## PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH 1737 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario M1R 2X7 PHONE: 416-751-2661 | FAX: 416-751-2662 www.preciousblood.ca | email: office@preciousblood.ca





## **OFFICE HOURS**

Saturdays	12:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Sundays	8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Monday to Friday	Closed

## CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays	6:00 pm to 6:45 pm
Saturday	at 4:00 pm
First Friday	at 6:00 pm
Or by appointment	

Holy Rosary ......Mon. to Sat. 7:30 am

St. Joseph Devotion ...... Sat. 8:00 am St. Pio of Pietrelcina..... Fri. 8:00 am

Precious Blood/ Holy Hour..... Wed 6:00 pm

## MASS TIMES

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	.8:30 am, 10 am &12 noon

PASTORAL TEAM Pastor: Fr. Xavier De Pinto

Deacon: Kevin Daudlin

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,	
Friday & Saturday	8:00 am
Wednesday	7:00 pm

1st Friday ......8:00 am & 7:00 pm

## **DEVOTIONS**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help.......Wed. 7:00 pm

First Friday.....all day Adoration, Healing Prayer & Anointing of the Sick from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

### **BAPTISM, MARRIAGE AND** SACRAMENT OF THE SICK **CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE** 416 751 2661

## **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

Precious Blood	416-393-5258
St. Kevin	416-393-5300
St. Catherine	416-393-5316

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME - PLEASE REGISTER AT THE CHURCH OFFICE

The church needs your help to continue its' work of evangelization. Pre-Authorized Giving is now available! For more information or to register, please come to the church office.





#### ANGELS AMONG US

During Advent we have a **small cut- out of angels** available near the Christmas Tree. You can write your messages or the names of your loved living and loved deceased relatives and friends on the angels and then place them on the Christmas Tree by the side of the **Lectern**.

This will be our prayer and a reminder that those who have gone before us remain part of our Christian family.

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE 2024 YOUTH AWARDS CONTEST

Apply on or before February 16, 2024

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) Precious Blood Council invites you to participate in the **2023 Youth Awards Contests** sponsored by CWL Toronto Diocesan Council.



## 1. Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay and Poetry Contest

#### Deadline of application: February 16, 2024

This contest supports and encourages an awareness and positive attitude towards a broad range of pro-life issues from stages of conceptions, through childhood, adolescence, adulthood and senior years, to the new life stage after death.

#### **Eligibility:**

a. Intermediate level - Grades 7, 8 & 9 b. Senior level - Grades 10, 11 & 12

#### 2. Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest (Prepared Speech and Impromptu Speech) Deadline of application: February 16, 2024

Eligibility: Grade 7 and 8 students

#### 3. Jean McCann Youth Service Award Deadline of application: February 16, 2024

This award is a tribute to Jean McCann, an inspirational CWL Life Member and recognizes and affirms the role played in our Parishes by or confirmed Catholic youth through service to others.

#### Eligibility: Youth ages 15 to 18

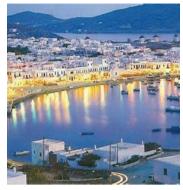
Please email Education and Health Chair, Cynthia Sadac at <u>cgsadac@gmail.com</u> who shall be glad to assist you in your application.

#### WONDERS OF GREECE & TURKEY

July 22 to August 1, 2024

Join Fr. Xavier, celebrating his 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination, in visiting enchanted places in Greece and Turkey.

This journey will take you to places we hear about in our Bible readings, like the island of Patmos, where the Apostle John recorded the Book of



Revelation, or the city of Corinth, visited by St. Paul 2000 years ago, and to whose inhabitants the "Letters to Corinthians" were addressed. You will also visit Athens, embark on a cruise ship to visit the breathtaking islands in the Aegean Sea where culture, history, and pristine beaches blend together, and more...

For a complete list of destinations, visit https://www.preciousblood.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2023/11/Greece-Turkey.pdf

To register and for more information please contact:



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#### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS' MASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time
Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve	
Regular Sunday schedule	8:30 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm
Christmas Eve schedule	7:00 pm (Children's Mass), 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm Carols, 11:30 Midnight Mass
Monday, December 25, Christmas	
Regular Sunday schedule	8:30 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm
Sunday, December 31, Feast of the Holy Family	
Regular Sunday schedule	8:30 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm
New Year's Eve Mass	7:00 pm
Monday, January 1, Mary, the Mother of God	
Regular Sunday schedule	8:30 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, December 16 – Saturday, December 23

#### SATURDAY December 16, 2023

8:00am	+ Michele Muia
5:00pm	+ Ingrid Hill (Birthday)

# SUNDAY December 17, 20238:30 amThanksgiving – Platon Family10:00 am+ Emeterio Buhay Sr.12:00 pm+ David Soares

MONDAY December 18, 2023 8:00 am + Norberto Pasia

TUESDAY December 19, 2023 8:00 am Fabia Seguiera

WEDNESDAY December 20, 2023

7:00 pm + Carlo & Giovanna Zuzek + Lise, Andre, and Jean Pierre Ng + Elias Shebaseapillal Thanksgiving for Mother Mary

#### THURSDAY December 21, 2023

- 8:00am + Mr. Joelito Delos Reyes Sr, Mrs. Zenaida Delos Reyes, and Virgilio Alterejos
- FRIDAY December 22, 2023 8:00am + Rose Marie and John Deans

SATURDAY December 23, 2023

8:00am + Eric Louis Arquiza 5:00pm Giovanni and Marianna Salines

#### DONATING SECURITIES TO YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY



A donation of securities is one of the easiest and smartest ways to donate in Canada. When you donate securities to the Archdiocese of Toronto, you put stock in knowing that you are creating the greatest impact on the church and those we serve.

Consider making a gift of securities to your parish or any

one of our archdiocesan charities. With a gift of securities, you can receive an immediate donation receipt for the fair market value of the security. In addition, there is no capital gains tax applied to any benefit received from the sale of these securities. Listed securities include stocks, bonds and mutual funds.

To donate listed securities, you can obtain our form, the letter of direction, by visiting this link: https://bit.ly/GiftofSecurities. For further information, contact the Development Office at: 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519 or <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.



#### **COLLECTION ENVELOPES FOR 2024**

Collection envelopes for 2024 are available for pick up at the back of the church.

#### DID YOU KNOW ...?



The world's largest Christmas Tree is 750 m tall and 450 m wide. It is a light display laid on the side of Mount Ingino near the town of Gubbio in Umbria, Italy. It is made of 1000 multicolored lights connected by about 7.5 km of electrical cable. The tree was built in 1981 by the people of Gubbio.

The display is lit every year between December 7 and January 6. Since 2011 solar panels have been used to cut the power used to light the tree.

The tree is named in the Guinness Book of Records as "The World's Largest Christmas Tree."

#### VATICAN NATIVITY SCENE



The Vatican unveiled its annual Nativity scene paying special tribute to the origins of the beloved tradition on its 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The scene in St. Peter's Square depicts not only Mary and Joseph standing beside the manger but also St. Francis of Assisi, who organized the first Nativity scene in a cave in the Italian village of Greccio on Christmas Eve in 1223.

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