

St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

December 12, 2021

Saturday December 11:

5:00 pm: In Thanksgiving of Dometita Family

+ Sebastiao Braganza

+ Fernando Milelo

+ Rose & John Mihelick

+ Annamary Bastiampillai

+ Kennely Edwin John

+ Leia Satheeskumar

Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday December 12:

9:00 am: In Thanksgiving of Ali and
Cherry Canlas

10:30 am: + Aloysius Kar On Leung

12:00 pm: Pro-Populo

Monday December 13:

9:00 am: + Ben Dante Mino and Marie
Colombe Mino

Tuesday December 14:

9:00 am: + Maria & Rafael Atizado

Wednesday December 15:

7:30 pm: + Noel Geniza

Thursday December 16:

9:00 am: + Fr. Peter Bretaudeau

Friday December 17:

9:30 am: Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm: + Maria & Rafael Atizado

Saturday December 18:

9:00 am: Celebrant's Intention



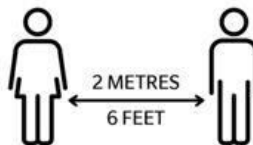
Register for Mass

Pre-registration for Sunday Masses

Due to the need for social distancing our church capacity is limited. For Sunday Masses you need to pre-register. **Online registrations begin Tuesday morning at 6:00 am for the coming Sunday Masses.** Pre-registration for the Hall will only begin once almost all the spaces are filled for the Church. For Weekday Masses, just show up and sign in when you arrive. If for some reason you can't make it for the Sunday Mass you signed up for, please be considerate enough to indicate the change, and make your spot available for others. Instructions are provided on the website on how to do this. **You can only sign up for yourself and your immediate family living with you.**



Donations to be placed into the large wooden box on your way in.



Please continue to practice all safety protocols including the wearing of face masks.



Confessions

Confessions will be heard in Fr. Steven's Office roughly 20 minutes before each Mass; as well as Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:55 pm. ***Please note that confessions end 5 minutes before Mass is to begin.*** Fr. Steven will sanitize the kneeler after each penitent.

FYI: Below is a graphic of Advent Confessions in Scarborough

Tuesday Dec. 14	Wednesday Dec. 15	Thursday Dec. 16	Friday Dec. 17
<u>Our lady of Rosary</u> 7:30pm	<u>Epiphany</u> 6:30am – 7:30am 9am – 12pm 5pm – 6:45pm	<u>St. Barnabas</u> 10am – 5pm 7pm – 9pm	<u>St. Joseph</u> 10am – 2pm
<u>St. Aidan</u> 7pm – 9pm	<u>St. Martin de Porres</u> 6pm – 7:30pm		
<u>Immaculate Heart</u> 11am – 12pm 1pm – 2pm 6pm – 7pm (English & Tamil)	<u>St. Thomas More</u> 7:30pm (English)		<u>St. Thomas More</u> 7:30pm (Spanish)
<u>Our lady of Fatima</u> 9am – 10am	<u>Our Lady of Fatima</u> 6pm – 7pm	<u>Our Lady of Fatima</u> 9am – 10am	
<u>St. Bartholomew</u> 9am – 5pm	<u>St. Bartholomew</u> 9am – 12pm	<u>St. Bartholomew</u> 9am – 12pm	<u>St. Bartholomew</u> 9am – 5pm

Monday Dec. 20	Tuesday Dec. 21	Wednesday Dec. 22	Thursday Dec. 23
<u>Prince of Peace</u> 6pm – 9pm (mass at 7pm)	<u>Prince of Peace</u> 9am – 11:30am	<u>Prince of Peace</u> 9am – 11:30am	<u>Prince of Peace</u> 6pm – 9pm
<u>St. Joseph</u> 7pm – 9pm			

<u>St. Boniface</u> Every Wednesday and Friday After 7:30pm Mass

<u>Our Lady Queen of Poland</u> Monday – Friday 6pm – 6:45pm Saturday 4pm – 4:45pm 6pm – 6:45pm

<u>St. Rose of Lima</u> 30 minutes before all masses



Children's Christmas Liturgy

St. Aidan Parish will have a **Christmas Liturgy for Children ages 4 to 8 on Sunday December 19 at the 10:30 am Mass.** The program is approximately 20 minutes, after which the children return to their parents to join the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The children will receive a small Christmas gift. **Parents are asked to pre-register their children this weekend in the foyer during weekend Masses on December 11-12.**



Hiring a Lay Pastoral Assistant

St. Aidan's is in the process of looking for a **Lay Pastoral Assistant to help with Sacramental Preparation, Parish Educational Initiatives with a focus on Youth Ministry.** Applications can be sent to the parish email: staidanssc@archtoronto.org. **Deadline for applications is January 7th.** See our parish website for more information.

Confessions, Christmas and New Year's Schedules (2021/2022)

Catholics are required to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Christmas and New Year's are Holy Days of Obligation. Attending one of the Christmas Eve Masses, on the 24th, fulfills your obligation for Christmas. Attending the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass of New Year's, on December 31st, fulfills your obligation for New Year's. Note that for those who have valid reasons for not coming to Mass, the dispensation from Cardinal Collins is still in effect. You will need to pre-register online for these obligation Masses and for the Sunday Masses. Registration will begin on Tuesday for Christmas, New Year's and the Sundays immediately after these days.



Tuesday December 14 - Confessions 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm



Friday December 24 - Christmas Eve

6:00 am Simbang Gabi Mass (last of 9-day Novena)
9:30 am Regular Mass
6:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
8:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
12:00 Midnight Mass

Saturday December 25 - Christmas Day

9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

Note that there is no evening 5:00 pm Mass!

Sunday December 26 - Regular Sunday Masses

9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon



Friday December 31 - New Year's Eve

9:30 am Regular Mass
5:00 pm Evening Mass

Note that there is no evening 7:30 pm Mass!

Saturday January 1, 2022 - New Year's Day

9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

Note that there is no evening 5:00 pm Mass!

Sunday January 2 - Regular Sunday Masses

9:00 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon

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Parish Confessions Tuesday December 14

We will have three priests available for confession on Tuesday December 14th, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm inside St. Aidan's Church.

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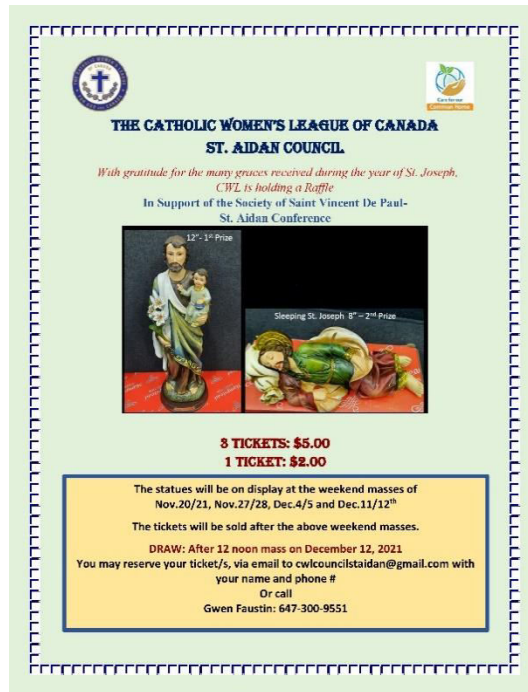
Simbang Gabi Novena of Masses - December 16-24

The Filipino community of St. Aidan's Parish would like to invite everyone to embrace their "**beautiful gift**" of **Simbang Gabi**. This is a Filipino Christmas tradition; a series of nine dawn Masses on the days leading up to Christmas, **from December 16th to December 24th**. The tradition goes back to colonial times, during Spanish rule, when Catholic priests started offering Mass very early in the morning so that farmers could attend morning Mass and still be at work before sunrise. Join us in preparing for the birth of Our Lord through this novena of prayer and sacrifice by participating in the ***nine Simbang Gabi Masses from December 16-24 at 6:00 am, at St. Aidan's church.*** After each 6:00 am Mass, a reception of coffee/tea and traditional Filipino foods will be available to eat or bring home. Everyone is welcome. **Note that you will need to pre-register online for these Masses.** Registration is accessible at this time.



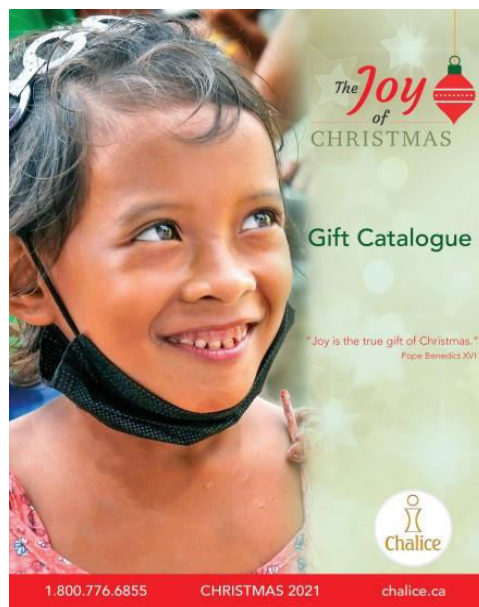
Simbang Gabi Christmas Lantern (Parol) Making Contest

The Star of Bethlehem is one of the symbols of Christmas. The brilliant star of unusual brightness led the three wise men from far-away lands to undertake the arduous journey and follow the star which eventually led them to the Infant Saviour. To remember this special star, the organizers of the ***Simbang Gabi Novena of Masses*** are inviting families to join the **Christmas Star Lantern (Parol) Making Contest.** **Your star will need to be submitted between December 1st to December 16th.** We will try to provide the wooden sticks used to make the stars should you need them. Families are encouraged to be creative in decorating their own lanterns. The lanterns will be hung in the Parish Hall and can be brought home after Christmas day. Three prizes will be awarded for the best lanterns.



Raffling off two St. Joseph Statues on December 12

A **Raffle of two St. Joseph Statues** will be conducted by the **Catholic Women's Group** of our parish. **Tickets are one for \$2, or three tickets for \$5.** Tickets can be purchased after all Sunday Masses. **The draw will take place this Sunday December 12th after the 12 noon Mass.** All proceeds will be in support of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society-St. Aidan's Conference.



Chalice Gift Catalogue; to Help Needy Children in Poor Countries

One of our parishioners will be handing out a **Chalice** gift catalogue page to introduce you to this wonderful way of helping very needy children in third world countries. For more information visit: <https://chalice.ca/gift-catalogue>; or call Patricia at: **416-895-4621**. Thanks for supporting **Chalice** and the gift catalogue.

St. Aidan's Social Committee
Invites You to Participate in Our Christmas Season of Giving



Angel Tree Program

Become a Sponsor!

**Drop your gift at St. Aidan by
December 19th, 2021**



The Angel Tree Program provides new toys and clothing for children and families of the Rosalie Hall through the support of Individuals like you. The Angels on the Tree are from the Wish List we received to purchase gifts for our Angels for Christmas.

Please adopt an angel by selecting an "Angel" from our 'Christmas Tree', purchase a gift for them and drop the gift with the "Angel" in the box located in the church foyer. We will deliver the gifts to "Rosalie Hall" just in time for Christmas.

The individuals on our list specified things they need/want for Christmas. If you prefer to simply make a cash donation, kindly drop it in the box along with the "Angel". We will do the shopping for you!



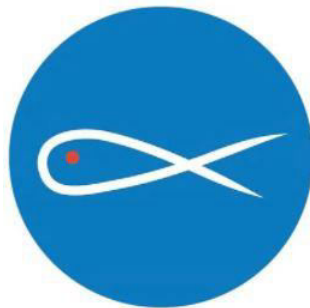
Social Committee Charity Initiative

The Social Committee of our parish has put up an Angel Tree in the foyer. On the tree there are Angel tags with age and items that are required by that particular child. **Feel free to take an Angel or two or three and bring the items requested along with the Angel tag before December 19 and place it in the box located in the foyer.** The items collected will be donated to Rosalie Hall who are in desperate need. They are also in need of items for the young mothers. For more information, please see the flyer. If you prefer to simply make a cash donation, kindly drop it in the box along with the "Angel".



Christmas Nativity Stamps

Every year **Christmas Nativity Stamps** are available for purchase from **Canada Post**. ***This is due to The Catholic Women's League of Canada.*** At their 85th annual National Convention in 2005 they urged Canada Post to include a Nativity-related theme in future Christmas stamps. As Catholics we are very privileged to have these annual religious stamps produced by Canada Post, however, this tradition must be supported by us in order for it to continue. Unfortunately, if you just ask for stamps, you will not be given these stamps, instead it will be stamps of Santa's Elves or something else. **Please ask for the Nativity Stamps.** **The 2021 stamp honours the angels that played a central role in the Nativity story according to the Gospel of Luke.**



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"Mankind is a great, an immense family.....This is proved by what we feel in our hearts at Christmas" - St. Pope John XXIII.

We thank God for all His wonderful blessings! In turn, we are inspired to give to our brothers and sisters in need. Please use the SVP Christmas donation envelopes kept at the entrance of the Church.

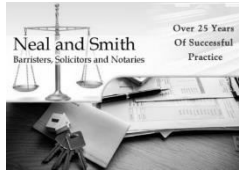
Thank you for your contribution to the **POOR BOX**, and also to all those who contributed to the **Bundle-up Weekend**. May God bless you and your family.

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Visit our website at: kofc11332.org



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General: **4th Thursdays**

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