

Offertory Envelopes for 2024

2024 offertory envelopes are available at the back of the Churches. Please select any box (it doesn't have to be the same offertory box number as 2023). In January, please include your name and address on the first four donations to ensure the new number is assigned to you in the system.



St. Vincent de Paul

You can make a difference and help our neighbours in need by donating to our society at St. James. Donations can be made using envelopes at the back of the Churches, or by going online at www.ssvp.ca. Please follow the prompts to direct the donation to the St. James Conference in Tottenham. Donations of \$20 or more will be given a tax receipt. Your donation will go towards temporary assistance for those in crisis situations. Should you or someone you know need our support, please leave a voicemail at 905-936-4266 ext. 5. The phone line is confidential and your call will be returned within two days.

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Archbishop Francis Leo – February 11, 2024 at 3:00 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries. The Mass will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Couples celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating (please do so early since seating is limited). All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. The Mass will also be livestreamed. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. For questions, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

3rd Sunday of Advent

The Parish Community of

St. James, St. Francis Xavier and St. Mary's

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Mass Times

Monday 7:00 pm (St. James)
Tuesday 9:30 am (St. Francis)
Wednesday 9:30 am (St. Francis)
Friday 7:00 pm (St. James)
Saturday 10:30 am & 5:30 pm (St. James)
Sunday 8:30 am (St. Mary's) & 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (St. Francis)

Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 2:00 - 5:00 pm
Email: stjamesco@archtoronto.org
Phone: 905-936-4266
Website: www.stjamesco.archtoronto.org
Email the office if you would like a digital copy of the bulletin
Sign up at the office for the code to St Francis Xavier for access to Adoration
Confessions: Saturday 4:30 pm—5:15 pm at St. James
Parish Priest: Fr. Eric Mah

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, Dec. 18 at 7:00 pm	For the intentions of Daniel Kostelski
Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 9:30 am	For the intentions of Nicola Johnson
Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 9:30 am	For the people of God and vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	Donta and Filippo Falcone + and Ida and Angelo Del Bianco +
	Al Van Hezewyk +
	Domenica Inserra +
Friday, Dec. 22 at 7:00 pm	Available for Mass intention—contact the Church office
	For the people of God and vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	Fr. Patrick Fitzpatrick +
	Fr. William Irwin +
	Fr. John Szkodzinski +
	Colleen Lanigan +
	Available for Mass intention—contact the Church office
	Danny O'Kane +
Saturday, Dec. 23 at 10:30 am	For the people of God
Saturday, Dec. 23 at 5:30 pm	For the people of God
Sunday, Dec. 24 at 8:30 am	Irena and John Popielarski +
Sunday, Dec. 24 at 10:00 am	Frank Haley +
Sunday, Dec. 24 at 11:30 am	For the intentions of the Kennelly, Feholey, and Almeida families
Sunday, Dec. 24 at 5:30 pm	For the intentions of the Deschamps and Werner families
Sunday, Dec. 24 at 7:30 pm	



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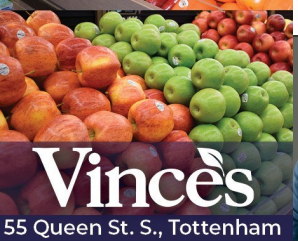

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St. James Eucharistic Community

Christmas Schedule

REGULAR WEEKEND MASSES

Sat. Dec. 23 - 10:30 am and 5:30 pm (St. James)

Sun. Dec. 24 - 8:30 am (St. Mary's), 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (SFX)

Sat. Dec. 30 - 10:30 am and 5:30 pm (St. James)

Sun. Dec. 31 - 8:30 am (St. Mary's), 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (SFX)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE (ALL HELD AT ST. JAMES)

Tues. Dec. 12 - Day of Confessions - 10:30 am to noon, 1 pm to 6 pm, 7 pm to 9 pm

Sat. Dec. 23 & 30 - Confessions from 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm

Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1 - No confessions before Masses

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Sun. Dec. 24 - 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm (St. James)

Mon. Dec. 25 - 8:30 am (St. Mary's), 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (SFX)

MARY MOTHER OF GOD MASSES

Sun. Dec. 31 - 5:30 pm (St. James)

Mon. Jan. 1 - 8:30 am (St. Mary's), 10:00 am (St. James) & 11:30 am (SFX)

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM DEC. 25 THROUGH JAN. 2.
OUR ADORATION CHAPEL WILL REMAIN OPEN WITH CODE.

CHRISTMAS DAY & MARY MOTHER OF GOD ARE HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
IN ADDITION TO THE USUAL OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS.

ST. JAMES PARISH (2118 Adjala Tecumseth Townline, Colgan)

ST. MARY'S PARISH (2458 Concession Road 4, Achill)

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER (72 Queen St. North, Tottenham)



ShareLife: Make a matching gift to support mental health

NEW: Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until December 31, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched up to \$500,000.

Your support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need. Last year, ShareLife supporters like you enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate.

Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service

Join Archbishop Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

Date: Sunday, January 21, 2024, at 4 pm

Venue: St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral (455 Ferrier St., Markham, ON. L3R 5Z2)

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27)



We're hosting a parish Christmas party and mini Theology on Tap on Thursday, December 21st! All are welcome to join! It'll be at 7 pm at Feebs Pub and Grill in Tottenham - and there will be free food! Hope to see you there!

Friars Student Writing Contest 2024

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27).

High school students in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from Jan. 18- 25. Write a 500-word essay that explores the 2024 theme. Students are to consult the resources at <https://rb.gy/wajo9> for info on the meaning of the theme and address the focus question on the poster (at the back of the Churches) and submit their entries at catholicregister.org/writingaward by Jan. 15, 2024. Great prizes await the top three submissions.

Contact: ecumenical@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.

Simcoe Manor Update

Simcoe Manor Mass canceled the Mass this past Wednesday due to the ongoing outbreak. The next Mass at the Manor is scheduled for Wed. Jan. 17, 2024. If you would like to assist with the Mass, please contact the parish office.

Praying for the Sick

If you or a family member is sick, please let the office know and we will add their name to the prayers of the faithful.

Please pray especially for Ana Paula Rodrigues, Moira Molony, Victoria Reid, Kevin Latimer, Chiu Wong, Denise Poffley, Tom Kennelly, Caitlyn Gannon, Elena and Christina Burke, Anna Lombardi, and Eleanor Spurling.

We remember in prayer those who have passed away recently, including, Kathryn "Kaye" Groen, Danny O'Kane, Jordelina Toste, Leonor Martins, Fire Chief Ian Laing, Fr. Patrick Fitzpatrick, Fr. John Szkodzinski, and Fr. William Irwin.



Knights of Columbus Food Drive

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all parishioners who have donated so far to this year's Food Drive. So far we have collected just over 500 pounds of dry goods. We have extended the drive until the end of the month to give parishioners an opportunity to help us reach our goal of 1000 pounds. We thank you in advance for your generosity!