia ciascuno di noi!*



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MESSE DOMENICALI

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

MESSE FERIALI

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

BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima o dopo la Messa.
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)
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Tuesday 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 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 12:00pm (Monday to Friday)

Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio

III Mercoledì del mese alle 6:45pm

Adorazione / Adoration

1° Venerdì del Mese
First Friday of the Month
8:30am - 9:00am

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – December 8, 2024



Comment on Luke 3:1-6

On this Second Sunday of Advent, we are met with the powerful words of John the Baptist: *“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”* These words are not merely historical; they echo through the ages and are meant for each of us today. Advent is a season of preparation, not just for the celebration of Christmas but for the coming of Jesus into our hearts and lives. Luke's Gospel today is rich with detail, grounding John's mission in a specific historical context. He names the rulers of the time—Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate, and others—reminding us that God's plan unfolds in the midst of real human history. This is a powerful reminder that God's message enters into the reality of our lives, no matter how messy or complicated they may be. Just as John was called to prepare the way for Jesus in his time, so are we called to prepare our hearts for His coming now.

Join Us for the Children's Liturgy



The Children's Liturgy is back, and we can't wait to welcome your children! This is a wonderful opportunity for them to experience the Mass in a way that's engaging, meaningful, and tailored just for them. During the liturgy, children will hear the Sunday Gospel in a way that connects with their hearts and minds, helping them grow in faith and understanding. **All children are invited to join, especially those preparing for their First Reconciliation and Communion!** We strongly encourage their attendance as part of their faith journey.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday December 24



Christmas Eve
8:00 p.m. - Bilingual Mass
(Italian/English)

Christmas Day – Wednesday, Dec. 25th
9:00 a.m. - Italian Mass
11:00 a.m. – English Mass

New Year's Day – Wednesday, January 1st
9:00 a.m. - Italian Mass
11:00 a.m. – English Mass

PLEASE NOTE: The parish office will be closed on December 26, 2024 and January 1, 2025. Please call us if any emergency occurs and we will respond as soon as possible.

Children to perform at Christmas mass



We are excited to share some wonderful news! This Christmas, your children will have the special opportunity to perform during our Christmas Mass. Their hard work, beautiful voices, and joyful spirits will help make this celebration even more meaningful and memorable for everyone in our community. The performance will take place on Christmas Day (December 25). We invite all families to join us for this heartfelt occasion as we come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus with joy, music, and love. We kindly ask that children attend the practice every Sunday to ensure they are prepared and feel confident in their performance.

POINSETTIAS



In anticipation of adorning the Altar for the upcoming Christmas season, we extend a warm invitation to our parishioners to contribute by donating poinsettias (red or white). Alternatively, you may choose to make a donation towards acquiring poinsettias for the Church. For further details, kindly reach out to the parish office. Your participation in enhancing the festive beauty of our worship space is truly appreciated.

MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS SALE & RAFFLE!



Join us in the Church Foyer every Sunday, Nov 10 - Dec 22, from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm.

Raffle tickets: \$5.00

(Grand Prize: Meat and Cheese Slicer!)
Toiletry gift packages: Starting at \$10.00—perfect for Christmas gifts!
Support our fundraiser and invite family and friends. Thank you, and may your season be merry! The proceeds will be used to purchase an industrial refrigerator.

Confirmation session



Tuesday December 10, 6-8PM in the parish hall. All students are expected to attend.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Weekly offerings : \$1,305.25 Maintenance: \$472.00
Thank you for your generosity! To learn more about how to make a donation, please visit our website.
(<https://stnicholasofbarito.archtoronto.org/About-Us/donate>).

2° DOMEMICA DELL'AVVENTO - 8 DICEMBRE 2024



December 8 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Giovanni, Gaetana e Giovannina LaCorte, Joe e Serafino Militello, Giuseppe Lodato e Ignazio Shambari; Rosa e Domenico Casbarro; Giuseppe e Maria Albanese

10:30am – Vittorio Nanni; Giuseppina Martino; Francesco Lauricella

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

3:00pm – Festa di San Nicola di Bari / Feast of Nicholas of Bari

December 9 Monday/Lunedì

No mass today ----- Nessuna messa oggi

December 10 Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am – Anthony Steve Merchan; Angela Verre e Michele Verre; For the generosity of St. Nicholas's parishioners; Holy Spirit's guidance for the families who have difficulties with separation, divorce, court hearings, custody of children, housing

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

6:00pm – 8:00pm – Confirmation Session

December 11 Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Marcial Ruiz Cruz, Ana Maria & Palmino Alfano; St. Joseph help upon Colette and Alistair, Sylvia Lorenzo, Dinora, Irena, Ania, Linh, Renaldo, Carlos Tejada, Julian & Tabatha, Luba, Bryan, Martin, Josue, Rene Meza, Johana & Ivan, Andrew Coppens, Josue, Jose Mauricio Castaño, Emmanuel

December 12 Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am – Repose of the soul of Christopher, Leseck; Kristof, Wadec, Wiesiek, Krenija Poljak; End of abortion & euthanasia; For all Priest living and deceased; Healing of Jacob Lee McEwen, Otto, Walter, Irena, Ania, James Breggar, Gloria, Joe, Lucia, Pinargote Castro Family, Mily; Birthday blessings upon Yolanda Gomez, Nayelly Marquez

11:00am – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

December 13 Friday/Venerdì

8:00am – Santa Lucia, Luciano Carè, Antonia e Raffaele Carè; In onore di Santa Lucia; For the Priests of Holy Cross of Marylake; Repentance, conversion, peace in the world; Healing of Ivette, Pax, Emriz, Emma Sophia Greco, Han Ycaza, Elsa, Martha

December 14 Saturday/Sabato

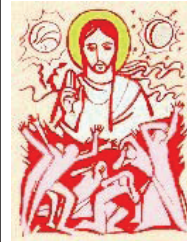
8:00am – Repose of the soul of Alejandra, Maria Elena, Jose Denis, & Jose Antonio Elias, Rigoberto Munguia; All souls in Purgatory, for all migrants, refugees, prisoners, dying, sick, lonely, unemployed, poor; Thanksgiving to Heavenly Father for all Sacraments

December 15 Sunday/Domenica

9:00am – Antonietta Pallotta; Potenza Nicola e Margherita e Pietro; Gilberto Giovanni

10:30am – Jim & Joe Deleo & for all the deceased members of the Deleo & Ferreri Families; Santa Lucia & all souls in Purgatory

12:00pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)



Comento su Luca 3:1-6

Giovanni ci invita a preparare la strada per il Signore. È un'immagine che possiamo facilmente comprendere. Pensiamo alle strade di campagna dopo una pioggia: ci sono buche, ostacoli, e spesso bisogna sistemarle prima che possano essere percorse di nuovo. Così è anche per il nostro cuore. Con il passare degli anni, la vita può lasciare in noi segni: dolori, rimpianti, delusioni. A volte, questi diventano come pietre che intralciano il cammino. L'Avvento ci offre un tempo prezioso per lavorare su questa strada interiore. Non si tratta di fare grandi opere, ma di piccoli gesti di amore e di apertura. Forse è il momento di lasciare andare qualche amarezza che ci portiamo dentro, di offrire una parola di riconciliazione, o semplicemente di riscoprire il dialogo con Dio nella preghiera.

ORARIO MESSE DI NATALE E CAPODANNO

Martedì, 24 Dicembre :

8:00pm: Vigilia di Natale (Italiano/Inglese)

Giorno di Natale – Mercoledì, 25 Dicembre

9:00 a.m. – Messa in Italiano

11:00 a.m. – Messa in Inglese

Nuovo Anno – Mercoledì, 1 Gennaio 2025

9:00 a.m. – Messa in Italiano

11:00 a.m. – Messa in Inglese

Nota bene: l'ufficio rimane chiuso : Giovedì 26 Dicembre 2024 e Mercoledì, 1 Gennaio 2025



CELEBRIAMO SAN NICOLA

Domenica, 8 Dicembre 2024

Ore 15:00: Messa Solenne con il comitato di Guardiaregia in onore di San Nicola. A seguire, nella sala parrocchiale, ci sarà la distribuzione del tradizionale **pane e fagioli**, un simbolo di comunità e condivisione nella vita di San Nicola. Questo semplice pasto ci ricorda il cuore generoso del santo, che dedicò la sua vita ad aiutare i più bisognosi. Vi invitiamo tutti a unirvi a noi

in questo momento di fede e tradizione!

MERCATINO E LOTTERIA DI NATALE!

Unisciti a noi nell'atrio della chiesa ogni domenica, dal 10 novembre al 22 dicembre, dalle 8:30 alle 12:00.



Biglietti della lotteria: \$5,00
Gran Premio: Affettatrice per carne e formaggi!

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Sostenete la nostra raccolta fondi e invitate parenti e amici. Grazie per il vostro supporto e che la vostra stagione sia ricca di gioia e serenità! Il ricavato sarà destinato all'acquisto di un frigorifero per la sala parrocchiale.

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