

DECEMBER 16, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST. BASIL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE



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Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm; 3:00 pm - 8:00pm
Sat 9:00 am - 6:30 pm Sun 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

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SUNDAY MASSES

5:00 pm (Sat);
9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 pm; 4:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sat: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am; 12:10 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

VESPERS Mon-Fri: 5:10 pm
LAUDS Sat: 9:00 am

ADORATION

Thurs: 3:30-5:00pm

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Fr. Morgan Rice, CSB
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MARANATHA, COME, O LORD

By Fr. Norm Tanck, CSB

This week we will not look at the Sunday readings, but what happens liturgically tomorrow, 17 December. The Liturgy of the Church includes the Mass, the celebration of the Sacraments and the Liturgy of the Hours, sometimes referred to as the Divine Office, which is prayed every day by priests, vowed religious and many lay people. The Liturgy of the Hours marks the passing of time in the hours of the day (primarily Morning, Evening and Night Prayer) and the seasons of the year (Advent, Ordinary Time and Easter/Pentecost).

Towards the end of Evening Prayer, the Magnificat, Mary's Canticle found in Luke 1:46-55, is prayed or chanted. Like the psalms at Mass it is introduced each day by a different short antiphon. Tomorrow we begin a series of seven daily antiphons that will end 23 December. These

Since 1856, St. Basil's Parish has been home to people of all ages and needs.

Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. If you need to, feel free to walk with your child in the back of the church or in the hallway off the side aisle. We are blessed because you are all here!

For those who need hearing assistance, devices are available at the front desk. Simply leave a photo ID to borrow one during your visit.



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St. Basil's Parish, Toronto

antiphons are called the "O Antiphons" because they begin with an "O" followed by seven different titles of Jesus as the Church prays that the Lord will return soon.

The English translation of these antiphons are the verses of our most familiar Advent hymn, "O Come, O Come Emanuel" (CBW #312). On 17 December it is O WISDOM, the 18th- O LORD AND RULER, the 19th- O ROOT OF JESSE, the 20th - O KEY OF DAVID, the 21st- O DAWN OF THE EAST, the 22nd- O KING OF THE GENTILES, the 23rd- O EMMANUEL.

According to Professor Robert Greenberg of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, the Benedictine monks arranged these antiphons with a definite purpose. If one starts with the last title and takes the first letter of each Latin title of Jesus - Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia - the Latin words *ero cras* are formed, meaning, "Tomorrow, I will come."

SUNDAY'S READINGS:

- ZEPHANIAH 3.14-18A
- ISAIAH 12
- PHILIPPIANS 4.4-7
- LUKE 3.10-18

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Join the universal prayer of the Church
Vespers (evening prayer) is prayed on weekdays at 5:10PM; **Lauds** (morning prayer) is prayed every Saturday at 9:00AM.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come spend some quiet time with the Lord
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Thursday from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Solemn exposition and benediction take place on the first Friday of the month, following the 12:10pm Mass.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please note in addition to the office closures on December 26, and January 1st, the Parish Offices will only be open from 10:00AM to 1:00PM until our regular weekday schedule resumes on January 7, 2019. The weekend office hours remain unchanged.
Please note there is no 12:10PM Mass on December 24. Confessions available by appointment only

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

If you have served as in the Ministry of Hospitality and are able to help out as an Usher during the busy Christmas season, please contact Michael at (416) 926-1300 x.3210 or michael.pirri@utoronto.ca to give him your availability.

ADVENT BLUE BOOKS & SUNDAY MISSALS

There are still a few remaining copies of the Advent Blue Books and Sunday Missals. If interested, please visit the Parish Office to make your purchase.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The first John Ford Food Drive collection of 2019 will take place on January 5/6. Volunteers will be in the vestibule after all weekend Masses that weekend.

THE BASIL BRIGADE NEEDS YOU!

Next **Sunday, December 23** following the 12:00PM Mass, join our cleaning and decorating party. Many hands help to make for light work.

We will spend the afternoon sprucing up the church, preparing for the Christmas services on the two following days. RSVP not required. Contact Michael for more information: michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

THE LITURGY CORNER

The Third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete Sunday. The name Gaudete is taken from the original Latin Introit text for today, which begins: *Gaudete in Domino semper*; or "Rejoice in the Lord always"

The rose (not pink!) candle and vestments are the outward sign of this joy, which comes to us in the middle of the Advent season.

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Lord, you were favourable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob."

Philippians 4.4-6; Psalm 85.1

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Prepare your heart for Christmas. Join thousands taking part in the Week of Confessions this Advent.

During the week of **December 17-21**, there will be additional opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 11:00AM to 12:00PM before the weekday 12:10PM Mass. Additionally, the Sacrament will be made available from 3:00PM to 5:00PM on **Saturday, December 22nd**.

Confessions are also available by appointment by contacting the parish office at (416) 926-7110.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, December 9, 2018 \$7,337.35



MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 16TH – 22ND

SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am Fr. Norm Tanck (liv.)
10:30am *Pro Populo*
12:00pm Marie, Roe, and Sandra Forrester (+,+,+)
4:30pm Louise Janin (+)

MONDAY

7:30am Arthur Barthos (+)
12:10pm Francis, Monica, and Mary Gannon
(+,+,+)

TUESDAY

7:30am Louisa Gopengco (+)
12:10pm David Robert Weiner (+)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am Louise and Rosario Alfonso (+,+)
12:10pm Jenny and Helen Sicora (+,+)

THURSDAY

7:30am Lucille Mirvish (+)
12:10pm Marjorie Chan (+), Benjamin and
Esperanza Arteficio (+,+)

FRIDAY

7:30am Fr. Daniel Chui, CSB (+)
12:10pm *Vocations*

SATURDAY


5:00pm *Souls in Purgatory*


PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Mary O'Brien, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Roberto Martello, Gemma Ciavarelal, Filomena Larocca, Joseph Troncone, Rebecca Beaton, Gemma Ciavarella, Rita Moran, Marie Ange, Paul O'Brien, Carry Eillen, Shane Carroll, Maria Teresa Blackwell, Donna Wood, Romulus DeMello, Neil McCormack, Alexander Wu, Desmond Brownlee, Emilia Perejmybida, Young-Mi Sim, Marywynne Parke, and Jasper David-Fuchs.

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