

St. Clare of Assisi Parish

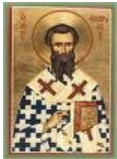
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday December 6, 2009

All flesh shall see the salvation of GOD.

-Luke 3:1-6

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES FOR THIS WEEK...



ST. AMBROSE

MONDAY



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TUESDAY



ST. JUAN DIEGO

WEDNESDAY



ST. DAMASUS I

FRIDAY



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

SATURDAY



WE WELCOME INTO OUR CHRISTIAN FAMILY

Dante Alessandro & Matteo Luca Cinelli - sons of Daniele and Lisa

Christian Giuseppe D'Astice - son of Rino and Ida

Adriana Theresa Dicintio - daughter of Francesco and Antonella

Raquel Alyssa Evely - daughter of Allan and Christine

Giovanni Pietro Francotto - son of Renzo and Elsa

Dante Iaccino - son of Albert and Michele

Sophia Ava Marrocco - daughter of Massimo and Julia

Domenic & Emily Mazzuca - son & daughter of Francesco and Antonina

Sienna Laryssa Ongaro - daughter of Stephen and Sabrina

Layla Restivo Pantalone - daughter of Carmen and Patricia

Damien Nicholas Pallotta - son of Daniele and Marilena

Gisela Pasceri - daughter of Vincenzo and Jeanette

Alexander Roan Zanetti - son of Piero and Melisa

God bless and guide these little ones through the faith and example of their Parents, Godparents and Family.



Congratulations to the following couple who were married

Saturday December 5, 2009

Nicola Melchionna and Angela Mazzei

Vittorio Dominelli and Andria Mazzeo

We offer them our best wishes and ask God to bless them and grant them happiness, peace and joy, and strength in trials, all the days of their life together.



Offertory Envelopes: We have been updating our parish census information. Please inform us if any of your information changes, especially if you are moving. Also, please note that if you are registered with envelopes and have not used them, or have used them only a few times - we have reclaimed your envelope number. Only request envelopes if you will use them regularly. Please do not use envelopes that were not assigned to you or envelopes from another parish as you will not be credited and will not receive a tax receipt. **Ensure that your name and address is indicated on your envelopes and donation amount.** We have over 9,000 registered parishioners, of which only approximately **850** envelopes are actually used. As indicated by our Finance Committee last week -- we have incurred some unforeseen expenses which have put us in a deficit position. It is in times of financial difficulty that churches need more, not less, of our help as dedicated parishioners. There will be a second collection next week for our Maintenance Fund - please give generously.



Reachout Group Pyjamas Drive - The Reach Out Committee is proud to once again participate with our faith community in our Annual Pyjama Drive to benefit needy children. The pyjamas will go to the Sisters of Charity, St. Paul's Basilica, St. Vincent De Paul Society, Rose of Sharon and the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. **Please drop off your completed packages the weekend of Dec 12, 13th, 19th & 20th.**



Want to learn more about the Knights and the good works of unity charity fraternity and patriotism? Contact our Membership Director Ralph Greco at ralph_greco1962@hotmail.com Be a part of the Knight of Columbus St. Clare of Assisi experience, recognized as the best Council in Ontario for 2008-09.



The Ladies Group is having a general meeting on Mon. Dec. 7th at 8:00pm after mass, in the church basement. This is our last meeting for 2009, hope everyone can attend. Refreshments will be served.



Attention Youth and Young Adults! On Saturday December 12 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., we will be hosting another outreach to Toronto's Downtown homeless. In addition to providing care packages of sandwiches, drinks, fresh fruit and snacks, we will also be distributing (thanks to a member of the Knights of Columbus) highly coveted warm socks. We will car pool from St. Clare's to St. Paul's Basilica in Regent Park. Please forward your

interested participation to: frrobert@stclareofassisi.org



The Rosary Apostolate is looking for volunteers who love Mother Mary and are willing to go into our Catholic Schools and pray the Rosary with the students. Training will be provided. Please contact Rose @ 905-856-6035



CHILDREN'S LITURGY CHRISTMAS INITIATIVE: This year the 10:30 a.m. St. Clare Children's Liturgy group will be focusing their Christmas Initiative on the St. Gianna Beretta Molla Centre. St. Gianna's aims at assisting and working with young, pregnant women in crisis. The services offered include: family counseling, job assistance, transportation, life skills coaching, adoption referral, education, spiritual development, and even a place of residence. All of these services are offered in a supportive, nurturing, Catholic environment. The Children's Liturgy Group will be collecting much needed baby supplies to donate to St. Gianna's. Collections will take

place on December 6, 13 and 20. Items can be dropped off in the church hall during any of the Sunday masses. Thank you for your support!

Please feel free to bring in any of the following items:

Bottles, Bottle Brushes, Bottle Warmers Diapers & Wipes, Teething Toys, Crib Toys, Rattles, Baby Toiletries, Blankets, Sippy Cups, Soothers, Baby Clothing, Baby Toys, Baby Books, Baby Shampoo and Soap

You can also donate supplies for the young women, such as:

Shampoo & Conditioner, Bubble Bath, Body Wash, Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
Deodorant, Hair Accessories, Make up, Razors, Bath & Hand Towels



"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life." Are worldly cares dragging

you down; be a follower of the Master. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416-968-0997 [email vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca) or visit www.vocationstoronto.ca