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*Saint Anne-pray for us*

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday – 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday and Friday – 7:00 p.m.

## FIRST FRIDAY

One hr. after the 9:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses.

Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

## RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. & 4:15 p.m. Other times upon request.

## BAPTISMS

By appointment only. At least two month advance notice.

Attendance at a pre-baptism class is required for parents.

You may wish to attend this class before your child is born.

## CARE of the SICK

Visitation and/or communion for the sick upon request.

## MARRIAGE

Couples must contact a priest one year in advance. A Marriage Course is required. If either party has been previously married, the Bishop's Office must be consulted before a date may be set.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Mr. Cyril Moraes

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Mrs. Arlene Morgan

Sacramental Facilitator

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## MASS INTENTIONS



### Sunday, December 2

8:00 AM – For the intentions of the people of St. Anne's

10:00 AM – In Thanksgiving – Jones Family

12:00 PM – Maikel & Iskandara Michriky - Special Intention

### Monday, December 3

9:15 AM – † Nick, Adriano, Francesco & Chiarina D'Agostino

### Tuesday, December 4

9:15 AM – † Elizabeth Arzadon

### Wednesday, December 5

9:15 AM – † Bertha & Daphne Pereira

7:00 PM – † Maria Ilda Ferreira

– † Bernadino & Casto Ras

– Rogelio & Herminia Caluste

– Carlos & Isilda Amaral (50<sup>th</sup> Wedd. Anniv)

– Special Intention – Kpebesani Family

### Thursday, December 6

9:15 AM – † Jose De Lima & family in Honour of St. Joseph for all sinners

### Friday, December 7

9:15 AM – Gloria & family – In Thanksgiving & Special Intention

7:00 PM – † Mary Fernandes

### Saturday, December 8

9:15 AM – † Deceased members of the Labog & Godfrey Families

5:00 PM – † Antonio & Maria Leandres

## LAMP INTENTIONS



### SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 1

For Rego childrens' health

### SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 2

For Rego childrens' health

### SACRED HEART LAMP

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† Lucia Proscia, Rita & Connie Holmes

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† Nancy Brindisi

### PADRE PIO LAMP

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## DECEMBER 2, 2018 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### **Can you Let Me In?**

Happy New Year! Church begins a new liturgical year with NEW expectations today. This period is called "Advent" which we will prepare for "coming of Jesus" normally called "Christmas". Actually what coming are we preparing? He already came to the world right? So is it just a celebration of a historical event? I don't think so. As far as I know there are three comings of Jesus in our lives. You might wonder what they are. Sit back and enjoy. First coming happened before two thousand years ago in Bethlehem. That is why we say "Long time ago in Bethlehem the Holy Bible Says ... ". It was the Birth of Jesus what we call First coming of Jesus. Yes certainly we can and should celebrate it. What are the other comings of Jesus? We all know another one will happen at the very end of the world, which we can say is the final coming of Jesus. If Jesus comes to our lives tearing open the sky and shaking the mountains (in His Glory as we read in today's Gospel), it would be very easy for us to recognize Jesus. Then what is this coming we are celebrating? Just a celebration of an historical event. The way we are preparing it is a big YES. But is that the expectation. It is a big NO. The reason is that it may be too late for some if we really don't understand him before the final coming. As today's gospel indicates "*Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap.*" Church has given this advent season for his followers for special preparation to accept Jesus to their hearts in a silent way; that they will not get lost in their battles and specially at their final hour.

**Most important Coming of Jesus is the welcoming of Jesus into our lives here when we are still on earth.** Jesus is willing to enter into our lives each and every day, each and every interaction we are having with others who ever they are. Maybe we are interacting with our friends, family, colleagues even the environment God is willing to enter into our lives, especially in the celebration of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. But do we really recognize him?

The daily coming of Jesus into our lives is the process by which we deepen our understanding of who Jesus was and is and become more and more identified with his vision of God and of the meaning of life. With this identification we are not only ready but eager to meet and be one with our God. "As a deer longs for a stream of cool water, so I long for you, my God" (Psalm 42); "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the Lord's house!'" (Psalm 122).

By keeping all these comings in mind at the same time, we can make our celebration of Christmas more meaningful. Christmas, in many ways, has become so meaningless or has developed a meaning far removed from the Gospel story. It consists of lots of lights, Santa Claus, reindeer, value-less Christmas cards, and endless wining and dining. Christmas is not a mere commemoration of a past event. Christmas only becomes meaningful when we realize what it is saying in terms of our present and future life.

### **Being Ready / Attentive**

We begin the Season of Advent with a message from the gospel of Luke: "Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man." He urges about our vigilance. Our readiness is not only for the end but also for the daily experiences that make up our ordinary day. Jesus is there to train us, mold us, and form us. But we always fight with his plans and override it with our plans (in personnel lives and as a community). Don't we? That is why we want to terminate some lives because they are a burden for our health care system; we don't want to welcome some people to the country God gave to us, because we don't want to share our economy with them (they will be burdens to our economic system). Simply we don't want to share. But God gave his only son to redeem us with no hesitation. Let that son Jesus grow in us so we can burn our flesh and let his qualities grow in us. Let's make a decision not to fight with him when He proposes something to us in silence. Let Him mold us into his likeness, into the likeness of God, to become a person of integrity and truth, of love and compassion, of freedom and peace. Then we are not the one who is going to meet God at the end his only Son because He is the one living in us. It will be a win-win situation.

We can simply say "we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands" and let him guide us daily **then the world will be a better place for all of us when Jesus is born in our hearts.**

## ADVENT CONFESSIONS – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>



**ADVENT CONFESSIONS** will be heard on Saturday, **DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:45am – 11:30am.** Several Priests will be in attendance speaking a variety of languages

## YOUTH MINISTRY BAKE SALE – DECEMBER 8/9<sup>th</sup>

Next weekend, Dec.8/9, there will be a Bake Sale after all Masses in support of St. Anne's Youth Ministries. There will be a raffle for the amazing Gingerbread Church annually donated by Rosemary Aversa. There's a picture of it on the foyer TV screen. There will be lots of delicious baked goods as well. Your support in helping our young people grow in their faith is greatly appreciated.

## CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS-SUNDAY - DECEMBER 16



Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 16 after the 12 noon Mass. **Your support is greatly appreciated.** This is a wonderful opportunity for high school students to earn their volunteer hours or for families to volunteer together. Please leave your contact information in the parish office.

## USHERS SIGN-UP FOR CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Ushers are asked to kindly sign-up in the sacristy for the Christmas & New Year's Masses. Your support and dedication to your ministry is greatly appreciated.

## CWL SOCK DRIVE FOR THE HOMELESS

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) will be collecting new men's, women's and children's socks from November 19 to December 21. The socks will be donated to a homeless shelter in the City of Brampton. A box will be available in the church office for this collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**The C.W.L. would like to thank all the parishioners who donated baked goods and items for the Bazaar. Congratulations to all the raffle and penny table winners. Your ongoing support is appreciated.**

## SALVATION ARMY HOMELESS SHELTER



The Salvation Army exists to share the love of Jesus Christ, meet human needs and be a transforming influence in the communities of our world. If anyone would like to donate men's new gloves, scarves, hats, dark underwear, socks and toiletry items it would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off at the parish office by Sunday, December 16th. The shelter would like to thank you in advance for reaching out to others during this holiday season.

## YOUTH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS CONCERT – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14



St. Anne's Youth Ministry Presents....

### **A CHRISTMAS STORY**

**7:00pm** - Youth Mass

**8:00pm** - Christmas Concert begins inside the Church

**SPECIAL SINGING PERFORMANCE BY:**

**FR. JOEL PABILONA**

Pastor of St. Anne's Church

This Week	Room Booking
Sunday (Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup> )	10:00am – Children's Liturgy (FR) 12:00pm – Children's Liturgy (FR) 12:00pm – ACTS Men's Retreat (SR) 2:00pm – Children's Liturgy mtg.(FR) <b>Pro-Life Christmas Cards &amp; Sales in Foyer after All Masses</b>
Monday (Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	7:00pm – CWL Exec. mtg (SR)
Tuesday (Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00am – Legion of Mary (FR) 7:00pm – RCIA (PR) 7:30pm – Faith Sharing (SR) 8:00pm – 8AM choir practice (C)
Wednesday (Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00am – Food Assistance (FR) 6:30pm – <b>Confessions (C)</b> 7:30pm – Baptism Class (SR)
Thursday (Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup> )	9:30am – Centering Prayer (FR) 8:00pm – 10AM Choir Practice (C)
Friday (Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup> )	9:30am – Over 55 Group (SR) 6:30pm – Youth Ministry (All Rooms)
Saturday (Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>NO 8am Confessions</b> 9:45am – <b>ADVENT CONFESSIONS</b> 4:00pm – Legion of Mary (FR) <b>NO 4pm Confessions</b> 6:00pm – Lifeteen (SR) 6:00pm – Holy Family Cenacle (PR) <b>YOUTH MINISTRY BAKE SALE &amp; POINSETTIA PICK UP after all Masses</b>

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

<b>Regular – November 18</b>	<b>\$7,160.83</b>
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	<b>1,675.00</b>

*Thank you for your Generosity!*

**Thank You for depositing your change in the "Poor Boxes" in the lobby after Mass**



For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty, and you me a drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me.

- *Matthew 23:35*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **FOR THE SICK**

Seeta Perlie Jairam  
Darrell Costello  
Steven Rei  
Manuel Rodrigues  
Rita Velez  
Lorraine Viegas  
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Maria Correia  
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