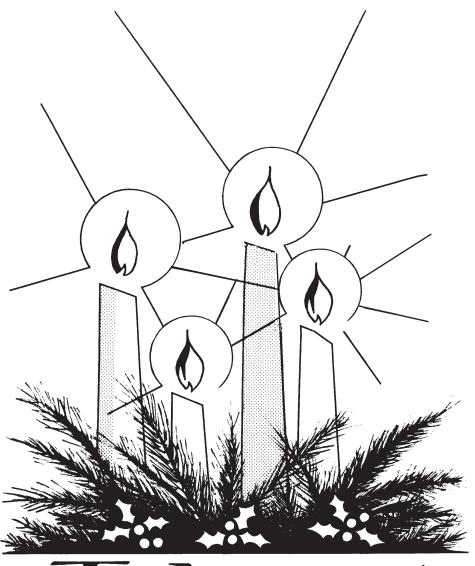
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Advent



DECEMBER 18, 2022

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

God Is with Us: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: Isaiah 7:10–14 Psalm 24:1–6 Romans 1:1–7 Matthew 1:18–24

The mystery kept secret for long ages, promised through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, is today revealed (see Romans 16:25–26). This is the "Gospel of God" that Paul celebrates in today's Epistle—the



good news that "God is with us" in Jesus Christ. The sign promised to the House of David in today's First Reading is given in today's Gospel. In the virgin found with child, God Himself has brought to Israel a savior from David's royal line (see Acts 13:22-23). Son of David according to the flesh, Jesus is the Son of God, born of the Spirit. He will be anointed with the Spirit (see Acts 10:38), and by the power of Spirit will be raised from the dead and established at God's right hand in the heavens (see Acts 2:33–34; Ephesians 1:20–21). He is the "King of Glory" we sing of in today's Psalm. The earth in its fullness has been given to Him. And as God swore long ago to David, His Kingdom will have no end (see Psalm 89:4-5). In Jesus Christ we have a new creation. Like the creation of the world, it is a work of the Spirit, a blessing from the Lord (see Genesis 1:2). In Him, we are saved from our sins, are called now "the beloved of God." All nations now are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to enter into the House of David and kingdom of God, the Church, Together, through the obedience of faith, we have been made a new race—a royal people that seeks for the face of the God of Jacob. He has made our hearts clean; He has made us worthy to enter His holy place, to stand in His presence and serve Him. In the Eucharist, the everlasting covenant is renewed, the Advent promise of virgin with childwith us—continues until the end of the age (see Matthew 28:20; Ezekiel 37:24–28).

Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com



DECEMBER 17TH TO DECEMBER 24TH 2022

Sat Dec 17th 5:00pm - Molly, Syd and David
Watson†

Sun Dec 18th 7:30am - Ciriaco Dizont

9:00am - Paes Family

10:30am - People of the Parish

12:00pm - Franklinpedro Agnis

Serrano†

Mon Dec 19th 8:30am - Vejandre G. Picana†

Tue Dec 20th 8:30am - Vejandre G. Picana†

WedDec 21st 7:30pm - Thanksgiving for Escalada Yap and Salmon and Quebral Families; Healing for Anne Dyer; and Augusto da Silva†

Thu Dec 22nd 8:30am - Catherine Nedia+

Fri Dec 23rd 7:30pm - Birthday Thanksgiving for Simeon Barcelon

Sat Dec 24th 8:30am - Wilma Van Os†; Ma. Concepsion Elias Escota for good dad



OUR SICK:

Clescadine Gustave Pengelly, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Edna Zetazate, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, Vernon Pingol, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi,

Anna Tomasi, Joan Plouffe, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Edward Kaminski, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Ursula Solomon, Holly MacInninis, Norma Diso, Jennifer Solomon, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Lilia D. Perez, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Jean Schofield, Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



If your child has not yet registered for the Sacrament of Confirmation, or if you know of anyone who has not received their Sacrament of Confirmation, please ask them to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible at 416-261-5983 to pick up a registration package.

If you attended the Registration and have not yet dropped off your Registration Form, Baptism Certificate and registration fee, please do so ASAP.

Enrollment Ceremony

The enrollment ceremony where you will receive the Confirmation cross is on the weekend of **January 14th/15th, 2023 at any one of the Five (5) Masses.**

PARISH DAY OF CONFESSION FOR ADVENT

Confessions at St. Boniface Parish will be held on **Thursday**, **December 22nd from 7pm to 10pm**. There will be a number of priests available.



SCARBOROUGH VILLAGE THEATRE

We are the community theatre at 3600 Kingston Road (at the junction of Markham and Kingston Roads).

Our next play, A Christmas Spirit, starts on December 2nd and runs for 3 weeks. In this off-beat, dark comedy Julia Dowling has an unexpected visitor on Christmas Eve, whose job is to escort her to the afterlife. Julia persuades her visitor to hold off for one day and invites him and his other "passenger" to the family party the next day. This is an amusing yet thought-provoking mixture of Death Takes a Holiday and a typical family festive get-together, complete with bickering relatives, an unsure priest and a budding romance. Recommended for age 14 and up. Mature themes.

For more details, see our website at theatrescarborough.com or call our box office at 416-267-9292.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday, December 26th 2022 to Monday, January 2nd 2023.



CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE



CHRISTMAS EVE SATURDAY DECEMBER 24TH

7:00 PM (Mass with Children's pageant) 9:00 PM and 12 MIDNIGHT

CHRISTMAS DAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

(**NO** 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM OR NOON MASSES)

New Year's Eve - Saturday December 31st 5:00 pm



NEW YEAR'S DAY SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM AND 12:00 PM (NO 7:30 AM MASS)



<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE 2022</u> CHRISTMAS PROJECT

HELP OUR CHILDREN STAY WARM AND DRY !!

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for the Children at our Parish
Schools, St. Boniface,
St. Nicholas and St. Agatha. (Ages 4 to 14 years)

Parishioners are invited to participate in this endeavour. A box is placed at the Entrance of the Church for donations.

The collection will continue through to January 8th, 2023.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



The Christmas Pageant will resume at the Christmas Eve, Mass on December 24th at 7:00 pm.

Christmas Pageant

Calling all children ages 4 and up who would like to be an angel or

a shepherd, to come and be part of this wonderful celebration. Anyone interested in the role of Mary or Joseph is also asked to come and be a part of this wonderful celebration. Mary and Joseph roles are given to older youth perhaps grade 9.

Practices will be on December 4th & 11th after the 12pm Mass, and on December 18th at 3 nm

For more information for those that are interested, please contact Trinity Carlos at

trinitycarlos0610@gmail.com. Thank you.



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