

Offering Envelopes



Parishioners are asked to pick up their 2020 Offertory Envelopes in the chapel. It is important that you discard all previous envelopes when the New Year commences. Please enter your full name and address on the first few 2020 envelopes so that we may allocate donations correctly for income tax purposes.

If you do not have offertory envelopes and would like a box, please fill out a request form found in the church foyer or in the parish office.

Children's Christmas Eve Choir

Children in Grade 3 and up are invited to participate in a Christmas Choir to sing at the **5:00pm Christmas Eve Mass**.

Practices Times are as follows:

Saturday, Dec. 14th & Saturday Dec. 21st from 6pm to 6:45pm,
and Tuesday, Dec. 24th at 4:15pm.

Those interested are asked to meet Zabrana Villasanta in the church.



Advent Eucharistic Vigil:

Watching... Waiting... and Preparing... for Our Lord!

Fri., Dec. 13th at 7:00pm till Sat., Dec. 14th at 6:00am

St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Brampton invites you and your family to join them for an **Advent Eucharistic Vigil**. The Vigil includes Holy Mass, Adoration, Praise and Worship, Lectio Divina, Taizé Prayer, Gregorian Chants and much more.

For more information please call St. Anthony of Padua Parish at 905-793-8030.

Vocations Corner... "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocations Director at 416-968-0997.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Web: www.vocationstoronto.ca



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday: December 9th

8:00am - †Miguel and Maria Pinto

Tuesday: December 10th

7:00pm - †Philomena Fabrizio;

†Vincenzo Calabrese;

†Damiana Lettieri

Wednesday: December 11th

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm - †Louis Duria;

For the Grace of Healing ~
Shane Elliott

Thursday: December 12th

8:00am - †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday: December 13th

8:00am - †Ivan and Antonia Canjar

7:00pm - †Josephine Rose D'Souza
(14th Anniversary of Death)

Saturday: December 14th

8:30am - In Thanksgiving ~

Nigel Miranda

In Thanksgiving to

Our Lady of the Airways ~

Carmeline & Bonny Gonsalves

5:00pm - †Ken Ainsworth

Sunday: December 15th

9:00am - For the People of Our Parish

10:30am - †Antonio and Ika Mrkic

12:00pm - In Thanksgiving ~

Sebastina Preetam Family



ADVENT WEEK OF CONFESSIONS

Week of December 17th - 21st, 2019

Parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto will have the Sacrament of Reconciliation available during the week of December 17th - 21st, 2019. Please consult the Archdiocese website for the locations and confessional times.

**Confessions at Our Lady of the Airways Parish
will be on Thursday, Dec. 19th:**

8:30am to 12noon, 3:00pm to 6:00pm and 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Confessions will also be available at our neighbouring parishes as follows:

St. John Fisher Parish - Tuesday, Dec 17th from 7pm to 9pm

St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish - Wednesday, Dec. 18th from 8am to 8pm

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

Wednesday, Dec. 18th from 10am to 12pm (Noon) and 6pm to 7:30pm

St. Patrick Parish

Wednesday, Dec. 18th from 6pm to 9pm

Saturday, Dec. 21st from 3pm to 5pm

Tuesday, Dec. 24th from 10am to 12pm noon

St. Anthony of Padua Parish - Monday, Dec. 23th 7pm to 9pm

Eucharistic Adoration



Our parish has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Friday from 8:30am to 7pm. Can you spare a few moments from your busy schedule to come and spend some time before Jesus in prayer and adoration?

Weekly Offertory



Last Week's Collection:

\$4,154.25

Building Fund:

\$4,111.35

Thank You For Your Generosity



Compelled by visions of God's kingdom, Isaiah and John the Baptist build up and tear down.

Isaiah envisions God's peaceable kingdom, where "they will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain." He waits for the Messiah, the "shoot...

from the stump of Jesse," who will bring righteousness and justice. His people, mired in sorrow and despair, have stopped waiting for God's kingdom. He builds them up, offering hope.

The Baptist is "preparing the way" for Jesus the Messiah. His people, mired in greed and exploitation, have stopped waiting for God's kingdom. John warns: change your ways... find the right path, bear good fruit - now!

Prophets do what's necessary, so others can see reality. For John and Isaiah, God's kingdom is a compelling reality, their goal and guide. They are connected to that kingdom and long for its fullness.

We celebrate the in-breaking of God's kingdom in Jesus. How slowly that kingdom comes to fullness! But the vision is strong and compelling, as it was for Isaiah and John: God's reign of peace, justice, and healing.

We experience it in our midst and long for its fullness. Graced by the Spirit, fed by the Eucharist, we proclaim it and practise it... living in hope, love, peace, and justice. The many glimpses and tastes of God's kingdom draw us in and send us forth to share this vision with others.

~Dinah Simmons, Living With Christ

Abramo concepì Isacco per la fede nella promessa di Dio "e divenne padre di molti popoli" (cf. Rm 4,18-22). Ugualmente Maria concepì Gesù per mezzo della fede. La concezione verginale di Gesù fu opera dello Spirito Santo, ma per mezzo della fede di Maria. È sempre Dio che opera, ma attraverso la collaborazione dell'uomo. Credere, infatti, è rispondere con fiducia alla parola di Dio, accogliere i suoi piani come se fossero propri e sottomettersi in obbedienza alla sua volontà per collaborarvi. La fede vuole sempre: 1) la fiducia in Dio e 2) la professione di ciò che si crede, poiché "con il cuore si crede per ottenere la giustizia e con la bocca si fa la professione di fede per avere la salvezza" (Rm 10,10). Una volta riconosciuta vera la parola di Dio, Maria credette alla concezione verginale di Gesù e credette pure alla volontà di Dio di salvare gli uomini peccatori, la volle e aderì a quel piano lasciandosi coinvolgere: "Eccomi, sono la serva del Signore, avvenga di me quello che hai detto" (Lc 1,38). Dalla sua fede quindi nacque Gesù e pure la Chiesa. Perciò, insieme ad Elisabetta che esclamò: "Beata colei che ha creduto all'adempimento delle parole del Signore" (Lc 1,45), ogni generazione oggi la proclama beata (cf. Lc 1,48).

La Chiesa ha il compito di continuare nel mondo la missione materna di Maria, quella di comunicare il Salvatore al mondo. Il cristiano di oggi deve fare proprio il piano di Dio "il quale vuole che tutti gli uomini siano salvati" (1Tm 2,4), proclamando la propria salvezza e lasciandosi attivamente coinvolgere nel portare la salvezza al prossimo, poiché "in questo è glorificato il Padre mio: che portiate molto frutto e diventiate miei discepoli (Gv 15,8).



OLA Christmas For the Needy

The St. Vincent de Paul Society invites you to remember the poor through your generous gifts of non-perishable food.

Donations can be dropped off in the SVDP Food Bin between now and December 13th.

Most urgent needs include: peanut butter and jam, Kraft Dinner, canned tuna, corned beef, canned peaches or pears, Beefaroni, pasta sauce, cookies and snack bars for school lunches.

Cash donations to the poor box are gratefully appreciated.

No clothing or outdated food.

Thank you and God bless you!

BUNDLE UP!

For the Society of St. Vincent de Paul



We are collecting your donations of clothing at

Our Lady of the Airways Church on:

December 14th/15th.

A truck will pick up all the clothing on the said dates only. Please note: **NO baby furniture.**

We will only accept clothing on the given dates.

Please **DO NOT** drop any clothing in the church or near the garage at any time.

For more information visit: www.ssvptoronto.ca

Thank you for your support!



Are you in grade 5, 6, 7, or 8?

All students in **grade 5 - 8** are welcome to our next EDGE Night on **Friday, January 10th**, from 7pm - 9pm.

EDGE Registration Fee: \$25

September 2019 to June 2020 Session

(EDGE t-shirt included with registration)

Registration forms available in the church foyer.

For registration info, please contact 905-677-4615 or email: OLAYouthministry@hotmail.com

Calling all **"OLA Teens"** in grades 9 - 12!

Are you looking for service hour opportunities?

Teens in need of volunteer hours for

High School graduation are asked to email

OLAYouthministry@hotmail.com to get on the list

for **Parish Service Projects and Youth Events**

which will require volunteers.

Follow us on Instagram: [ourladyairwaysyouth](https://www.instagram.com/ourladyairwaysyouth)

OLA Young Adults

Programs and Events for ages 19 - 39.

Follow us on Twitter: [@Airways_YA](https://twitter.com/Airways_YA)