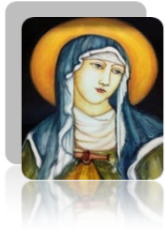


December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent



# Saint Clare of Assisi Parish

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**1<sup>st</sup> CANDLE** – (purple) **THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE** – We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)

**2<sup>nd</sup> CANDLE** – (purple) **THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PREPARATION** – God kept His promise of a Saviour who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to “get ready”. Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD! (Luke 3:4-6)

**3<sup>rd</sup> CANDLE** – (pink) **THE SHEPHERD CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY** – The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

**4<sup>th</sup> CANDLE** – (purple) **THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE** – The angels announced the good news of Saviour. God sent His only Son to earth to save us because He loves us! (John 3:16-17)

**5<sup>th</sup> CANDLE** – (white) **“CHRIST CANDLE”** – The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for His death, His death was for our birth! (John 1:29)

A PRAYER FOR THE

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jesus, you are constantly coming to your people,  
even when we fail to see you.

In each and every moment that we are blessed  
to recognize you here and now,  
give us the courage to leap with joy at your coming.

Amen.



### MASS TIMES

#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY

Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

Monday to Friday 6:00 p.m.

*Rosary, Adoration & Benediction*

#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

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**December 24** - Christmas  
Midnight Mass **11:30 p.m.**

**December 25** - Christmas Day  
Mass **10:30 a.m.**

**December 31** - New Year's Eve  
Mass **5:00 p.m.**

**January 1** – Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God Mass **10:30 a.m.**



### Fourth Sunday of Advent

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life, and she said "Yes!" ... and so, the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's will for your life to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, **call Fr. Matt McCarthy**, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997, or via email at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).



As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, all parishioners using an offertory envelope dated 2020 WILL NOT BE CREDITED TO YOUR ACCOUNT. Beginning, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, the

parish office kindly requests all parishioners who will be using the weekend offertory envelopes to **STOP** using their old 2020 envelopes.

Thank you.



Couples planning to marry in the year 2021 will be required to complete a Marriage Preparation program. Classes will be offered online through the Archdiocese of Toronto.

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