# **QUESTIONS ON MARRIAGE**

# I am catholic but my fiancé is not. Does he have to convert before we can get married in the Catholic Church?

No. If the only reason for one to convert is that he or she can have a "nice church wedding" the answer is no. People should only convert when they intend to practice their Catholic faith at all times.

A practicing Roman Catholic can marry a non-Catholic in a church providing that both are free to marry, know each other well, have the intention that it be for life, and that the non-Catholic respects the right of the Catholic spouse to want to baptize their children.

If a Catholic marries another Christian (Anglican, Lutheran, Presbyterian, United, etc.), permission is to be obtained from the Archdiocese and then it is called a "Mixed Marriage".

If a Catholic wants to marry a Jew, a Buddhist, a Muslim or a person of no-religion, the permission requested in this case is for a marriage with "Disparity of Cult".

In both previous cases, the wedding is celebrated without Mass. The same applies for Catholics that do not practice their faith or have no understanding of the Holy Eucharist.

# Can a priest celebrate a wedding outside of a church, for example, at a park, at a banquet hall or at someone's garden?

No. The general rule is that Catholic weddings are to be celebrated in a church. However, there are exceptions, such as when one is very sick and cannot make it to the church.

#### What documents do I need?

A recent copy of the baptismal certificate, a confirmation certificate, and a certificate of proof of having taken and completed a marriage preparation course.

Envelopes for 2022	Prayer of Petition
A friendly reminder, for those who are contributing to St. Mary's Church by way of	I asked for health that I might do great things; <i>I was given infirmity that I might do better things</i> .
envelopes, they are placed in the gathering space by the entrance of the church.	I asked for riches that I might be happy; <i>I was given poverty that I might be wise.</i>
<u>Tax Receipts</u>	I asked for power that I might have the praise of men; I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.
In February, we will start preparing our tax receipts, once they are ready, we will mail	I asked for all things that I might enjoy life; <i>I was given life that I might enjoy all things</i> .
them. To make sure you receive your receipt without delays, please notify the office of any address changes.	I got nothing that I asked for, but everything I hoped for. Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered. I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

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OFFICE HOURS Mon.– Fri. 8:30—12:00 and 1:00—4:00 pm

> Sunday Masses 8:30 am Portuguese 10:00 am Portuguese 11:30 am English 1:00 pm. English

Weekday Masses	
Monday—Friday	9:00 am Portuguese 6:00 pm English
Saturday	5:00 pm English 6:30 pm Portuguese

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Parish Council

**Parish Finance Council** 

Legion of Mary

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Friday of Every Month at 5:00 p.m.

#### **English Choir**

**Portuguese Choir** Ana da Silva 905-891-5444 Santo Cristo Joey Teves 647-887-2804 Santo Cristo Band (Hall) 416-703-2231 Marco Lima (President) 416-818-5462 Santo Cristo Association Please contact the parish 416-703-2326 **Espirito Santo** John & Lucy Silva 905-890-4771 Saint Vincent De Paul 416-247-8868 Volunteer Co-ordinator Delia Medeiros (contact the parish) **Baptism**—Sundays Baptisms will be booked by appointment only

**Marriages** Please contact the priest 12 months in advance

# Confessions

Every day before Mass, except on Sunday

# Schools

St. Mary Elementary Bishop Macdonell

416-393-5205 416-393-5462



II Sunday in Ordinary Time

# January 16, 2022

The First Reading contains a message of hope for God's people at one of the lowest moments in their history. Jerusalem lay in ruins. The city's plight reflected that of the nation as a whole.

Israel, once God's bride, was now like a widow bereft of children.

However, her husband, God, has not forgotten her.

There will be a new wedding feast, and God and his people will be like newlyweds again.

# Psalm: Declare the marvelous works of the Lord among all the peoples!

This prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus who replaced the old order with the new. This is symbolized by the changing of water into wine. (Gospel) The miracle of Cana links this Sunday with the feast of the Epiphany and with Jesus' Baptism—all are epiphanies of his glory.

## Sing A New Song

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Yahweh's people dance for joy. O come before the Lord. And play for him on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.

Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.

# We Come to Your Table

Gentle Jesus risen Lord, We come to Your table With our hearts so full of joy, We come to Your table.

# We come, we come, We come to your table. (2x)

Bringing gifts of all we are, We come to Your table. Gifts of love and life and joy, We come to Your table.

In Your Body we find life, We come to Your table. Life You gave for us to share, We come to Your table.

# One Bread, One Body

One bread, one body, one Lord of all One cup of blessing which we bless And we, though many, throughout the earth We are one body in this one Lord

> Gentile or Jew Servant or free Woman or man No more

Many the gifts, many the works One in the Lord of all.

> Grain for the fields Scattered and grown Gathered to one for all.

# Joyful, Joyful we adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, Singing bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee.

### Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday, January 15 5:00 pm. José Manuel Oliveira Correia

6:30 pm. José Almeida—Abel da Rocha

Sunday, January 16 8:30 am. Nelissa da Mota

**10:00 am.** Community — Clementina & Eddie Pinarreta, Alexandrina & Evaristo Pinarreta, Maria dos Santos & Jacinto Paiva, Manuel Carlos Leal— Maria Póvoa—Jaime de Sousa—Licinio Nazaré de Oliveira

11:30 am.

1:00 pm. Kevin Fria

Monday, January 17 9:00 am. Manuel de Amaral Morgado 6:00 pm. José Pascoal

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 am. 6:00 pm.

Wednesday, January 19 9:00 am. Marta da Silva & Maria Cordeiro 6:00 pm.

Thursday, January 20 9:00 am. Souls in purgatory 6:00 pm. Nelson de Melo

Friday, December 21 9:00 am. Intention of Inez Rodrigues, spouse & children 6:00 pm.

Saturday, January 22 5:00 pm. Mariano Machado—António & Manuel Faria

6:30 pm. Avelino Magalhães