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5:00 pm (Sat);
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Mon-Fri: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
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Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings require a one year notice.

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

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THE THREEFOLD COMING OF CHRIST

by Erica Tice

Today the Church begins its new year with the First Sunday of Advent. Coming only a week after the glory of the Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe, we are given a solemn reminder to watch and wait expectantly for the Lord. What are we watching for, exactly?

From a liturgical point of view, we watch for the coming of our Infant King, of the tiny Babe to arrive in the manger of our hearts in a few short weeks' time. From an eschatological point of view, we await the coming of this tiny Babe in all His majesty and glory at the end of time, where we will see Him as He really is.

The third point of view lies between the visible poles of Christ's birth and His coming in

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Mothers are welcome to nurse their children in church or provide them snacks as needed. As Pope Francis has said, children's voices, even when crying, make "the most beautiful choir of all." 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!



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glory. It is the invisible, hidden coming of Christ which intersects with our daily lives where He acts as our rest and consolation. This intermediary coming is the one that we watch for today and throughout this first week of Advent.

Those who watch for this invisible coming of Christ come equipped with particular attitudes and dispositions as illustrated by Blessed John Henry Newman in his Parochial and Plain Sermons:

“They watch for Christ who are sensitive, eager, apprehensive in mind, who are awake, alive, quick-sighted, zealous in honoring him, who look for him in all that happens, and who would not be surprised, who would not be over-agitated or overwhelmed, if they found that he was coming at once... This then is to watch: to be detached from what is present, and to live in what is unseen.”

So let us watch and wait today and this week in the deep and hopeful silence which enveloped Our Blessed Mother as she carried our tiny Lord beneath her heart. Come Lord Jesus!

SUNDAY’S READINGS:

ISAIAH 63.16B-17; 64.1, 3-8
PSALM 80
1 CORINTHIANS 1.3-9
MARK 13.33-37

CHURCH ENVELOPES

A new calendar year is fastly approaching! Parish envelopes will be available for pickup starting on the weekend of **December 9/10** in the back of the Church.

Please note that in contrast to previous years, the labels will be placed on the top of the envelope boxes. If you have used envelopes this year, please be sure to only pick up a box with your number and name on it.

TORONTO ORATORIO

The University of Toronto’s Oratorio Ensemble, Dr. Darryl Edwards, Director, Mia Bach, Pianist, Christina Haldane, Assistant Director. *Gloria in excelsis Deo!* A concert celebrating the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Works by Handel, Rossini, Mendelssohn, and Vivaldi, among others.

**December 5 at 7:30pm
St. Basil’s Catholic Parish**

Admission is free, donations are welcome to support the music program of Saint Basil’s Catholic Parish.

TAIZÉ SERVICE

Mark your calendars for a meditative Scripture-based prayer and music in the Taizé tradition. On **Friday, December 8, 2017 at 7:30PM**, join us as we prepare for Christmas through contemplative song, scripture and silence. All are welcome.

For more information, please contact Michael at (416) 926-1300 x. 3210 or michael.pirri@utoronto.ca

USMC SCHOLA CANTORUM

The University of St. Michael’s College Schola Cantorum, directed by Michael O’Connor, presents *Begotten of Light*.

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**December 11 at 7:30pm
St. Basil’s Catholic Parish**

Admission is free, donations are welcome to provide support to families in need at Christmas.

JOHN FORD FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

Thank you for your generous support of the John Ford First Sunday Food Drive. Your contributions help ensure the continued success of the Out of the Cold and Miller Group outreach ministries.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Visit <https://adventreflections.com/> to subscribe to a daily Advent Gospel Reflections from Word on Fire.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

We are currently updating our records for the Ministry of the Sick and Homebound. If you are already involved in this ministry, or are interested in learning more, please contact Jessica via email at jessica.deluca@utoronto.ca or by phone at (416) 926-1300 x. 3413.

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

*Grant, almighty Father, that when
Christ comes again*

*we may go out to meet him bearing the
harvest of good works achieved by your
grace.*

*We pray that He will receive us into the
company of the saints and call us into the
kingdom of heaven.*

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY:

Sunday, November 26, 2017 \$ 6,481.25



MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 3RD — 9TH

SUNDAY FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am Maria Myung and Family (liv.)
10:30am *Pro Propulo*
12:00pm Kevin and Griffin Keeley (+,+)
4:30pm Sertic Hermina (+)

MONDAY

7:30am Maria Deliateh (liv.)
12:10pm Frank and Mike Gregoire (+,+)

TUESDAY

7:30am Rector Bolado (+)
12:10pm Admund and Avec Arevalo (liv.), Rebecca
Bordeos (liv.), Manuel and Julieta Lim (+)

WEDNESDAY

7:30am The Thalheiner Family
12:10pm Eustace Pereira (+)

THURSDAY **St. Ambrose**

7:30am Irene Gray (+)
12:10pm Ester Afante (liv.)

**Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
Mary**

FRIDAY

7:30am David Myung and Family (liv.)
12:10pm John and Lena Palma (+,+)

SATURDAY

5:00pm Linda Hopkins (+)

PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary O'Brien, Claire Fidler, Kam Fung Tem, Angel Martinez, Margaret-Mary McKenzie, Joe Torres, Rita Moran, Celerina Agpoon, Bernice Casey, Concha Gaeitereiro, Lucy Rietveld Bowers, Donna Wood, Clare DeMello, Erika Farncomb, Evelyn McGloin, Roberto Martello, Filomena La Rocca, Joseph Troncone, Hai Luen Liu, Neil McCormack, Barbara MacMahon-Firestone, and Alexander Wu.


PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, especially, Mary Carol Schofield


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