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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm & 8:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 9:15 am
Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Hours/Divine Mercy: 1 hour before Masses

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion: Wednesdays at 9:15 am

First Friday of the Month: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9:15 am Mass till 7:30 pm; Devotions at 6:30 pm; evening prayer
with Benediction 7:00 pm, Mass at 7:30 pm

Reconciliation: Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm and by appointment.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Fr. Clair Tipping, 25 Mountainberry Rd.	905-789-1741
Good Shepherd, 28 Red River Dr.	905-791-1039
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*"Providence is wonderful, it has means
we cannot understand to relieve
those who put their trust in it,
it provides for everything, in it is my trust."*

PARISH MISSION

Marguerite d'Youville's belief in the guidance and loving involvement of God in her life has enabled her to become God's helping hands in the lives of others. In this same spirit, the parishioners of St. Marguerite d'Youville, nourished by the Word and Sacrament are called by God to foster a community of welcome and service. In union with Christ, we reach out through prayer and active participation within our parish, our schools, our community and beyond. We offer our gifts and talents to everyone in need and respond in faith to the challenges of our ever-changing world.

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH



Mass Intentions

MON, DEC 27 9:15 am	Maria Angelica †; Ignatius D'Souza †; Rozitha D'Souza †; Virginia Sinajon †; Manuel & Genoveva Barbosa †
TUES, DEC 28 7:00 pm	Virginia Sinajon †; Adelina Valencia †
WED, DEC 29 9:15 am	Virginia Sinajon †
THUR, DEC 30 7:00 pm	Victoriano & Angelica Lucero †; Virginia Sinajon †
FRI, DEC 31 5:00 pm	Manuel & Genoveva Barbosa †; Madelaine Guadalupe Diaz †; Nahzeb Hashimm II †; Virginia Sinajon †; Juanito Go †
10:00 pm	
SAT, JAN 1 9:00 am	Virginia Sinajon †
10:30 am	Domenic Maida †
12:30 pm	Gilbert Lambe †
SUN, JAN 2 9:00 am	For the People of the Parish
10:30 am	Catherine Faye †
12:30 pm	Jeanine Lucero †; Virginia Sinajon †; Germano Pavao †

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I've come at last. She has kept me out for a long time, but I have got in at last. Aslan is on the move. The Witch's magic is weakening. Father Santa, from C.S. Lewis', The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe

In the classic story, made available also in a motion picture, the Father Christmas scene is quite stirring. The young heroes are being hunted by the White Witch and a slew of her evil minions. Thinking they have outwitted their nemeses in a clever hiding place, they are terrified when they sense they have been, once again, detected. Their pursuer advances and they are paralyzed with fear as the steps draw closer with the crunching of snow underfoot. The tension is broken when Father Christmas' radiant warmth bursts forth from the pages/screen. The children become still, relieved and solemn. Not only does Father Christmas come with gifts but with Good News. The Lion, Aslan, is reclaiming Narnia from the infiltrators and enslavers. The scene conveys eerily and prophetically a people who have forgotten the joy of what it is to celebrate the coming of the King. Aslan, by the unstoppable weight of his majesty, is assembling an army of those willing to join Him in combat to push back the influence of evil that has, for far too long, gripped and strangled a people who were meant to live in confidence, faith, freedom and love. In the novel, C.S. Lewis had as his setting an England in the midst of WW2 – valiantly pushing forward with all its drama of bravery and gloom; undoubtedly, that call to courage and the fight against faithless misery has spread and carried over to a battle on the spiritual front – to all parts of the world. Where the temptation to despair and bitterness is real, let us remember that He has come and once again, He is on the move. Long live Aslan!

CC Ponder

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. The multiple Lectionary reading options highlight different aspects of conception, parenting, marriage and family. The readings from 1 Samuel, Psalm 84, and 1 John are recommended.



The second reading from 1 John builds on the first reading by emphasizing the power of prayer and the interrelationship among all humans. This emphasis is more fitting for the feast of the Holy Family. In 1 John, we have an image of God as a loving father. Multiple times, we are reminded that we are all children of God. By extension, we are all united as a human family, created by a God who loves, listens and answers prayers. This reading shows the range of what it means to be family, pushing us to look beyond mere biological connection to see ourselves in relationship with all people.

The Gospel reading is another uniquely Lukan story. This narrative focuses on Jesus as a preteen traveling to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover. Although he goes with his parents, he finds himself studying and learning from teachers in the Temple. He learns from them, and they are impressed with his understanding. While Mary and Joseph worry when they are unable to locate Jesus, the Holy Family eventually reunites. The end of the story says that Jesus was obedient to them and continued to increase in wisdom and divine and human favor.

Jesus' interaction with his parents, his Father in heaven and his community show the range of familial connections that Jesus had in his life. Jesus learns and grows with his parents and with his teachers at the temple. While the Gospels record accounts of Jesus not being accepted by his family and hometown, Luke's account today offers a tradition of Jesus thriving in his community at a young age.

It is all a beautiful testament to the depth and uniqueness of this thing we call Family. And today we celebrate family life in all its abundance and shades of meaning. May God bless us all.

Fr. Roger

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH, 2021

WELCOME THE NEW YEAR IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD



You are invited to come participate in Adoring and Worshipping our Lord in His Eucharistic Presence to herald in the New Year! Be blessed as you unite your heart to His glorious presence at the dawning of a New Year. Be renewed, refreshed and strengthened by this experience as you look forward for a year filled with the peace and joy that He alone brings. O come let us Adore Him! Tuesday, December 31st starting at 10:00 pm - 1:00 am. Hosted by the SMDY Alpha Ministries.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2022 boxes of Offertory Envelopes will be available in the Narthex in alphabetical order. Please ensure you pick up your **own** box and that your name & address is correct so that when the T4 slips for income tax purposes are prepared, they will be sent with the correct name & address. If your box is not there or you need to make any changes, or you wish to begin using envelopes fill out an Envelope Request Form and return it to the office. Please DO NOT use these envelopes until **JANUARY 1, 2022**.



PARISH ENVELOPES

PLEASE DO NOT USE ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS as all numbers have been reassigned. Once you receive your new box make sure you write all your information (Name, Address and phone number) for the first couple of weeks. Thank you.

TAX DEADLINE

Our Tax deadline is December 31st, 2021, any donations processed after December 31st will count towards your 2022 donations and will not be included in your 2021 tax receipt. Thank you for your financial commitment to our parish.



SINULOG FESTIVAL

Is all set to be staged once again on Sunday, January 16, 2022, following the 12:30 pm mass. Tickets way in advance of the Santo Nino/Sinulog Festival, at \$10.00 each for adults and children, are available after every mass from December 4th until December 19th, 2021. Each ticket will entitle you to a classic Filipino boxed lunch as well as your pass to witness the drama presentation here in the main church area. Participate in knowing how the country of the Philippines became Catholic – in the Santo Nino/Sinulog Festival. Rooted in the 16th century encounter between Portuguese/Spanish explorers and their landing on the Island of Cebu, this feast highlights all the faith, vibrancy and joy that marks the legacy and fruits of that first civilizational exchange. This event is totally a 100% all-star cast and crew consisting of the very talented parishioners of SMDY Parish! For more particulars, come and see us in the Narthex.



MARRIAGE PREP COURSE

Marriage Preparation The Spring Session dates for the Marriage Preparation Course have now been set. The Course will be held for four consecutive Saturday's April 23, 30, May 7, 14, 2022. \$250.00 per couple. To sign up, please contact the parish office.



THE 55+ CLUB

The 55+ group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00pm. We will be breaking for the Holidays as of December 14th and will resume in the New year on January 11th. Wishing you peace and blessings. For more information contact Sandy at 905-791-7315 or email: sandyrobin22@gmail.com

STITCHES FROM THE HEART

Once again we are approaching the holiday season. Stitches from the heart will be on break for the holidays from December 6 and resume on Monday January 10th. On behalf of all the women Stitches From the heart group, we would like to wish you all A Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE
NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

December 27 - 30
Mass times as usual

New Year's Eve
Friday, December 31st
Holy Mary Mother of God Masses
5:00 pm Mass & 10:00 pm Mass
11:15 pm - 12:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

New Year's Day
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
Saturday, January 1
9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm Masses

Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday, January 2nd
9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm Masses

A Holy Family Prayer

Heavenly Father, you have given us the model of life in the holy family of Nazareth. Help us make our family another Nazareth where love, peace and joy reign. Teach us to see Jesus in the members of our families, especially in their distressing disguise.

May we love one another as God loves each of us, more and more each day, and forgive each other's faults as you forgive our sins. Help us take whatever you give and give whatever you take with a big smile. *Amen.*

St. Teresa of Calcutta

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