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### WELCOME

To all who gather with us in prayer and worship this weekend; it is a blessing to have you here!

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass  
(Sept - June)

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.  
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.  
Friday: 8:00 a.m.

#### ADORATION (1 HOUR)

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
*\*Or by appointment*

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Ross Campbell	Pastor
Fr. Moices Caballero	Associate
Rev. Mr. Gian Girolami	Deacon
Mr. John Obinna Emelle	Seminarian
Mr. Stefano De Feo	Administrator
Ms. Wes Moga	Youth Minister
Mrs. Jean Goobie	Bookkeeper

#### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
*\*Closed for Lunch: 12:00 - 12:30*



### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 20 & 21, 2025

#### PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

St. Francis Xavier .....(905) 523-2333  
St. Martin of Tours .....(905) 523-2334  
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St. Clare of Assisi .....(905) 523-2344  
Our Lady of Peace .....(905) 523-2330

#### PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOL

St. John Henry Newman ..... (905) 523-2314

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<b>TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23</b> + Nicola Baccala	<b>8:00AM</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>4:00PM</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>7:00PM</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>12:00AM</b>
<b>THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>8:00AM</b>
<b>THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>10:00AM</b>
<b>THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>12:00PM</b>
<b>FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26</b> NO MASS	<b>8:00AM</b>

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS

<b>SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27</b> + Fiorello Morganti + Cecylia Kulak + Martin Thien Phu Nguyen + Nicolo Cino + Stefano Fortunato + Eduard Hirsch + Raffaele Del Monaco + Paride & Maria Di Stefano + Michele & Domenica Del Monaco + Domenico & Rosario Almonte + Katherine Scott + Alyssa Tai + Abdullah Yahya + Margaret Martins + Lorenzo Micheli + Scott Duffield + Connie & Antonio Gonnella + Maria & Giulio Di Nicola + Umberto Spadafora + Deceased Members of the Colucci Family	<b>5:30PM</b>
<b>SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28</b> + Nicolo Cino	<b>9:00AM</b>
<b>SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28</b> - Mass for the Parishioners	<b>11:00AM</b>

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Welcomes YOU!**

Whether you are new to our parish, or have been with us for many years, your presence leaves a unique mark on the life of our church. As your Pastor, I am excited you are with us today to build an even stronger parish community now and into the future.



Fr. Ross Campbell

## HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED HOW MUCH TO DONATE?

Historically, Catholic tithing involved offering **10%** of one's income to support the Church and its community. While this is no longer a strict requirement, the table below provides a helpful guideline for considering your contribution to meet the Church's current needs, including paying down our loan and funding the Bell Tower project.

\*\*\*A tax-deductible receipt will be provided for your donation.\*\*\*

<u>Annual Income</u>	<u>% Range</u>	<u>Per Sunday</u>	<u>Annual Contribution</u>
\$20,000	2-4%	\$7.50 - \$15	\$400 - \$800
\$30,000	2-4%	\$11 - \$22	\$600 - \$1,200
\$40,000	2-4%	\$15 - \$30	\$800 - \$1,600
\$50,000	2-4%	\$18.50 - \$37	\$1,000 - \$2,000
\$60,000	2-4%	\$22 - \$44	\$1,200 - \$2,400
\$80,000	2-4%	\$30 - \$60	\$1,600 - \$3,200

## OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 7,707.00
Loose Collection	\$ 779.05
Online Donations	\$ 2,560.23
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 11,046.28</b>

**Thank You!**

**REMEMBER YOUR PARISH** Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

# DECEMBER 20 & 21, 2025

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 22

1 Samuel 1.24-28; 1 Samuel 2.1, 4-5, 6-7, 8;  
Luke 1.46-56

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23

Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6; Psalm 25.4-5, 8-9, 10+14;  
Luke 1.57-66

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24—CHRISTMAS EVE

Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7; Psalm 96.1-2, 3-4, 11-12, 13  
Titus 2.11-14; Luke 2.1-16

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25—CHRISTMAS DAY

Isaiah 62.11-12; Psalm 97.1-2, 5-6, 11-12  
Titus 3.4-7; Luke 2.15-20

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26—ST. STEPHEN

Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59; Psalm 31.2-3, 5+7, 15-16;  
Matthew 10.17-22

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27—ST. JOHN

1 John 1.1-4; Psalm 97.1-2, 5-6, 11-12;  
John 20.2-8

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14; Psalm 128.1-2, 3, 4-5;  
Colossians 3.12-21; Matthew 2.13-15, 19-23

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

<b>Tuesday - 23rd</b>	8:00 am - Mass
<b>Wednesday - 24th</b>	~ <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> ~ 8:00 am - <b>NO MORNING MASS</b> 3:30 pm - CHRISTmas Pageant 4:00 pm - CHRISTmas Eve Mass 7:00 pm - CHRISTmas Eve Mass 12:00 am - CHRISTmas Eve Mass
<b>Thursday - 25th</b>	~ <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> ~ 8:00 am - CHRISTmas Day Mass 10:00 am - CHRISTmas Day Mass 12:00 pm - CHRISTmas Day Mass
<b>Friday - 26th</b>	~ <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> ~ 8:00 am - <b>NO MASS</b> 8:30 am - <b>NO ADORATION</b>
<b>Saturday - 27th</b>	4:30 pm - Confessions 5:30 pm - Mass
<b>Sunday - 28th</b>	9:00 am - Mass 11:00 am - Mass

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

<b>Monday</b>	Rev. Richard Dordunu
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. Robert Kiffman
<b>Wednesday</b>	Consecrated Virgin Candidates
<b>Thursday</b>	The Nativity of The Lord
<b>Friday</b>	Rev. Jason Kuntz
<b>Saturday</b>	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk

## OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be **CLOSED**:  
**December 24th—January 2nd**

The office will **REOPEN**:  
**Tuesday, January 6 at 9:00am**

*Merry CHRISTmas & Happy New Year!*

## YEAR-END DONATIONS

In accordance with CRA guidelines, we are unable to record 2025 donations that are received in 2026.

If you wish to make a 2025 year-end donation, please ensure it is received on or before December 31, 2025.

Any donations received on or after January 1, 2026 will be included on your 2026 income tax receipt.

Thank you greatly for your continued support!

Fr. Ross will announce when the **2025 Income Tax Receipts** are ready. Please watch the bulletin for further details.

## 4th Sunday of Advent

### December 20 & 21

Saturday 5:30 pm ..... Mass  
Sunday 9:00 am ..... Mass  
Sunday 11:00 am ..... Mass

## CHRISTmas Mass Schedule

December 24 .....No Morning Mass

### CHRISTmas Eve - December 24

Wednesday 3:30 pm Children's Nativity Pageant  
Wednesday 4:00 pm ..... Mass  
Wednesday 7:00 pm ..... Mass  
Wednesday 12:00 Midnight ..... Mass

### CHRISTmas Day - December 25

Thursday 8:00 am ..... Mass  
Thursday 10:00 am ..... Mass  
Thursday 12:00 pm ..... Mass

## CHRISTmas Week Schedule

December 26 .....No Morning Mass

### Feast of the Holy Family

### December 27 & 28

Saturday 5:30 pm ..... Mass  
Sunday 9:00 am ..... Mass  
Sunday 11:00 am ..... Mass

December 30 ..... No Morning Mass

### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

December 31 ..... No Morning Mass

### New Year's Eve - December 31

Wednesday 5:30 pm ..... Mass

### New Year's Day - January 1

Thursday 11:00 am ..... Mass

## First Week of New Year

January 2 ..... No Morning Mass  
January 3 5:30 pm ..... Mass  
January 4 9:00 am ..... Mass  
January 5 11:00 am ..... Mass

## 2026 DONATION ENVELOPES

Donation Envelope Boxes are now available for pick up in the Parish Centre Entrance.

Anyone using pre-authorized debit is asked to please contact the office to ensure that their information is current and accurate.

Please, for the first few weeks, write out your name and address on the envelopes. As well as please recycle your 2025 envelopes.

## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



Our annual CHRISTmas pageant will be taking place this year on CHRISTmas Eve! The pageant tells the story of Jesus' birth, read aloud from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke, with students in Grades 3-7 playing the roles of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, wisemen, angels, scribes, and King Herod, as well as serving as our readers.

The Pageant will begin at approximately 3:30 pm on CHRISTmas Eve, followed by a few songs led by our Youth Choir, before Mass commences at 4:00 pm. Our young people invite you to join them as they celebrate the birth of our Saviour!

St. Francis Xavier Parish  
**CHRISTMAS  
BAZAAR**

2026

**ARE YOU SETTING UP OR PUTTING AWAY YOUR CHRISTMAS ITEMS AND REALIZE YOU NO LONGER NEED OR WANT SOME OF THEM? WE CAN HELP!**

We are looking for Christmas items for next year's 2026 Christmas Bazaar for our Christmas Corner - non-perishable, new, or gently used Christmas items are being sought!

Please bring your Christmas items to the office during business hours:  
Tuesday to Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm (closed between 12:00pm to 12:30pm).  
304 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek, 905-662-8593 or

before or after Mass in the Narthex.

*Please note: No food or clothing items.  
All items will be stored at the Parish.*



## RECIPE

### ROASTED ALMOND COOKIES

- 5 eggs
- 20 oz sugar
- 1 grated lemon
- 20 oz almonds
- 20 oz flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder



Preheat the oven to 375°F. Beat eggs and sugar well. Add flour, grated lemon and baking powder. Roast almonds separately for 10 minutes. Add to the rest of the ingredients. Bake in oven for 20 to 25 minutes.

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