ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Christopher's Parish is a believing community committed to manifesting Christ's love through celebrating the sacraments, sharing gospel values, serving one another and all who hunger for Jesus.

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Associate Pastor: Permanent Deacon: Pastoral Assistant: Youth Minister: Music Director: Parish Secretary: Accounting: Sacristan: Rev. Scott R. Young Rev. Jaime Perea Castro Deacon Terence Da Silva Deacon Michael E. Minkowski Michelle Brylowski Levy Anne Ramos Michelle Brylowski Eleonora Bettio Arnold Rego Narda Van Dyk

BAPTISM

Second and fourth Sunday of every month by appointment at 1:45 p.m. Parents are asked to take a baptismal class. You may prepare for the sacrament three months before the birth of your child.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. Do not book a hall or choose music until you have spoken to the priest.

If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS & CHILDREN

Those wishing to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith are invited to contact us.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

At all weekend Masses.

MOTHERS' GROUP

Second Wednesday of the month in the Msgr. Hickey Lounge at 7:30 p.m. Contact: paola@catholicmomsgroup.com

BIBLE SHARING GROUP

Wednesday mornings in the JC Room at 9:30 - 11:15 a.m. Mid-September through May.

LEGION OF MARY

Thursday mornings in the JC Room at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday evenings in the JC Room at 7:00 p.m.

EDGE YOUTH MINISTRY

For youths in Grades 6, 7, 8 First and Third Friday nights of the month in the parish hall from 7:00 to 9:00pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fourth Monday of the month in the parish hall at 8:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS & ARTICLES STORE

Open after the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass and all Sunday Masses

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Christopher	Antoinette Hilario, Princ.	905-822-0721
St. Helen	Paul Basran, Princ.	905-822-4564
St. Louis	Laura DiGiambattista, Princ.	905-822-8251
St. Luke	Linus O'Neil, Princ.	905-274-2760
Iona Catholic S.S.	Carl Cini, Princ.	905-823-0136





SUNDAY EUCHARIST Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

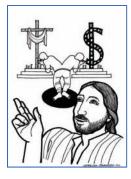
Saturday: 10:00 a.m.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK & SHUT-INS Call parish office for home visit.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By request through the parish office.

PARISH OUTREACH PHONE NUMBER 416-580-3982



"No slave can serve two masters. You cannot serve God and wealth."

SPECIAL COLLECTION Next weekend - September 28/29 The Bishops' Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada



Special envelopes are at all the doors of the church.



Check out our new website! We are pleased to announce the launch of our brand new website! After several months of hard work and dedication, we are delighted to officially announce the launch and

share all the exciting features we've prepared for you. We will continue to update our content with helpful information, articles, blogs, newsletters and parish announcements so make sure to check in with us often. We hope you find the new website with a fresh look, easy to access information and valuable resources. Please visit us at stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org

Post-Secondary Campus Ministry & Chaplaincy Connect

Attention Post-Secondary Students: Are you new on campus and looking for a place to belong? Check out Catholic campus ministry! Find your Catholic home on campus in the GTA and across Canada by connecting at <u>www.chaplaincyconnect.ca</u>

Volunteers are needed for Confirmation

both adult and youth. An information (dinner) meeting will be held on **Monday**, **October 7 at 6:30pm** to discuss the new program. Please call or email Michelle at the parish office to confirm your attendance at the meeting.

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who are sick Cathy Stamper

For those who have died Patrick & Christopher Hendrick Lalitha Miranda

Humanitarian Relief - Bahamas, Caribbean

Last week, Hurricane Dorian devastated the Caribbean nation of the Bahamas, and caused significant damage in Nova Scotia and along the Atlantic coast of the United States.

The hurricane moved excruciatingly slowly across the Bahamian island of Abaco, leaving most buildings and infrastructure destroyed. More than 70,000 people in the Bahamas are expected to need emergency assistance, including food, shelter, electricity and safe drinking water. A still unknown number of people are missing and at least 50 people dead — a number that is expected to rise quickly over the coming weeks as more bodies are recovered.

In an effort to support those that have been most directly impacted by Hurricane Dorian, the Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting funds that will be sent through our Catholic relief partners. Contributions can be made through our parishes and through the Archdiocese of Toronto online portal at <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

 Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>

- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: St. Christopher Parish – 2019 Hurricane Dorian – Disaster Relief.

We offer our prayers for all those impacted by this natural disaster. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to assist those in crisis.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

Our children's Liturgy program is looking for both youth and adult leaders. We are looking for enthusiastic people to share the Gospel with the children of the Parish. There will be a meeting for all volunteers new and experienced on **Wednesday**, **September 25, at 6 pm** in the church hall. For more information you can contact Levy at Lramos@archtoronto.org

Bishop Barron on the Mass

The Parish will be putting on a six part presentation on the Mass, based on a CD program made by Bishop Barron. The program discusses each element of the mass, explaining what these mean and why they are significant. Discussion will be facilitated by Deacon Mike together with Deacon Miguel Da Silva from St. Martin of Tours Parish.

The program will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall on the following nights: October 2, 9, 30 &November 6, 13, 27.



Confirmation Information Meeting

Confirmation classes will be starting in October, the week after Thanksgiving, and there will be

Information sessions on

Monday, September 23rd at 7 pm or

Tuesday, September 24th at 7 pm

Parents and candidates are asked to attend <u>ONE</u> of these meetings together.

If your child is in Grade 7 or is 12 years old or older, please attend one of the meetings to find out more about class schedules.

For more information, please call the office to speak with Michelle at 905-822-1171 ext. 112.

First Communion & Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Communion are first offered to children in grade 2.

Our preparation for these sacraments begins in February 2020. First Communion parent information meetings:

Monday, December 16th at 7 pm

or Tuesday, December 17th at 7 pm

St. Christopher's Parish

bids farewell to **Carolyn Burles** and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

We welcome our new Pastoral Assistant, **Michelle Brylowski**, to our staff team who will be working part-time in the parish office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to take Holy Communion to the Roman Catholic residents at Sheridan Villa on Sunday mornings.

This ministry is done in pairs and you would be assigned to bring communion to the residents on <u>one floor</u> at the Villa. You would be scheduled about once a month. If you can help, please call the parish office.

This Week at St. Christopher's Parish

Monday, September 23

9:00 am - Mass (Frank Yorke - D) 9:40 am - Rosary Apostolate Mtg. - Msgr. Hickey Lounge 7:45 pm - K of C General Meeting - Hall

Tuesday, September 24

9:00 am - Mass (Oliver Raczka - Spec. Int.) 7:00 pm - Legion of Mary - JC Room

Wednesday, September 25

9:00 am - Mass (Cathy Campbell - D) 9:30 am - Bible Sharing - JC Room

Thursday, September 26

9:00 am - Mass (Elio Sponga - D) 9:30 am - Legion of Mary - JC Room 6:00 pm - LifeTeen - Hall 7:30 pm - Choir Practice - Church

Friday, September 27

9:00 am - Mass (Annamaria Carnevale – D)

Saturday, September 28

9:00 am - Mass (Felipe Curaming - D) (Veronika & Milorad Todorovitch - D) (Fred Joyce - D) (Bozena Kleszcz - Spec. Int.) 10:00 am - Sacrament of Reconciliation - Church 5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, September 29

Sunday Masses - 8:30am, 10:00am & 12noon



Calling all singers and musicians!!!

Music ministry is starting up again for this year,

and you are invited! Whether you are a seasoned chorister, or an instrumentalist, or new at stretching your musical muscles, we have a spot for you in our ministry. The 10 am choir has rehearsal on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm in the church, and the noon choir practices before mass on Sundays. Introduce yourself and let us know where you would like to join!

Seniors Outreach Ministry

If you are a former volunteer with our Senior Outreach programme, we would ask you to return your threeringed binder so that we can reuse the binder for our newest volunteers. Please leave your binder at the parish office or in the sacristy on the weekend and it will be picked up.

Parish Outreach Number: 416-580-3982

