



Sunday, December 22, 2024

4th Sunday of Advent

"Restore us, O God; let your face shine,
that we may be saved.

Psalm 80

Mass for Intentions Week

Monday, December 23, 2024

8:00 am John & Zumira Cabral

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

8:00 am Francesco Selvaggio & Luca Longo e
defunti

Christmas Eve Masses/Vigilia di Natale

5:00 pm English (Inglese)

9:00 pm English/Italian (Inglese/Italiano)

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 - CHRISTMAS

9:00 am English

10:30 am Italian

12:00 pm English

Thursday, December 26, 2024

9:00 am Chiara Malfara

Friday, December 27, 2024

8:00 am Giuseppe Gismondi

Saturday, December 28, 2024

9:00 am Intention of the presider

5:00 pm Olivo & Irene Campeotto & deceased

Sunday, December 29, 2024

9:00 am Pro Popolo

10:30 am Filippina, Antonio & Rocca Pecchia e
defunti

Nicola Corvinelli e defunti
Antonio & Maria Pietroniro
Pasquale Gabriele

Angelo Nicolazzo e defunti

Rino & Fiorenzo Zanatta

Loredana Teti

Alfonso Liuzzi

Nella Felice e defunti famiglia

12:00 pm Dionigi Verrilli

SUNDAY OFFERING



Sunday, December 15.....\$ 4,430.70

Chancery loan (balance owing).....\$ 120,135.00

Thank you for your continued support !

BUSTE PER LE DONAZIONI 2025



Vi ricordiamo che le buste per le
donazioni per il 2025 sono disponibile per
il ritiro nella sala parrocchiale.

Domenica, 22 Dicembre, 2024

IV Domenica di Avvento

"Signore, fa' splendere il tuo volto e noi saremo salvi."

Salmo 79



Buon Natale !

Noi Sacerdoti auguriamo a tutti i
Parrocchiani, un **BUON NATALE**. Che
Gesù rivarsi nei vostri cuori, e nelle vostre famiglie, il
grande dono della **PACE**, della sua **PACE**, che il
mondo non può dare. E ci auguriamo che tutti i
Parrocchiani accolgano la **SALVEZZA**, che Gesù vuol
dare, cioè tutti i battezzati siano figli di Dio, della Luce
e dell'Amore, quali membri della Famiglia di S. Rocco.
Nostro grande desiderio è quello di essere insieme,
ogni Domenica, giorno del Signore, nella Casa del
Signore.

MESSE DI NATALE

VIGILIA DI NATALE

5:00 pm Messa in Inglese

9:00 pm Messa di mezzanotte

(In Inglese & Italiano)

GIORNATA DI NATALE

9:00 am Inglese

10:30 am Italiano

12:00 pm Inglese



DONAZIONI PER L'ANNO 2024

Si prega di notare che tutte le donazioni per Anno
2024 devono essere ricevute prima del 29 dicembre,
2024 per poter beneficiare di una ricevuta per
l'income tax per Anno 2024. Eventuali donazioni
ricevute nel gennaio 2025, verranno accreditate
all'anno 2025. Le ricevute fiscali per l'anno 2024
saranno spedite ai parrocchiani alla fine di febbraio.
Ringraziamo tutti per il loro continuo sostegno alla
parrocchia.



VEGLIONE DI CAPODANNO

31 Dicembre nella nostra

Sala Parrocchiale

Diamo il benvenuto all'anno nuovo, tutti insieme al
nostro veglione. Inizio ore 7:00 pm. Cena completa
con brindisi di mezzanotte con champagna, musica
con DJ fino alle ore piccole. **Prezzo:**
\$90.00/persona. (\$70.00 per bambini sotto di 12
anni). **Per biglietti, chiamate Antonietta Capuani**
al 416-745-3657, Rosetta Sampogna al 905-856-
6353 oppure Elia Salerno al 647-342-1541.
NOTATE: BIGLIETTI SONO DISPONIBILE FINO AL
27 DICEMBRE, 2024.

MAKING ROOM FOR JESUS



As Christmas fast approaches and Advent is drawing to a close, let us remind ourselves of the importance of this liturgical season. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas as well as His final coming at the end of time. The great saints of the church speak of an intermediary coming

of Christ, the coming of Christ to our present lives. Let us take a moment to ask ourselves, if the Lord showed up in our life today, would there be room for Him? As stewards, we often face the temptation to let our works of charity become a life of volunteering instead of a spirituality of service. Our many works may begin to take precedence over our relationship with Christ, which should always remain as the source of our stewardship. This Advent, as we are waiting for Christ, Christ is also waiting for us. Jesus says in the Book of Revelation, "Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you" (Revelation 3:20). He is waiting for us to open the door and let him in.

We can let him into our lives as stewards by realizing it is not ourselves ministering to our neighbour, but the love and presence of Christ within us. St. Teresa of Calcutta says it best when she proclaims that, "it is Christmas every time you let God love others through you. Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at someone and offer them your hand." St. Teresa of Calcutta fully embodies the spirit of stewardship that makes room for Christ to love others through her. **Let us strive to let Jesus into our lives as we approach Christmas.** For more reflections on stewardship, visit www.archtoronto.org/stewardship



Fr. Jerome and Fr. William, together with The Missionaries of the Precious Blood, wish you all a Happy and Holy Christmas. Peace, joy and blessings to you all this season.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm English
9:00 pm English/Italian



CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 am English
10:30 am Italian
12:00 noon English



NEW YEAR'S EVE: 5:00 pm Mass in English

NEW YEAR'S DAY: 9:00 am Mass in Italian
11:00 am Mass in English



A big thank you to all who volunteered their time to help make Advent and Christmas special for all of us---Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Ushers, Altar Decorating

Committee for the altar and the outside planters, and to those individuals who put up the lights and nativity scene outside. We also thank the Knights of Columbus for their donation to the Children's Christmas Party held last month together with all those who volunteered to make Christmas extra special for the children **May God continue to bless you and your families.**

BOXING DAY - DECEMBER 26, 2024

Note that on this day, we will have Mass in the morning at 9:00 am (instead of the usual 8:00 am). Chapel and parish office will be closed.

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA

St. Roch Parish Hall



Doors open at 6:30 pm. Five course dinner (including two bottles of wine per table) begins at 7:00 pm. Champagne Toast at midnight. Our DJ to provide musical entertainment into the early hours of the new year! **Cost: \$90.00/person** (Children under 12 years of age: \$70.00). For tickets, please call either Antonietta Capuani at 416-745-3657, Rosetta Sampogna at 905-856-6353 or Elia Salerno at 647-342-1541. **Hope to see you there! NOTE: Tickets will be available until December 27, 2024.**

DONATION ENVELOPES FOR 2025



Please note that donation envelopes for 2025 are still available for pick up in the meeting room next to the parish hall. **If you encounter any problems or are not currently using envelopes and wish to do so, please contact our parish office at 416-749-0328 or via email at strochsw@archtoronto.org.**

DONATIONS FOR 2024

Please note that all donations to be credited for Year 2024 and tax receipt issued must be received by no later than December 29, 2024. Any donations received in January 2025 cannot be applied towards the 2024 Taxation year. They will be put towards Year 2025. Tax receipts for Year 2024 will be mailed out to parishioners mid - late February. **We thank everyone for their continued support of our parish.**