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**4th Sunday of
Advent
December 23rd,
2018**

He takes away the first to establish the second. (Hebrews 10:9)

Here we are, just two days before Christmas, and the Scripture readings at Mass are still telling us about all the new things that Jesus' birth has brought about. Take today's second reading. The author of Hebrews tells us that Jesus came to take away one thing—"the first"—and establish something new—"the second". What are these two?

The "first" is the entire system of "sacrifices and offerings" that took place in the Jewish Temple. The time had come to end the practice of offering up bulls and goats in atonement for sin. In place of these sacrifices, Jesus established the "second" thing: "Behold, I come to do your will". He replaced countless sacrifices with his own heart of trust and obedience.

God doesn't need our sacrifices. We don't have to convince him to love us. We don't have to prove ourselves to him by giving things up or by working ourselves to death. Of course, he delights in seeing his children making sacrifices for the sake of his Church, but his love doesn't depend on it. It's not something we earn. It's something we receive as a generous gift—just as we receive any gift sitting under our Christmas tree.

Of course, our sacrifices do please the Lord—especially the sacrifices we make for our families and for the poor. But Christmas is about Jesus' love, not our efforts. It's about his generosity, not our hard work. Instead of demanding sacrifices from us, Jesus did the exact opposite: he sacrificed himself for us by becoming a man. Instead of abandoning us because of our sin, he came closer to us so that he could redeem us. Not by our sacrifices. Not by our suffering. But by his love.

There are just two days left. Jesus is about to do a new thing all over again. Fix your eyes on him. Let him reveal this new thing to you—the love that saves and the obedience that sanctifies.

"Jesus, thank you for your love.

Thank you for your sacrifice.

Thank you for doing your Father's will."

(Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)

MASS INTENTIONS

December 24th to December 29th

Mon., December 24th, St. Adele

Morning Mass

Tue., December 25th, Birth of the Lord

Wed., December 26th, St. Stephen,

First Martyr

Giacomo & Vincenzo Capiello & Vincenzo Cosco

Francesco & Filomena Santoro

Maria, Mattia & Sammy Capone

Thur., December 27th, St. John the Apostle

Salvatore & Maria Mastella

Savero & Sabina Di Nardo

Maria Pussateri

Fri., December 28th, Holy Innocents

Maria & Sebastiano Rinella

Giannina Mazzanti

Michele Bufo

Eucharistic Adoration 2:30-6:30PM

Sat., December 29th, St. Thomas Becket

Antonio Grisolia

Maria Pina & Fernando Carinci

Michele Aciri

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

December 24 – Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. English Family Mass

12 Midnight Solemn English Mass

December 25 – Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. Italian Mass

9:30 a.m. English Mass

11:30 a.m. English Mass

**WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY AND
BLESSED CHRISTMAS**

May the joy of Christmas resound in your hearts and in your homes. May the Good News heralded on that First Christmas continue to fill your hearts and to strengthen your journey. To all of you, our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year!

Fr. Andrzej Glaba, Fr. Paul Begin, and all the Staff and Volunteers of All Saints' Parish.

NO MEMORIAL MASS IN DECEMBER

Please note that there will be NO Memorial Mass on the last Friday in December.

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATIONS

December 31 – New Year's Eve

5:00 p.m. English Mass

January 1 – New Year's Day

8:00 a.m. Italian Mass

9:30 a.m. English Mass

11:30 a.m. English Mass

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY DINNER

Saturday, January 5, 2019

Join us for an evening of good food, great music and most importantly, sharing an evening within our parish community. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Any inquiries please refer to the parish office.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

On Monday, January 21st at 7:00 pm - Hall.
Please contact the office for more information.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will take a break for Christmas, wrapping up on December 16th and will resume in the New Year.

NEW ENVELOPES FOR 2019

New donation envelopes for 2019 are now available in the parish hall. Please pick up your box of envelopes as soon as possible. In the new year, we kindly ask you to dispose of any leftover envelopes from this or previous years.

THANK YOU!

A special note of thanks to all who helped decorate the Christmas tree in the foyer with mitts, hats and socks for the needy and toys for the children, especially the All Saints' and St. Eugene Schools communities for all the wonderful toys and games they collected and donated to our St. Vincent de Paul and other families in need. On behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity, we thank you!

10th Boxing Day Ice Hockey Game

You are invited to a day full of fun on Wednesday, December 26 at York Canlan Arena from 10:30 am to 12 pm. Let's Celebrate the Christmas Season together!

Players 14 years and older are invited to play a Fun game of hockey. Full equipment required. Please confirm at nick.mossa@sympatico.ca



Youth
MINISTRY



EDGE (Gr. 5-8)

Friday, January 11th - 6:45 – 9 pm
Parish Hall - Topic: "Mamma Says"

KIDz Clubhouse (Grades 2-4)

Friday, January 18th - 6:30-8:30 pm
Parish Hall - Topic: "The Mass"

All Saints Young Adults (Gr. 8 & up)
Friday, January 4 – 7-9 pm - Parish Hall
Topic: "Words with Friends"

Youth Encounters

Sunday, January 13th – 4 – 5:30 - Church
Topic: "The Bible"

Please follow us on

@All Saints' Parish Youth Ministry – Toronto
Instagram @AllSaintsYOUTHToronto

Just FAITH
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Session 3: The Prayer Process

Location: Parish Hall

Dates Offered: **Tues. January 15 - 7 pm.**

Wedn. January 23 - 7 pm.

Join us we deepen our faith together.



Learn About the Mass Online
Episode 5- Processions

A procession is an assembly on the move.

<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/Our-Catholic-Faith/parish-formation-video-series>

MASS
QUIZ

What happens when they all arrive at the Sanctuary of the Church? *Together they make a profound bow to the altar.*

What do the deacon and priest do when they go to the Altar?

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest or religious or deacon to carry the Good News of God's great Love? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org.**

MUSIC MINISTRY

Cherub Choir: (Kindergarten to Gr. 2):
Rehearse Sundays during 9:30 am. Mass.

Children's Choir: (Gr. 3 to 8):
Rehearse Thursdays 3:45 - 4:45pm. Sing at the
9:30 am Mass every two or three weeks.

Adult choir: Rehearse Thursdays 7:30-
9:30pm. Sing at the 11:30 am. Mass.

YOUTH CHOIR: (Teenagers/Young
adults) Rehearse Saturdays 4:15 pm.
Sing at 5 pm Mass.

For more Information please contact:
Richard.Heinzle@gmail.com

VIOLIN & CELLO LESSONS

We are inviting young learners on an educational journey to experience an innovative approach to learn music. Violin and Cello lessons will be downstairs in the Parish Music room.

Mon –Tue – Wed - Fri: 4 - 5 p.m. or 5 - 6 p.m.

Sat: 9-10a.m. or 10-11a.m. or 11-12 p.m.

For more details, please contact:

[Arthur Lewinowicz](mailto:Arthur@violintss.com) at Arthur@violintss.com or
call 416-3161853 or visit www.violintss.com

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MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES - JANUARY 2019

Our marriage preparation course for 2019 will be in January on the following dates:

Monday, Jan. 14 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 18 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 25 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Engaged couples can register for the course at the parish office. The fee is \$100.00 per couple.

Note: Couples are expected to attend all sessions.



Baby Jesus Birthday Party! An invitation to all children!

Please join us in the
celebration and reflection
on the birth of Jesus!

When: Wednesday, December 27, 2017

Where: All Saints' Church Parish Hall

Time: 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

Light refreshments (pizza & veggies)
will be served. Please RSVP at:

babyjesusparty2018@gmail.com with the
name and age of the child/children attending.

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