

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

Third Wednesday of the month in the Msgr. Hickey Lounge at 7:00 p.m. Contact: jen@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
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St. Luke	Linus O'Neil, Princ.	905-274-2760
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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



Advent Wreath Prayer

Two purple candles and the ROSE candle are lit and the following prayer is said:

Loving God, Source of all Light, in this time of caring and sharing, in this time of smiling, let us rejoice in life itself! Let us open our hearts full to others. Let our faces radiate the joy of Your coming so that everyone we meet will know of You and the gift of life you bring. Jesus, our Lord, we rejoice in Your coming. Amen.



2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

(regular donation boxes & PAG special collection boxes)

are available in the Parish Hall.

If you are currently using 2019 envelopes, there will be a 2020 box of offertory envelopes for you identified with your name & address. The boxes will all be in alphabetical order. Please make a point to pick up your box asap. As well, please only start using them in **JANUARY 2020.**

If you did not use a box of envelopes this year, and would like a set for 2020, please call Eleonora at 905-822-1171 during parish office hours.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG)

Just as your home must be maintained and your family cared for while you are away, so also your parish home and family need your on-going care and support. To make your financial support seamless, consider participating in the Pre-Authorized Giving programme.

Parish Outreach Number: 416-580-3982

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who have died:

Pat Bass Piermaria Soda



We did it together

It's impossible to quantify how you, the parishioners of the Archdiocese of Toronto, are making your communities more caring and compassionate. But there is a number worth celebrating: \$13 million. That is how much was raised by thousands of people in over 200 parishes through the 2019 ShareLife Parish Campaign. The Holy Spirit inspired you to reach out to those in need, and you responded generously. You have lived the Gospel and, on behalf of ShareLife agencies and those they serve, we can never thank you enough.



Blessing of a Christmas Tree

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.



Dancing for The Compass

Saturday, January 25th, 2020

returns for a 13th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. on Saturday, January 25, 2019. Doors upstairs open at 7:00 pm and dancing from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am. The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$25/person and \$30 at the door. Please contact Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 to order your tickets. It will be a fun night of 50s and 60s music with the local 8-piece band, **Little Peter and the Elegants**. A light buffet will be served. Fabulous raffle prizes, too!



Christmas Pageant

Rehearsals for the Children's Christmas Pageant **Sundays from 3:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.** until Christmas.

All children are welcome to participate. We will find a role for everyone! The Christmas Pageant Mass is on Dec. 24th at 4:00 p.m.

2019/2020 SUNDAY MISSALS \$ 4.00/each

available in the Religious Books & Articles Store on weekends and the Parish office during the week.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

This collection will be taken up at all Christmas Masses. Envelopes are available at all the doors.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S
MASS SCHEDULE**



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, Dec 21: 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 22: 8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, Dec. 24:

Pageant: 3:30 pm

Mass times: 4:00 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:30 pm
& 12 midnight

Christmas Caroling Concert: 9 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 25: 10 am & 12 noon

Thursday, Dec. 26: 10 am

Holy Family

Saturday, Dec. 28: 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 29: 8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Tuesday, Dec. 31: 5 pm

Wednesday, January 1: 10 am & 12 noon

ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

On **Wednesday, December 18th, 2019**, we will be celebrating a **Day of Confessions throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto**. Preparation for, and the celebration of Confession, allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness.

On December 18th, in our parish, the schedule for confessions will be: **10:00 am to 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm**.

On **Friday, December 20th**, in our parish, the schedule for confessions will be at **7:00 pm** (last one before Christmas).

Calling all students in Grades 3 to 5

Save the date:

January 16th/2020

First night of Junior Edge

This Week at St. Christopher's Parish

Monday, December 16

9:00 am - Mass (Peter & Jozefa Malarczuk - D)

10:00 am - Yoga Chair Class - Main Hall

7:00 pm - Youth Choir practice - Church

Tuesday, December 17

9:00 am - Mass (Mary & Walter Zazinsky - D)

7:00 pm - Legion of Mary - JC Room

Wednesday, December 18

9:00 am - Mass (Saturnino Pascual - D)

10:00 am - Confessions - Church

7:00 pm - Confessions - Church

Thursday, December 19

9:00 am - Mass (Nick Romeo - Spec. Int.)

9:30 am - Legion of Mary - JC Room

7:30 pm - Choir Practice - Church

Friday, December 20

9:00 am - Mass (Amanda Payne - D)

7:00 pm - LifeTeen - Main Hall

7:00 pm - Confessions - Church

Saturday, December 21

9:00 am - Mass (Piermaria's friends - Spec. Int.)

(Da Silva Family - Spec. Int.)

(Dorothea Mascarenhas - D)

(Teresa Bissola - D)

(Sheila Brylowski - D)

10:00 am - Sacrament of Reconciliation - Church

10:00 am - LifeTeen - Main Hall

5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, December 22

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

3:00 pm - Christmas pageant rehearsal - Church

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS,
LECTORS & MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY
Christmas Eve, Christmas Day &
New Year's Masses**

We need your help with these special celebrations. Please sign up in the sacristy. For the Ministers of Hospitality, your sign up poster is in the Usher's area.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

to usher at the 10 am mass. If able to assist, please contact the parish office at 905-822-1171. Thank you.

Moms, are you looking for some quiet time during such a busy season? Please join the Catholic Moms Group on **Wednesday, December 18th** at 7pm. RSVP to jen@catholicmomsgroup.com by December 16th.

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