

# THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

## PASTOR'S CORNER



### CHRISTMAS BLESSING

May the love of the newborn Christ surround you with the warmth of his affection  
and release in you compassion and care for others.

May the joy of the Holy Family enrich you in your travelling through life  
and in your discoveries of the beauty of this world.

May the hope of the Baby of Bethlehem direct you on the right path of life  
in your struggles and in your complacency.

May the peace of the small Prince empower you in all your longings  
for what is beautiful, good and true.

And may this blessing of God Almighty remain with you and your loved ones  
throughout this Christmastime and forevermore.

Amen.

**YOUR HEALTH :** As cold and flu season approaches, to ensure the health of the entire community, parishioners are encouraged to stay home from Mass and parish functions if they are experiencing symptoms of the flu virus, colds, etc. Respect and concern for the common good takes precedence. Thank you for your cooperation! To minimize risks please use the hand sanitizers that are located at each entrance!

### ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS—Reception of Holy Communion

It has come to my attention that some people, receiving on the hand, carry the Sacred Host back to their seats. This is forbidden. Please be sure to consume Jesus, truly present in the Sacred Host, right after you receive Him. You must consume the Host in the front of the church, right after receiving. There are people who wish to steal consecrated Hosts for the sake of rituals. If you see anyone walking away without having consumed the Sacred Host please alert one of the Ushers, the Sacristan—Anthony or Fr. Slawek.

# DECEMBER 25, 2022



## Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

We visit single mothers – We visit the elderly – We visit the working poor as well as those on social assistance or disability allowance -- We visit those who have suddenly fallen on hard financial times as well as those struggling over a longer period -- We visit people of any faith or race -- Quite simply, we visit anyone who is in need and request our assistance.

Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass.

### **A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men.**

Friday, January 27 to Sunday, January 29, 2023  
7 p.m. - 1 p.m.

As faithful, we are aware of the universal call to holiness. All Christians in any state or walk of life, are called to holiness. On this retreat we consider our own wholeness as we approach this call. Am I complete and harmonious within myself?

or am I somehow divided or lacking or even broken? Through praying with scripture and through entering into silence we begin to see the person whom God sees, and the person God desires us to be—the person God calls to holiness.

Facilitated by Fr. Jim Kelly, SJ. A  
Suggested offering of \$245 per person.  
Includes 2 nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre  
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering  
REGISTER: <https://manresa-canada.ca/>  
CONTACT: [registration@manresa.ca](mailto:registration@manresa.ca)

## **MASS INTENTIONS**



### **Tuesday, December 27**

9 a.m. Intentions of Anthony & Chandi Amarasingha on their 30th Wedding Anniversary.

### **Wednesday, December 28**

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Silvestro De Laurentiis req. by the De Laurentiis family.

### **Thursday, December 29**

9 a.m. Private Intentions

### **Friday, December 30**

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Dolores Tubongbanua req. by the Tubongbanua family.

### **Saturday, December 31**

6 p.m. NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

### **Sunday, January 1**

9 a.m. NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS.

11 a.m. NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS.

## **HOLY SPIRIT PARISH OFFERING DECEMBER**

### **DECEMBER 4, 2022**

Regular Envelope Offering \$ 6715.80  
Flower Offering \$ 1,040.00

### **DECEMBER 11, 2022**

Regular Envelope Offering \$ 4,090.00  
Building Fund Offering \$ 1,332.00  
Flower Offering \$ 80.00  
Advent Retreat \$ 919.00

*Thank you for your continued generosity*

May God hold you in  
the PALM of  
His HAND.



### **ARE YOU MOVING? OR HAVE YOU ALREADY MOVED?**

Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated. Thank you.

### **SUNDAY MISSAL**

Are available for purchase from the parish office. Cost \$ 6.00

Monday -Thursday  
8:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

Limited quantity available

### **CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2023 & support the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

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