

St. Luke's Parish

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Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M. Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.

Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 9:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.

Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - after mass

First Friday Devotions - after morning mass

First Saturday Mass & Devotions – 8:30 A.M.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after mass & devotions

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. 905-881-2786 Ext 221

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PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE; COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING & PUT IN COLLECTION BASKET

Name Phone.....

Address Postal Code.....

Children & Dates of Births:

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New Parishioner

Envelopes

Change of Address

Moving out of Parish



As we begin the **Season of Advent** and the new liturgical year, the church invites us to be ready and prepared to receive the Lord. Today's gospel speaks of the end of the world and what we refer to as the Second coming. We hear Jesus' reminder to be vigilant and pray, which is loving attentiveness to God.

Prayer nourishes our relationship with the Lord by make us aware of the Divine Presence in our lives. When we pray we delve below the surface happenings of our days and we discover God who dwells in our depths. Advent invites us to make our lives ready for the Lord who is to come.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Soul of Maria Lai Keok Kwee and Stephen Y. L. Chua
Tuesday	Soul of Tom Schmoll Soul of Virginia Gorizzan Soul of Fernando Provenzano Sr. Soul of Brian Lynch Soul of Frances Anne Morrison
Wednesday	Mass of Thanksgiving – Betty D'Sylva
Thursday	Intentions of Brett Fernandes
Friday	Soul of Romulo Tibor

Please pray for the sick in our community.

May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens, especially:

**Elizabeth and Tonya Liversidge,
Chantal Soriano, Wilfredo Soriano, Ann Bozabalian
and Kevin Chu**

PARISH ADVENT EVENTS

CREATE AN ADVENT WREATH WITH YOUR FAMILY! JOIN US IN PREPARING FOR THE ADVENT SEASON!

REGISTER NOW! LIMITED TO 30 FAMILIES!!

Date: Sun Dec 1

Time: 2-4 pm

Location: Parish Hall

Price: \$30 per Family

Includes:

- Greenwire Wreath
- Advent Candles
- Greenery and Materials to decorate your wreath
- Snacks
- Drinks
- Advent Wreath Candle Lighting Prayers
- Blessings of Wreaths

Register at: <https://linktr.ee/stlukesthy> (under the Heading "Advent")

Questions??? Alan Lee Hoy at ahoy@archtoronto.org

ADVENT RETREAT

Join us for our Parish Advent Retreat as we prepare to encounter Emmanuel!

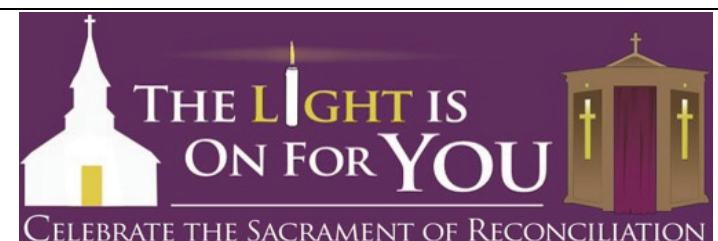
Date: Sat. Dec 15

Time: 9 am - 3 pm

Location: Parish Hall

Questions: kshanthakumar@archtoronto.org

Registration: <https://linktr.ee/stlukesthy>



ADVENT CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation for Advent will be celebrated at the parish on:

Tues. December 10 following the 7:00 pm mass

Wed. December 11 following the 9:00 am mass

**St. Luke's ADVENT CONCERT
SATURDAY DEC 7th - 7:00 PM**



Once again, the choirs of St. Luke's will be ringing in the Christmas season as only music can. Come join us as the 4 choirs (yes the kids are included) of our parish sing both individually and together the delightful songs of the season to help prepare your hearts for the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus. The concert is free but a basket will be available for a free will offering. Light refreshments will follow in the parish hall.



SUNDAY MISSAL

Please contact the parish office if you wish to purchase a Sunday Missal for \$8.00.



Youth Christmas Choir

Students in grades 2-12 are invited to sing in the Youth Choir for the Advent concert and Christmas Eve mass.

Choir practice has started with more information at <https://tinyurl.com/yx6w7243>

SL ShareLife

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Our 2024 parish goal - \$149,000.00

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Tuna Casserole Program

Mathew in Chapter 25 quoted Jesus as having said *"for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink..... whatsoever you do for the least of my brethren, you do for Me"*.

It is in that spirit, we remind you that casseroles are due next weekend. Your generosity helps to feed the homeless and many needy families out of the Good Shepherd Centre in downtown Toronto. If you would like to contribute or donate to this program, please contact Debbie Araujo at 647-884-3744, or Margaret Hanley at 905-881-1837 for further information. Thank you.



**St. Vincent De Paul
Christmas Baskets**

As we prepare to enter the Christmas 2024 season and face the end of another very challenging year for so many, we are reminded of the less fortunate and how we can make a difference in their lives. Specially marked envelopes are available in the narthex and pew pockets for donations to the **St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Basket** program. Your generous donations assist in providing gift cards to needy families in our community, enabling them to participate in this joyous season. Donations will be accepted until Sunday, December 8th with distribution of gift cards to our needy families during that week. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

* Tax receipts will be issued by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul



**Handicraft Holy Land
Christians**

This weekend we welcome a special guest from Sebastien Cardinal's team representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique, hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase in the parish hall.

Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted.

You can visit and support them at:

www.HolylandChristians.ca

**Update
your
Information**



The office is busy preparing our files for year-end and tax receipt time. Have you moved, changed your email address or phone number in the past year? If so, please be sure to provide the parish with your updated information at: stlukesth@archtoronto.org Thank you!

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