

Press Release

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St. Joseph's Health Centre Welcomes First Baby of the New Year

TORONTO, January 5, 2009 – A north Etobicoke family had quite the celebration on New Year's Day!

Matthew Kuklinski and Pamela Vera rang in 2010 with the arrival of their first child, Jakub.

The healthy baby boy was born at 1:44 a.m. January 1, weighing in at 8 lbs. 15 oz. Jakub is also St. Joseph's Health Centre's first official New Year's baby.

New mom Pamela, who planned to deliver her baby at St. Joseph's, said she had a wonderful pregnancy and was thrilled at the arrival of her son. "After being in labour for quite some time, he just didn't want to come out! So finally they decided to do the c-section." She was certainly looking forward to returning home to get some much needed rest and relaxation after all of the New Year's Day excitement.

"The care I received by my obstetrician, Dr. Sue Wong, was great (throughout my pregnancy) and all of the staff here at St. Joe's were really amazing with me also," said the new mom.

On behalf of St. Joseph's, congratulations to the Kuklinski and Vera family on welcoming their new baby boy.



Proud parents Pamela and Matthew hold their bundle of joy, Jakub, born at 1:44 a.m. New Year's Day.

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