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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12:05 pm
Saturday at 9:00 am & 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday at 11:00 am

FATIMA DEVOTION

Every 1st Saturday of the month
following the 9:00 am Mass

LIVESTREAM MASS [English]

<https://www.youtube.com/@olghtamilparishstreams>
Sunday at 11:00 am

CONFESIONS

Monday to Friday at 11:30 am | Saturday at 4:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Susan Lee, Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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Rev. Fr. Charles Collins, Pastor: 416.264.6544
Sunday Masses at 12:30 & 4:30 pm (in Tamil)

Baptized into Stewardship

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. From reflecting on Jesus' baptism, we can learn more about the mystery of our own baptism which the Catechism describes as "God's most beautiful and magnificent gift" (CCC, 1216). Firstly, we realize that being God, Jesus did not need to be baptized yet chose to do so as a model for us and to reveal Himself more fully.

Firstly, the Father reveals Jesus as His "beloved Son." So too, in our baptism we receive our renewed identities as beloved sons and daughters of God. St. Paul also describes baptism as clothing ourselves with Christ (Gal 3:27). It is during this most special sacrament that our entire lives are changed for we fully recognize who we are in the eyes of God.



Secondly, the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove reveals Jesus as the Anointed One, or the Christ. Following His baptism, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the

wilderness to prepare for His mission. Similarly, during our baptism we are anointed with sacred chrism which "signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit" (CCC, 1241). Like Jesus, we too will be led by the Spirit into mission.

The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* calls all the baptized to accept their baptismal responsibility *"to place their gifts, their resources, their selves at God's service in and through the Church."* Essentially, to live out our baptism is to live as an authentic steward. **Let us ask ourselves, are we truly living out the call of stewardship we received during our baptism?**

~ Stewardship Bulletin Reflection – Archdiocese of Toronto ~

Summary

In our baptism we receive our renewed identities as beloved sons and daughters of God just as the Father called Jesus His "Beloved Son" at His baptism. Moreover, as the dove representing the Spirit descends on Jesus, so too during our baptism we are anointed with sacred chrism signifying the gift of the Spirit. Lastly, as Jesus' baptism marked the beginning of His mission, our baptism marks the start of our mission as stewards of Christ to place our gifts, resources, and very selves at God's service in and through the Church.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 12th

12:05 pm Healing intentions of Michael DeBono
requested by Libby Tillo

Tuesday, January 13th

12:05 pm † Belen & Ramon Bedana
requested by Leo & Virgie Luzano

Wednesday, January 14th

9:45 am [School Mass]

12:05 pm

Thursday, January 15th

12:05 pm † Jeff Burden
requested by Maria Bautista

Friday, January 16th

12:05 pm † Sebastia & Enerland Lenon
requested by Jenifer & Arnel Lenon

Saturday, January 17th

9:00 am

5:00 pm † Nimfa Paredes
requested by Marcos & Cholet Sibal

Sunday, January 18th

9:00 am † Luis Garcia Jr.
requested by the Garcia Family

11:00 am † Ross MacMillan

requested by Evangeline MacMillan

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4. **Note:** Your 2026 offertory envelopes can also be picked up at the parish office. Kindly call the parish office ahead of time.

Thank you for your co-operation!

SAINT MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS

Feast day: January 12th

Marguerite Bourgeoys was born in Troyes, France, on April 17, 1620. She was a girl like any other, who took care of her appearance and enjoyed entertainments until, at the age of 20, she was touched by Mary during a procession on the feast of Holy Rosary. She decided to consecrate herself to God. She entered the extern community of the cloistered teachers of the Congrégation de Notre-Dame de Troyes. She was thus able to teach poor children in the city suburbs. She worked there for 13 years, until she met Mr. de

Maisonneuve, governor of Montreal in New France.

Mr. de Maisonneuve invited Marguerite to come with him to Canada to teach in the new town founded under the name of Ville-Marie. After her arrival in 1653, aged 33, she began the construction of the Notre-Dame de Bon-Secours chapel, inspired by the Virgin Mary who had told her, "Go, I will not abandon you."

The Christian education of children began only four years later. In the meantime, she devoted herself to social work with young families and the filles du roi who had come to Canada to marry settlers. She visited the sick, buried the dead, consoled the afflicted and taught catechism to the settlers. She was called "the Mother of the colony."

On a trip to France, Marguerite brought back with her three school teachers and three fellow nuns of from her community. She opened small schools all over the shores of New France. In 1658, with her companions, she founded the Congregation of Notre-Dame of Montréal. The religious congregation was approved by the Church in 1698. Marguerite Bourgeoys pronounced her vows when she was 78 years old. She died at age 80 on January 12, 1700.

Marguerite Bourgeoys was declared Venerable in 1878, was beatified by Pius XII on November 12, 1950, and was finally canonized by John Paul II on October 31, 1982. The liturgical feast of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys is January 12.

The charism of visitation

Marguerite Bourgeoys was attracted to the life of Mary, the mother of Jesus, especially by two events reported in the gospels: first, Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth who was pregnant, then her presence among the apostles on Pentecost Day. Visiting, going out to meet others, listening to them, welcoming them—such is the charism Marguerite Bourgeoys handed down to the religious of the Congregation of Notre-Dame. Mary has become a model of involvement characterized by visitation, compassion and solidarity with the impoverished, the excluded or the oppressed.



Patronal feast of the Visitation

The Congregation of Notre-Dame was the first female religious community established in Ville-Marie, which in 1836 became the Diocese of Montreal. This is why the patronal feast day of the Diocese of Montreal is the Visitation, celebrated on May 31. The diocesan faith education project, "Proposing Jesus Christ today," also reminded us at the outset that the first evangelization mission of the New Testament, done by Mary, was an encounter, a Visitation.

<https://www.diocesemontreal.org/en/archdiocese/history/saint-marguerite-bourgeoys>

Reflection

When Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys was unsure of what to do with the next phase of her life, she prayed for guidance. When an answer to her prayers came, she was open to what God was calling her to do. When you pray to God for guidance or help, are you open to the answer that you receive? Pray that your ears be open to God's answer, and your heart be open to living out what you are called to do.

Prayer

God, I want to be a hearer and a doer. (*Taken from "Good News Day by Day: Bible Reflections for Teens."*)



New Beginnings ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or bereavement.

Share discussions with others in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental online forum.

Topic: January Grief: new promises, new possibilities
Moderator: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, MACP, RP (Qualifying)

Online Drop-In Bereavement

Support Session

Date: January 28, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbbd0126.eventbrite.ca>

Online Drop-In Separated/Divorced

Support Session

Date: January 29, 2026 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbsdd0126.eventbrite.ca>

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