Saint Joseph The Worker Parish

Oshawa, Ontario

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Feast of the Holy Family

December 26, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, December 27

† Antonio Divola req. by Divola Family

Tuesday, December 28

Intention of David & Mary Jo Dinan–Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, December 29

Intention of Laura Chiodo req. by Mary Lou Barrese †Holy Souls req. by John & Lynda Ladd † Maria Doreen Vincent req. by St. Joseph C.W.L. †Shelley Wilson req. by St. Joseph C.W.L. †Anne Dwyer req. by Gerry & Mary Lynch For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Thursday, December 30

† Holy Souls req. by John & Lynda Ladd

Friday, December 31

5 pm & 7 pm

For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Saturday, January 1

9 am Intention of Thomas & Emma Clynch req. by the family

11 am For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Sunday, January 2

9 am † Horacio Arruda

11 am Intentions of Glenda & Stephen Fernandes – Wedding Anniversary

2022 DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2022 envelopes are now available in the hall. Please do not use the 2022 envelopes until January 2022. Please include your name and full address on all of your January donation envelopes as we are updating our parish records. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Please pray for those who are sick and those who love and minister to them.....

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Dave Bezzant

Ed Lynch

Judy Clarke

Jo Anne Craig

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CONFESSION

• Our regular Saturday confessions at 4 pm will now take place in the confessional inside the parish. If you wish to make an appointment for confessions at a different date/time than our Saturday confessions, please contact the parish office at 905-432-2300 or stjosephtheworkeros@archtoronto.ca

MEETING

 Meetings in the parish halls or other indoor spaces are permitted at 50% of meeting space during step

OFFICE HOURS

• The parish office will be closed on Thursday's and Friday's. The parish secretary will continue to have remote access to emails and phones on these days so please feel free to contact us at 905 432-2300 or email: stjosephtheworkeros@archtoronto.org

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Catholic Women's League thanks everyone for all their support during this past year and wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Joyous New Year.

A friendly reminder, the CWL 2022 Membership dues are now due (\$30.). Thank you to all members who have renewed their membership. If you have any questions regarding membership, please speak to Mary Lynch or contact Maria Tuccia @ 905-576-2776 / maria_tuccia@yahoo.ca Thank you.

For more information about the CWL, please contact Diana Petre at cwl.sjtwoshawa@gmail.com.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Put on love. (Colossians 3:14)

A wise man once joked, "It's called *Holy* Matrimony because so many holy martyrs are made there!" When you add children into the mix, the opportunities for "martyrdom" rise exponentially.

Jokes aside, the Holy Family was holy because each member decided to "put on love"—to sacrifice their own preferences and give of themselves to one another. Whether it was Mary and Joseph's patience in the face of anxiety or misunderstanding or Jesus' humble, obedient return to Nazareth, their holiness shone through their care for one another (Luke 2:48-49, 51).

As you celebrate the Holy Family today, know that you grow in holiness *through* your vocation to family life, not in spite of it. God designed us to be part of a family, whether as a spouse, parent, or child. That means you can become holy as you imitate the Holy Family in your own family.

Even more, you are called to build a "civilization of love," as St. John Paul II said in his *Letter to Families* (13). It's a civilization that starts with that foundational building block of the family and reaches outward. It grows as each member gives themselves to God and, then in love, give of themselves to other people. John Paul said that when we're faithful to our vocation, whether as a married person or as a single person, priest, or religious, our witness of love affects everyone around us.

So take some time today to reflect on how your family can help you grow in holiness. Think about how you can put on the virtues St. Paul describes in today's second reading and, over them all, love (Colossians 3:12-14). And then allow yourself to dream of how your decisions to love might just change civilization. "Mary and Joseph, pray that your son, Jesus, will help me to be holy in the vocation he has given me."

Culled from The World Among Us

CHRISTMAS OFFICE & CHURCH HOURS

As Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Saturday in the coming Christmas Season the office and church will be closed on the following days.

Monday, December 27– CLOSED Tuesday, December 28-CLOSED Wednesday, December 29—OPEN Thursday, December 30—OPEN Friday, December 31-CLOSED Monday, January 3 –CLOSED



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In light of the current pandemic, we invite you to please observe the following measures, which have been put in place for your safety and the safety of others:

- A mask or face covering is mandatory while you are in the church building.
- Please maintain social distancing of at least six feet, unless you are from the same household
- The Adoration Chapel and crying room will be open on a 24/7
- A maximum of 6 people are allowed in the Chapel and 4 people in the Crying Room at any one time
- Please sanitize the area you were in before you leave
- A security code is required to enter the chapel during the
 - weekend and outside of office hours
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Thank you for your patience and understanding

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