

St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church

115 Vodden Street East

Brampton, Ontario, L6V 1M4

PHONE: 905-453-1303 FAX: 905-459-4829

Website: stannesbr.archtoronto.org E-Mail: stannesbr@archtoronto.org

Rev. Fr. Suresh Xavier, Pastor

Rev. Fr. Jobby Muppathiyil Joseph, Associate



Masses For The Week



Sunday, December 24

- 8:00 AM – For the intentions of St. Anne's Community
– † Leila Gurney
- 10:00 AM – † Eileen & Charles & Rodney Rosario & Juanita Smith
- 12:00 PM – † Special Intention

- 7:00 PM – † Gill Dunn
- 12:00 Midnight – † Rhoel Pastanes, Susan Peral & Celedonio Peral

Monday, December 25

- 8:00 AM – For the intentions of St. Anne's Community
- 10:00 AM – For the intentions of St. Anne's Community
- 12:00 PM – For the intentions of St. Anne's Community

Tuesday, December 26

- 9:15 AM – † Jonathan Faria & Marlene Faria
– † Taryn Granger & Luis Rego

Wednesday, December 27

- 9:15 AM – † Nuradi D.
– † Jacques Cyr

Thursday, December 28

- 9:15 AM – † Vinda Juan
– † Rosie Dormiendo

Friday, December 29

- 9:15 AM – † Mario, Antonio & Mario Martins
- 7:00 PM – Estafania Ganaba & † Paul Martin Caldeira

Saturday, December 30

- 9:15 AM – In thanksgiving – 59th wedding anniversary – Leopold & Mary Joseph
– † Pa Robinson Ovwigho
- 5:00 PM – † Michael Schofield

Lamp Intentions

SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 1

Laurie Pacheco & family-for Health & blessings

SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 2

Special Intention

SACRED HEART LAMP

In memory of Jose Marcello Monteiro

ST. ANNE LAMP

Special Intention

DIVINE MERCY LAMP

In memory of Jim Kearney

OFFERTORY

LAMPS are available to burn for your intention for one week for \$10.00 per candle. They burn from Sunday to Saturday. Please call the parish office to book your lamps.

DECEMBER 24 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Gospel: Luke 1.26-38 – The Annunciation

Readily Saying Yes to Stewardship

As we approach Christmas the church encourages us to reflect on the Annunciation. The Annunciation can be seen as the singular event that changed the world for it is during this episode that Mary consents to God's will and Christ is conceived within her. As stewards striving to follow Jesus, we can learn a great deal from prayerfully imitating Mary in our own lives.

Mary had an incredible faith and trust in God to be able to accept His will for her life. It is important to note that Mary wasn't told how her life would precisely unfold. She didn't know she would give birth in a manger, or about her flight to Egypt, or that Jesus would go missing in the temple or that she would stand by as He was crucified. Instead, all she knew was that she would conceive the Son of God. Many times, we seek to know God's entire will for our lives but we can learn from Mary to readily say yes to the current step of the plan that He is calling us to and, like Mary, ponder God's will in our hearts by spending time in prayer).

As stewards, God too is calling us to a very specific and important mission. St. John Henry Newman says that we should all recognize that "God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission." We can live out this mission by being stewards of our time and talents for our communities, our parish and the entire Church. Let us seek Mary's intercession and trust in the Lord's call for our lives and readily follow Him.

ALL ARE INVITED TO

St. Anne's Epiphany Around the World on Saturday, January 6 from 6 to 10 pm

We are holding an Epiphany Party on Saturday January 6 in the Stephenson Room. For details talk to the ticket sellers at the back of the church after Sunday Masses. Only 100 spots are available so get your tickets today! Only \$5 each! For more information Contact Mary Lozowsky: 905-781-1866 or the parish office.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM
AT ST. ANNE'S PARISH
Based on the Joy-Filled Marriage program.

COURSE DATES: (4 Sat.) – JANUARY 13-FEBRUARY 3, 2024

TIME: 10:30am – 12:30PM * Fee: \$200

For additional information, please contact the parish office during office hours or William Batres Franco at 647-567-2706.

Please register by January 10, 2024



Give yourself the gift of a joyful marriage!

Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. By learning the tools of healthy communication, you can build greater intimacy. Retrouvaille is Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track.

January 19-21 2024 in Mississauga.
For more information call 437-234-5610 or visit torontoretrouvaille.com or helpourmarriage.org

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

A few years ago, there appeared this beautiful Christmas story in the Reader's Digest. Tom, a kindergarten kid, was excited about the upcoming Christmas play. He was given the role of the innkeeper and he had to say, "No room! Get away!" Many kids' parents got to witness the 'grand finale' of the play. Joseph and Mary came by, knocking on the door of every inn, Tom's being the last. He shouted, "No room here! Get away!" Joseph pleaded, "Please! My wife is pregnant!" Tom shouted again, "No room! Go!" As Joseph and Mary departed, feeling utterly dejected, tears flowed down his cheeks. He cried out, "There's no room here; but I've got a big, big house. Come on with me after the play!"

In today's world, we meet thousands of people who play the "No room" card. We often create 'insiders' and 'outsiders' with no room for the latter. The message of Christmas is to make room for Jesus Christ and others in our hearts. Jesus knocks at the door of our heart every moment of our life. Do we open the door of our heart for Jesus? Do we spend enough time with Him in prayer? Do we see each other as our brothers and sisters? Let us pray especially during Christmas, that we may make room for others in our hearts. On behalf of Fr. Jobby Joseph and parish staff, I wish you and your family a merry Christmas and a happy new year 2024.

I am excited and blessed to celebrate my first Christmas with you all at St. Anne's church. May baby Jesus bless you and your family with His peace and joy.

Fr Suresh Xavier,
Pastor

ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY PRAYER SERVICE SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024, 4 P.M. ET

Venue: St. Mark Coptic Orthodox Cathedral
(455 Ferrier St., Markham, Ont. L3R 5Z2)

Theme: "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27)

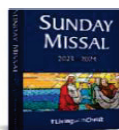
Join Archbishop Francis Leo and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY,	Sat: 5PM (vigil), Sun. 8:00 am,
Dec. 31:	10:00 am & 12:00pm
5:00 pm	New Year's Eve Mass
10:30 pm	ADORATION
11:30 pm	New Year's Eve Mass

MONDAY, January 1st

8:00 am	New Year's Day Mass
10:00 am	New Year's Day Mass
12:00 pm	New Year's Day Mass



2023/'24 SUNDAYS MISSALS - \$6 EA.

2023/'24 Sunday Missals are now available after all Sunday Masses from the Religious articles store or from the parish office for \$6ea.

OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed from Monday, December 25th to Monday, January 1st and will resume regular office hours on Tuesday, January 2nd at 9:00am.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Offertory for:

Sunday, December 10

\$ 5,529.90

Thank you for your support!

2024 Sunday Offertory Envelopes

are available for pick up from Stephenson room for those currently using envelopes!



- Boxes are in numerical order. If you can't remember your number, an alphabetical list is available.
- Commence using your new envelopes on January 1st, 2024.
- Please write your information for the first couple weeks in January
- PLEASE DO NOT** use any previous years' envelopes.

You may contribute through pre-authorized giving or PAG which is one of the most convenient ways of giving your weekly offering.

Thank you for your continued generous support!

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH ST. ANNE'S?

Have you ever filled in a form from the office to register yourself or your family? Has your mailing address or phone number changed?

Please come to the parish office to register or if there are any changes to be made, please notify the parish office. Thank you!

ARCHDIOCESAN CONSULTATION

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – Your assistance is requested!

Our archbishop, the Most Rev. Francis Leo, is inviting Catholics throughout the archdiocese to share their key priorities to help inform and guide an updated Pastoral Plan. To participate in the consultation, [visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation) to complete a brief survey where you can offer your suggestions and insights.

The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

CHRISTMAS SACKS

Please remember to bring back your full Christmas sacks.

Be sure to include your contact information or envelope number for tax receipt. If you would like a sack to fill, please see the Religious articles store after Mass. *The Over 55 Group would like to thank you for supporting their Christmas Sacks.*



PRAYERS ARE NEEDED..

FOR THE SICK:

Troy Cameron
Yvonne Solie
Stan
Theresa Pillai
Rhic Martinez
Nieva Del Ty
George
Cidalia Oliveira
Victor Brum
Willard Burton

Power of Prayer

Bruno Bunici
Mike Ali
Eisenhower Douglas
Rosemary Aversa
Leonora Bonifacio
Yolanda Gonsalvez
Lydia Stasienco
Lorraine Viegas
Lorenzo Young

FOR THE DECEASED:

Shanel Dawkins Crandon
Jean Paul Dino Ferlisi



**CHURRASQUEIRA
GRELHA D'OURO**
B.B.Q. & GRILL

143 Clarence St.
905.463.1245

Knights of Columbus

"In Solidarity with our Priests"
Help Your Church & Community



JOIN NOW

Call Michael Petric
289-937-9989



Since 1984

Garden Centre

Floral Shop

10753 Heart Lake Rd.

905.846.3773

Open 7 Days a Week

We Deliver

www.lakesidegardengallery.com

Doctors House Call Concierge Medicine



Medical House Calls
Covered by OHIP

9am to Midnight,

7 days a week

Seniors, Homebound,

Post-op & Special needs

doctorshousecallservice@gmail.com

905-517-8889

HANDY MAN

Interior Renovations, Decks,
Fences & Concrete
Carlos Simoes
(speaks Portuguese)

647-986-4113



Full Service Auto Centre
Giovanni & Maria

1 English Street

905-456-2610

tirecraft.com



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
FUNERAL SERVICES

www.catholic-cemeteries.com

Assumption Cemetery 905-670-8801

Queen of Heaven Cemetery 905-851-5822

Catholic Cremation Services, Funeral • Cremation • Burial
905-670-8801



Certified Realty, Brokerage
www.mvmteam.ca

Mario Hermenegildo

Broker of Record

mario@rlpvendex.ca

B: 905-452-7272

SALES REPRESENTATIVE WANTED

Liturgical Publications, your weekly bulletin printer has
an opening for a **full time Sales Representative.**
Base Salary • Commission • Car Allowance • Travel Expenses
If you have a drive to succeed and are self-motivated,
email your resume to salesrep@parishbulletins.com

Catholic Women's League

"Women of Peace and Hope"

~Rooted in Gospel Values~

All Women Welcome

Call St. Anne's

905-453-1303

www.cwl.ca



petvalu

your pet • your store

370 Main St N

905-451-6513

9445 Mississauga Rd

905-866-6802

Dog Wash & Grooming

FORTINOS®

Your Supermarket with a heart!

Floral Dept. offers specially designed
Grab & Go arrangements, or for
something unique, our professional
floral designers can customize
requests for birthdays, weddings,
special events, funerals.



60 Quarry Edge Dr. (Hwy 10 & Bovaird)

905-453-3600

Remember...

Let our advertisers know
you saw their ad here.



905-455-1010

GUSTO PIZZARIA

247 Queen St. E., Brampton



Don't leave our
advertisers HANGING!

Please patronize and
tell them that you
appreciate their
support

Your advertisers make
this bulletin possible

**EAT LOCAL
SHOP LOCAL
ENJOY LOCAL**

THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!



TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL
905-624-4422



THE BEST GRAPE JUICES

Wine Making on Premises

Wine Kits & Supplies

367 Main St N.

905-456-9180

THE WATER STORE

Purified Water by Reverse Osmosis

Cleanest Water Anywhere...

Guaranteed!

Water Purification Systems

OPEN 24 Hours

367 Main St. N. 905-451-2444

LICENSED PLUMBER

Drain Cleaning • Leaky Faucets

New Installs & Renos

No Jobs too big or too small

Sherwin 416-816-0097

WARD
FUNERAL HOMES

100 YEARS

BRAMPTON CHAPEL

52 Main St South

905-451-2124

wardfuneralhome.com