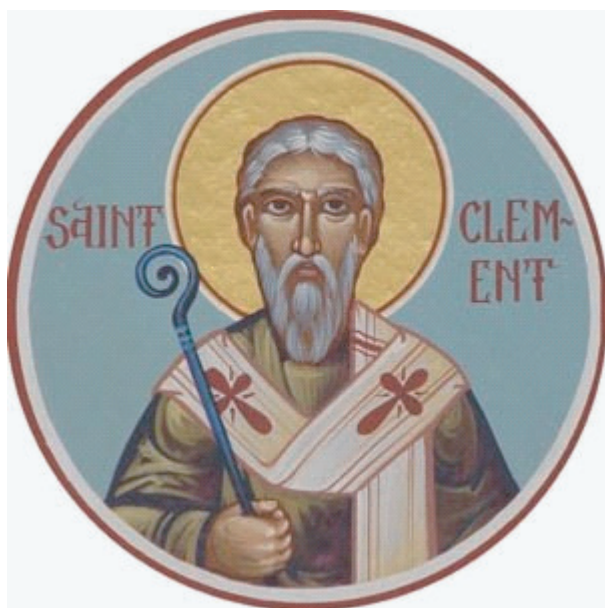


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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - Vigil Mass - 4:45 p.m.
Sunday - 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday to Friday: 8:15 a.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. To 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

BAPTISMS

Registered Parishioners. Preparation Programme required before a date will be set.
Please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners. Marriage Course required. Set no date before meeting with the priest. The Bishop must be consulted in the case of a previous marriage.

CARE OF THE SICK

Communion for the homebound upon request. Anointing of the Sick for the seriously ill, or those undergoing surgery.
Please call the Parish Office.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Interested in becoming Catholic? Join our programme for the Christian Initiation of Adults.
Please call the Parish Office.

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Monday to Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Mass Intentions



for the Week

8:15am	Dec 3	Tue	+Souls in Purgatory
8:15am	Dec 4	Wed	+Pat Turner Calnan
8:15am	Dec 5	Thu	+Marcel Boudreau
8:15am	Dec 6	Fri	+Marcel Boudreau
9:00am	Dec 7	Sat	Multiple Intentions
4:45pm	Dec 7	Sat	+Veronica Riesner
9:30am	Dec 8	Sun	+ Fr. Olavo Velho-Pereira
11:30am	Dec 8	Sun	Parishioners



From the desk of Fr. Tim...

SUGGESTIONS FOR CELEBRATING ADVENT 2024

Advent is a season of joyful preparation for the coming of Christ, with true joy the knowledge that loving God will clear away all the obstacles we ourselves have made to his coming into our lives in full. We begin therefore in a spirit of repentance as we *“await with joyful hope the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ”*. In that spirit, I offer the following as suggestions for celebrating Advent 2024:

PRAY daily using the Sunday or Weekday Advent Mass Readings

VISIT OUR ADORATION CHAPEL - *Open Monday to Friday 7 a.m. to Noon* for a quiet time of prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament

ATTEND WEEKDAY MASS during this season - the powerful symbolism of the readings and prayers will be a peaceful reprieve from this busy season.

COME TO FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND HOLY HOUR ON DECEMBER 6 - Mass at 8:15 a.m. followed by a Holy Hour in the Church from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

INVITE A FRIEND, loved one or neighbour to join you for Sunday mass in Advent

SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED through your support of the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection (which funds the good works of the Society at Christmas and throughout 2025). Extra envelopes are available at the doors of the church and can be dropped into

the Sunday offertory basket or dropped off at the parish office. Cheques payable please to **SVDP Society- St. Clement** and please fill in the information on the donation envelope to receive a tax receipt. **VISIT THE LONELY**, the sick, those who mourn - perhaps inviting one of them to join your family for Christmas mass or dinner this year.

BE RECONCILED TO GOD and one another through the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) before Christmas. Advent has been called a “smaller Lent,” and is as important a season as the one leading up to the Resurrection. This Sacrament of Reconciliation is available as follows:

Every Saturday between 3:30 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. or anytime by appointment

Archdiocesan Week of Confessions:

(see www.archtoronto.org/confession/ for times of confessions for Etobicoke parishes).

Here at St. Clement Parish confessions are on:

Thursday, December 19: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

(2 priests available)

Friday, December 20: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

(2 priests available)

Saturday, December 21: 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

(2 priests available)

THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent Wreath is a focus for prayer during the four weeks leading up to Christmas. It marks the steps in our Advent journey. The wreath is a circle of evergreen branches with four candles, three purple and one rose (pink), one for each of the Sundays of Advent.



ADVENT WREATH BLESSING

God of hope and love,
 we praise you for sending Jesus, your Son,
 to save us from our sins
 and to be the light in our darkness.
 Bless us as we gather in his name,
 and bless this wreath as a sign of your unending love
 and of Jesus’ presence among us.
 Keep us watchful in prayer
 as we await his return in glory.
 We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives with you and the Holy Spirit,
 in eternal glory, God for ever and ever. Amen.

ADVENT CANDLES



are available for purchase after each mass again this weekend (\$10 per set) with proceeds going to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING/DONATE NOW



Thank you for your continued support of our parish, especially through your use of offertory envelopes and/or Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) or through our "Donate Now" online donation feature.

Sunday Offertory envelopes for 2025 are available for pick up at the doors of the church. There are no pre-assigned numbers. Pick up any box, fill in the first gray registration envelope and begin using your envelopes on New Year's Day, January 1, 2025.

I thank those who are currently using the option of Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) here at the parish and remind them to pick up a set of 2025 envelopes for the special collection envelopes that are not part of PAG. To register for PAG please complete the forms located at each door of the church.

Finally, for those interested in making donations by credit card, thank you for using the "Donate Now" button on our parish website to make a single or monthly donation to our parish as well.

Thank you for supporting our parish community!

FIRST RECONCILIATION

We congratulate our Grade 2 students who celebrated their First Reconciliation this past Saturday, November 23 or Wednesday, November 27.

Special thanks to Sr. Christina and our parish catechists for guiding them to this wonderful moment.



MINISTRY FAIR FOLLOW UP

Thank you again for the wonderful response to our October Ministry Fair- over 160 positions signed up for! By the end of the month most of those who signed up should have heard from me or the Ministry Co-Ordinator about next steps to begin their ministry here at St. Clement. Please note that those who signed up for our Youth Ministry and Refugee Sponsorship Committee will be contacted in December for a January organizing meeting.

Training sessions for those who signed up for the various liturgical ministries are as follows:

Ministers of the Word:

Saturday, November 30 at 11 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Saturday, December 7 at 10 a.m.

Altar Servers:

Saturday, December 14 at 10 a.m.

Thank you again!

ALTAR SERVERS- GRADE 3 AND UP



We thank our excellent altar servers for their dedication each Sunday, but we are also welcoming new altar servers (Grade 3 and up) who would like to join this important ministry.

Please see Fr. Tim or Sr. Christina after

mass or leave a message at the parish office.

Training will be offered on **Saturday, December 14 at 10 a.m.** in the church.

JOIN US FOR A PRE-CHRISTMAS SOCIAL!

No tickets- No admission fee

Free will offering at door

Friday, December 13, 2024

St. Clement Parish Hall

Updated menu:

Dinner - Portuguese Chicken or Fish

Desserts, Tea and Coffee, soft drinks

Bar available to purchase wine and beer

Games and Activities for the Kids!

Reserve a spot for you and your family

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