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*"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting."
(Psalm 100:5)*



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November 30, 2025 - First Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am | 12:00m | 6:00pm
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SPANISH: Sunday 2:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am
First Fridays 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9:30am-11:00am.
First Fridays 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt.

ANOINTING – UNZIONE – UNCIÓN

First Saturdays of the month at 9:00am.
El primer sábado de cada mes, 9.00am.
Il primo sabato di ogni mese alle 9:00.

BIBLE STUDY SESSION

Fridays, 7:30-9:00pm in the Main Hall.
Refreshments provided. Please enter
through the parking lot side door.

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary: 8:30am Mon-Fri before Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays
9:00am Mass

SICK CALLS

Please call the office for visits or
Communion visitations to the sick.

BAPTISM - BATTESIMO - BAUTIZOS

Call the office, **Three months** in advance/ Si
prega di chiamare l'ufficio con **tre mesi** di
anticipo. Con **tres meses** de anticipación.

WEDDING – BODAS – MATRIMONIO

Contact the office **one year** in advance.
Contatta l'ufficio con un anno di anticipo.
Contáctenos con **un año** de anticipación.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For Initiation, Baptism, First Communion
and Confirmation, please the Parish Office

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:30am-12:00m & 12:30pm-4:00pm

CHURCH HOURS

The church is open **Monday to Friday** 8:00 am -12:00pm
Saturdays 8:00am-6:00pm / **Sundays** 8:00am -7:00pm

FOOD BANK

Tuesdays 12:00m

Anniversary Prayer

Heavenly Father,
We come before you with grateful hearts, Celebrating one hundred years of blessings,
of faith lived and shared, of our community built in Your love.
Bless our parish, Lord and all those who ministered and served in the past hundred years.
Unite us in love, guide us in service and strengthen our faith.
May this anniversary not only honor the past, but renew our zeal and commitment to live
faithfully in the present and the years ahead.
We pray that our centenary may be a true Celebration of Your goodness, A witness to Your
Grace and a beacon of hope for generations to come. Amen
Saint Thomas Aquinas.....Pray for us

Preghiera per il centenario

Padre celeste,
ci presentiamo davanti a te con cuori riconoscenti, celebrando cento anni di benedizioni,
di fede vissuta e condivisa, della nostra comunità costruita nel tuo amore.
Benedici la nostra parrocchia, Signore, e tutti coloro che hanno prestato servizio e ministero
negli ultimi cento anni.
Uniscici nell'amore, guidaci nel servizio e rafforza la nostra fede.
Possa questo anniversario non solo onorare il passato, ma rinnovare il nostro zelo e il nostro
impegno a vivere fedelmente nel presente e negli anni a venire.
Preghiamo affinché il nostro centenario possa essere una vera celebrazione della tua bontà, una
testimonianza della tua grazia e un faro di speranza per le generazioni future. Amen
San Tommaso d'Aquino... Pregha per noi

Oración por el centenario

Padre Celestial,
Nos presentamos ante ti con corazones agradecidos, celebrando cien años de bendiciones,
de fe vivida y compartida, de nuestra comunidad construida en tu amor.
Bendice nuestra parroquia, Señor, y a todos aquellos que han ministrado y servido en los
últimos cien años.
Únenos en el amor, guíanos en el servicio y fortalece nuestra fe.
Que este aniversario no solo honre el pasado, sino que renueve nuestro celo y compromiso de
vivir fielmente en el presente y en los años venideros.
Oremos para que nuestro centenario sea una verdadera celebración de tu bondad, un testimonio
de tu gracia y un faro de esperanza para las generaciones venideras. Amén.
Santo Tomás de Aquino... Ruega por nosotros.

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From the Pastor's Desk * Dalla scrivania del parroco * Desde el escritorio del pastor

Dear parishioners of STA,

Today, the 1st Sunday of Advent, ushers in a new liturgical season (Year A). Be sure to get your copy of the Sunday Missal 2025-2026. It is a priceless tool for our collective worship. As you probably know, Advent is a time of hope, peace, joy and love. While we prepare to celebrate Christ's First Coming (i.e., Christmas), let us never lose sight of his Second Coming (i.e., the Parousia). Here is what the Preface I of Advent says: "[...] When He comes again in glory and majesty and all is at last made manifest; we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which we now dare to hope". So, let us do our best to watch in hope. Happy Advent season to you and your family and friends!

Cari parrocchiani di STA,

oggi, prima domenica di Avvento, inizia un nuovo tempo liturgico (Anno A). Assicuratevi di procurarvi una copia del Messale Domenicale 2025-2026. È uno strumento prezioso per la nostra liturgia collettiva. Come probabilmente sapete, l'Avvento è un tempo di speranza, pace, gioia e amore. Mentre ci prepariamo a celebrare la prima venuta di Cristo (cioè il Natale), non perdiamo mai di vista la sua seconda venuta (cioè la Parusia). Ecco cosa dice il Prefazio I dell'Avvento: «[...] Quando tornerà nella gloria e nella maestà e tutto sarà finalmente manifestato, noi che attendiamo quel giorno potremo ereditare la grande promessa in cui ora osiamo sperare». Facciamo quindi del nostro meglio per vegliare nella speranza. Buon Avvento a voi, alle vostre famiglie e ai vostri amici!

Queridos feligreses de STA:

Hoy, primer domingo de Adviento, comienza un nuevo tiempo litúrgico (Año A). Asegúrense de obtener su copia del Misal Dominical 2025-2026. Es una herramienta invaluable para nuestro culto colectivo. Como probablemente saben, el Adviento es un tiempo de esperanza, paz, alegría y amor. Mientras nos preparamos para celebrar la primera venida de Cristo (es decir, la Navidad), no perdamos nunca de vista su segunda venida (es decir, la Parusía). Esto es lo que dice el Prefacio I del Adviento: «[...] Cuando vuelva en gloria y majestad y todo se manifieste por fin, nosotros, que esperamos ese día, podremos heredar la gran promesa en la que ahora nos atrevemos a esperar». Por tanto, hagamos todo lo posible por esperar con esperanza. ¡Feliz tiempo de Adviento para usted, su familia y sus amigos!

100th Anniversary Announcement

DO YOU WISH TO HELP WITH OUR PLANNING? You can join any of our Centenary Planning Subcommittees: **1.Commemorative Book Production:** Put our story together in three languages, with photos and words. Skill-set: Order, Computer and Design. **2.Photography & Videography:** Taking excellent photos and videos for present and future use. Skill- set: Order and professional. **3.Decorative & Visual Beauty:** Make our Church and surroundings look amazing. **4.Sound System:** Contribute technical expertise for best effect. **5.Website & Social Media:** Technical know-how for inputting and accessing data efficiently and timely: Skill level: Advanced. **6.Fundraising:** Gifted fundraiser with efficient ideas that have worked before. **7.Reception:** Early planning and mobilizing for the reception of our key events. As a token of appreciation, the names of the Committee members will be included in the Commemorative Book, and a thanksgiving Mass will be offered for them as well. Please call the office or write an email (stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org), if you feel called to serve our parish in this special moment of history. Thank you very much. May the good Lord bless you abundantly.

Thank you for your generosity!

Nov 23, 2025

Regular Collection \$5,187.00

MASS INTENTIONS – Nov 30th to Dec 6th 2025

SUNDAY, Nov 30th – First Sunday of Advent - All Souls

MONDAY, Dec 1st – Monday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: +Jose & +Arturo Villanueva/ Birthday blessings to Marcela Rodriguez (86 years old), Daniel Alexander Cammisuli & Austin/ Thanksgiving from Helen

TUESDAY, Dec 2nd – Tuesday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: +Gilly D'Souza/ +Agastinha & Joseph Jesus/ +Jose Maria Pereira/ +Georgina Maria Munguia/ +Rigoberto Munguia/ Healing of Tatiana Noguera, Israel Barahona & Elsy Callegas

WEDNESDAY, Dec 3rd – Wednesday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: Thanksgiving Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Fr. Gerardo Laguartilla, CPPS/ Birthday blessings to Francisca Gonzalez

THURSDAY, Dec 4th – Thursday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: +Javier Jose Buelvas Maceas

FRIDAY, Dec 5th – Friday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: +Benito Morandini/+Delia Obispo/ +Francisco Quijada

Saturday, Dec 6th – Saturday of the First Week of Advent

9:00am: +Loreto Sarracin/ +faithfull departed of Morandini family/ +John Bosco Tran/ +Marsha Liala Lowery/ Thanksgiving for Legion of Mary/ Birthday blessings to Lucita Climatosa/



Christmas/New Year Schedule 2025-2026

Mass Times



<u>Wednesday Dec 24th</u>	<u>Thursday Dec. 25th</u>	<u>Wednesday Dec. 31</u>	<u>Thursday Jan 1, 2026</u>
9:00am Mass	<u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u>	9:00am Mass	<u>NEW YEAR DAY</u>
<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u>	9:00am-English	<u>NEW YEAR'S EVE</u>	9:00am-English
7:00pm-Trilingual Mass	10:30am-Italian	7:00pm-Trilingual	10:30am-Italian
	12:00pm-English	8:30pm-Coffee & Hot Chocolate in Main Hall	12:00pm-English
	2:00pm-Spanish	10:00pm-Praise & Worship with Te Deum	2:00pm-Spanish
	6:00pm-English		6:00pm-English

2025 Parish End-of-Year Events

Immaculate Conception Trilingual Mass
Monday, December 8 @ 7:00pm
Parish Advent Confession
Thursday, December 11, 7:00pm to 8:30pm
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe & Reception
Friday, December 12 @ 7pm
Parish Christmas Concert
Saturday, December 13 @ 6:30pm
Confirmandi Soup Kitchen for All Parishioners
Sunday, December 21
10am to 4:00pm in the main hall
100th Year Inaugural Mass by Bishop Kasun
Friday, December 19 @ 7pm,
followed by Reception in the Main Hall
Parish Christmas Party with Karaoke
Tuesday, December 23 @ 8pm in the hall
End-of-Year Coffee & Hot Chocolate
Wednesday, 31 December 8:30pm-9:45pm
End-of-Year Praise & Worship with Te Deum
Wednesday, 31 December 10:00pm to 2026

<u>Christmas Novena Mass & Fellowship</u>
Monday, Dec. 15th @ 7pm , Sponsored by Legion of Mary, ELIM & Knights of Colubus
Tuesday, Dec. 16th @ 7pm sponsored by Line Dance Group
Wednesday, Dec. 17th @ 7pm sponsored by Spanish Community & CWL
Thursday, Dec. 18th @ 7pm sponsored by 5pm & 9am Choir and Lydia's Suman
Friday, Dec. 19th @ 7pm sponsored by Casaroca and Parish Social Committee
Saturday, Dec. 20th @ 5pm sponsored by 12pm Choir, Lectors and Altar Servers
Sunday, Dec. 21st @ 6pm sponsored by 6pm Choir, Handmaids & Bisaya Group
Monday, Dec. 22nd @ 7pm sponsored by Ushers (Hospitality Ministers)
Tuesday, Dec. 23rd @ 7pm sponsored by Circle of Prayer, Simbang Gabi & Black Nazarene Committee



May Christ's love and peace fill your heart during this awesome season!. Merry Christmas 2025 & Happy New Year 2026! Best wishes from your Pastor,

Fr. Patrick C. Ezimora CCE 😊

Che l'amore e la pace di Cristo riempiano il vostro cuore durante questo meraviglioso periodo dell'anno!. Buon Natale 2025 e Felice Anno Nuovo 2026!

I migliori auguri dal vostro Pastore,

Fr. Patrick C. Ezimora CCE 😊

¡Que el amor y la paz de Cristo llenen tu corazón durante esta maravillosa temporada!

¡Feliz Navidad 2025 y próspero Año Nuevo 2026!

Mis mejores deseos de parte de tu pastor,

Fr. Patrick C. Ezimora CCE 😊

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