



27 NOVEMBER 2016

YOUTH CORNER

*"Come to me . . ." Matthew 11:28*

**OUR EDGE & LIFE TEEN** - *Come - we love to have YOU!* Forms are in the Foyer/Parish office. Yolanda @ [paduayouth@gmail.com](mailto:paduayouth@gmail.com)  
**EDGE Nights:** Fridays, 6:30-8:30 pm (Grades 6-8) Last week, our Edge & St. Anne's Edge greatly enjoyed a social gym night.

**LifeTeen:** Saturdays, 5-9 pm

*Starting with 5pm Mass, then St. Joseph's Room until 9pm.*

**\*\*\* FINAL WEEKEND TO DONATE ITEMS TO OUR BLESSING BAGS FOR THE**

**HOMELESS.** Our Youth will be out distributing to the Homeless on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please help us with this Gift of Kindness. **\*\*\* DONATIONS NEEDED ARE:** toques (Winter hats & gloves), warm socks, scarves, hand/foot warmers, blankets, toothpaste, toothbrushes (w/holder), combs, band aids, lip balm, wet wipes (travel size), feminine products & wrapped candy. The "Blessing Bag" Bin is under the table in the Foyer. *New items can be placed in this bin.*

*Thank You so much!*

**Thank you to!** Our Care Givers treating our **LifeTeen** pizza last Sat. night, and to Deacon Larry, Deacon Joseph & Boris for speaking to our **LifeTeen** about persecution.

Christmas items for sale by our Youth Ministry after all Masses Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

Tutoring Program: Saturdays, from 3:30PM to 4:30PM.

Note: More Volunteer teachers are always needed – please see Fr. Joseph

**Mass & Confirmation Classes:**

Registered students are reminded to attend

Saturday Mass at 5:00pm on Dec. 3, and Dec. 10.

After the Mass, both student and parent must stay for the Confirmation classes from 6:15pm to 7:30pm. Students letters are due on one of the two weekends of Dec 10/11 or Dec 17/18.



**First Holy Communion Reminder!**

For registered students at our Catholic schools - Parents & Child first confession preparation – Mass on Sunday Nov 27, Dec 4 and Dec 11 at 9:30am. Right after the Mass, walk the students over to St. Anthony School to attend classes from 10:45am to 11:45am.

First Confession Dates:

St. Anthony & St. M. Bourgeois Catholic Schools – Mon. Jan 9 @6:30pm

St. J. Breuef & L.B. Pearson Catholic Schools – Mon. Jan 16 @6:30pm

*Christmas Pageant Practice  
Mondays 6-7 pm in the Church*

Parish Advent Retreat: November 28, 29, 30 at 7:00pm

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Sunday, November 27, 2016**

*First Sunday of Advent*

8:15a.m. Annette Everette & Brett Everette  
9:30a.m. Ronmar Rimando  
11:00a.m. †Abel & Roshan Beck  
12:30p.m. †Sergio Perez-Silvia Saez

**Monday, November 28, 2016**

*Ferial*

9:00a.m. †Paul Masys

**Tuesday, November 29, 2016**

*Ferial*

9:00a.m. †Therese McDonald  
7:00p.m. †Dominic Dinh  
†Family Nguyen  
†Adelaida Rojo  
†Joseph Varghese  
†Roselia Vidot  
†Aida Ty  
†Irene & Donald Peltier  
All souls  
Anica & Gabriel Platusic  
Sabryna Nguyen 16<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Joseph Teixeira

**Wednesday, November 30, 2016**

*St. Andrew*

9:00am †Andrea Lin Tsui Wai-Ngar

**Thursday, December 1, 2016**

*Ferial*

9:00a.m. special intention

**First Friday, December 2, 2016**

*Ferial*

9:00 a.m. †Clarence Grough  
7:00 p.m. †Paul Ofori  
†baby Jasmine Odu Pajimolan  
†Lydia Fitzpatrick  
Holy Souls in purgatory  
Kathreena & Sebastian

**Saturday, December 3, 2016**

*St. Francis Xavier*

9:00a.m. †Manuel & Cynthia Alegre  
5:00p.m. †Cecil & Errolaine Rogers

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

*James 5:13:20*

Peter Ramos Lito Olindan  
Samantha Hearn Paul Lyttle  
Lucy Wolverton Lenny Naluz  
Fareeda Mongru Elaine Kussman  
Joseph Teixeira Carolyn Mangaroo  
Edwina Fraser Dave Anam  
Christopher Anam Manfredo Pozzuoli  
Eileen Aquilina Kevin Calder  
Kathleen Ford Joanne Bracken  
Ron Mattison  
Emmanuel Sebastiaipillai

## Advent: A time to prepare

The Advent wreath is one of the oldest and most popular Christmas traditions. It is hung or displayed during the period that includes the four Sundays before the Feast of the Nativity. The wreath represents the cycle of thousands of years from Adam to Jesus during which the world awaited the coming of the Redeemer.

**The Circle**, which never ends, teaches us that God and the joy of eternity never ends.

**The evergreen**, symbol of life, is a reminder that the Lord Jesus is our Life and that He remains present among us. The evergreen never changes, so also God's love for us never changes.

**The candles** symbolize the light of grace that was given to mankind when our Saviour was born. They tell us that Jesus who is coming is our light. They have little meaning unless they are lighted. With the flame they become alive, they give light and warmth. In their own way, they remind us that Jesus is living and that He is coming to give us light and life. As Jesus' coming draws near, the brightness increases.

**The purple candles or ribbons**, like the purple vestments worn by the priest, remind us that it is a penitential season, a time of penance and mortification, however, the rose candle brightens this season indicating joy at the expectation of the coming of the Messiah.

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**St. Anthony of Padua**  
**MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASSES**  
**Facilitators: Rufino & Delma Ty**  
**Sundays from 12 March – 7 May, 2017**  
in our St. Joseph Parish Centre  
**\$120.00 per couple 2-4pm**

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**Mass of Comfort and Light, Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2017, 7:00 PM at St. Padre Pio Church 5500 Major Mackenzie Rd, Maple.** "The Mass is a celebration of hope and community especially for those struggling with loss and loneliness." For more information, please contact [newbeginnings.st.padrepiochurch@gmail.com](mailto:newbeginnings.st.padrepiochurch@gmail.com) or phone 416-921-1163 ext. 2227 or 2235.

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## GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree will be going up in the church foyer at the end of November. Once again, we are requesting **gift cards from Walmart, No Frills, Supercentre and Freshco.**

**PLEASE BRING ALL GIFT CARDS and/or CASH TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

Please make your cheque payable to St. Anthony Parish (memo line: Giving Tree). Cash donations are also welcome. Upon request, tax receipts will be issued for all cash donations or for gift cards of \$25 or above. Your generosity in helping families in need this Christmas is greatly appreciated.

**Vocation Discernment:** The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men, 17 years and older to attend a Retreat Dec 9-11 at Manresa Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering. For men who are discerning God's desired Vocation for them. Guided reflections, Holy Mass, Adoration, confession and assistance. Suggested donation of \$150 to help cover costs. For more info, please call 416-968-0997 –or-email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

## Adoration Lamps

Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> November

*No names noted at time of printing*



The Holy Family statue will be welcomed in the home of Paulo Jorge & Nellie Couto & family for the upcoming week. The statue must be returned to the church by noon on the following Saturday.

For St. Anthony of Padua parishioners to receive the Holy Family statue in your home, please call the church office.

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## Church Cleaning Group

Can you help? This Christmas, we will meet you with joy at the Sacristy on Saturday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> right after the 9am Mass.

## CHRISTMAS HELP

Do you or your family require help this Christmas?

Please call the Outreach Line at 905-793-8030, ext. 5 and leave a confidential message.



A screened caregiver will contact you for further information. **You must be a registered parishioner or living in the boundaries of St. Anthony's Parish.**

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Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a scholarship to St. Michael's College. It is open to any young Catholic woman who is completing her secondary school education and who has indicated to the University of Toronto that St. Michael's College is her first choice. For more info call 905-791-9345.

**"FORMED"** . . . December Feature:

God is with Us!

And much more! Watch or read – DVDs, books, movies on the Catholic faith and other related topics. Login at 'formed.org' and type in **padua@on.aibn.com** then password: **formed**.

## Advent Parish Confessions

**19 Dec. 2016 7pm – 9pm**

Many priests will be available