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The Sacrament of the Eucharist

213. What elements are essential to a Holy Mass?

Every Holy Mass (celebration of the Eucharist) unfolds in two main parts, the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. [1346 - 1347]

In the Liturgy of the Word, we hear readings from the Old and New Testament and also the Gospel. Besides that there is an opportunity for preaching and general intercessory prayers. In the subsequent Liturgy of the Eucharist, bread and wine are offered, consecrated, and distributed to the faithful at Communion.

214. How is the Mass structured?

Holy Mass begins with the gathering of the faithful and the entrance of the priest and the others who serve in the sanctuary (altar servers, lectors, cantors, and so on). After the greeting comes the Penitential Rite, which concludes with the Kyrie. On Sundays (outside of Advent and Lent) and feast days, the Gloria is then sung or recited. The prayer of the day introduces one or two readings from the Old and New Testament, followed by the responsorial psalm. Before the Gospel is read, there is an Alleluia, or acclamation. After the proclamation of the Gospel on Sundays and feast days, the Priest or Deacon gives a Homily at least on Sundays and feast days. Then again only on Sundays and feast days, the congregation professes its common faith in the Creed, followed by the intercessions. The second part of the Holy Mass begins with the preparation of the gifts, which concludes with the Offertory prayer. The high point of the Eucharistic celebration is the Eucharistic Prayer, which is introduced by the Preface and the Sanctus. Now the gifts of bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharistic Prayer concludes, finally, in the Doxology, which makes the transition to the Lord's Prayer. Then comes the prayer for peace, the Agnus Dei, the breaking of the bread, and the distribution of the holy Gifts to the faithful, which often is done only under the form of the Body of Christ. Holy Mass ends with the meditation, thanksgiving, a concluding prayer, and a blessing by the priest. [1348 - 1355]

Wishing you all, the parishioners

A Happy and Prosperous New Year Filled with Love and Peace!

Fr. Joseph Sultana, Deacon Patrick Chang and Staff

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 28:

5:00 pm +Manuel Chiu

+Tom Alexander

+Wilhelm Tuermeier

+Hilaria Gamata

+Ernest & Merlyn Rodrigues

+Edward & Rhoda Namey

+Nestor Obsioma Sr.

+Maria D'Souza

Deceased Members of Stalmach Family Deceased Members of Sequeira and

Monteiro Families Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday December 29:

9:00 am Deceased Members of Albuerne and Alban Families

10:30 am +Nelson Manalo

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday December 30:

9:00 am +Sydney Noronha

Tuesday December 31:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention 5:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday January 1:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention 10:30 am Celebrant's Intention 12:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Thursday January 2:

9:00 am +Ignatius M. Mendes

Friday January 3:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention7:30 pm Intention of Jacquie Georges

Saturday January 4:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on Fridays starting with Mass at 9:30 am and concluded with Benediction and Mass at 7:30 pm.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18 - 25

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18 - 25, which are now also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

"VOCATIONS SEEDS"

By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you,

> contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416 - 968 - 0997 email: vocations@vocations.ca www.vocationstoronto.ca

STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCES

Toronto July 4 - 6, 2014 Mattamy Athletic Centre at the Gardens

Registration Opens January 13, 2014

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On behalf of the many families YOU have helped throughout the year, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (St. Aidan Conference) **Thank You** for your unceasing support, kindness and generosity.

THANK YOU for sharing your love and blessings with our neighbour-in-need and making them feel special. May The Good Lord Jesus, bless you and your family abundantly.

Jesus Loves You Like a Friend He holds out His hand to you. Give Him yours. (MB)

2014 New Year Program

Masses

Tuesday December 31 New Year's Eve 9:00 am and 5:00 pm

Wednesday January 1, 2014 New Year's Day 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 noon

Saturday January 4: 5:00 pm

Sunday January 5:

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 noon

'COME AND SEE' WEEKEND

"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily.

Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call.

January 31st to February 2nd, 2014 St. Augustine's Seminary

There will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years or older to spend a weekend for time of prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S LAY SPIRITUAL FORMATION PROGRAM PRESENTS...

BIOETHICS 101

By Dr. Patricia Murphy, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology St. Augustine 's Seminary

> Saturday January 25, 2014 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Please Register by e-mailing: ioftsas@rogers.com or by calling 416 261 7207 Ext. 235

Toronto Catholic Schools Welcome Kindergarten Students

The Toronto Catholic District School Board welcomes families with kindergarten-aged children to register for the September 2014 school year beginning on Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Your local Catholic school will be offering one evening of extended registration hours during the month of January. Please contact your local school for this date. Parents may also submit an application to pre-register a child at: http://soar.tsdsd.org