

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
St. Helen	Paul Basran, Princ.	905-822-4564
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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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time




First Communion Registration

If your child is in grade 2 (or above) and you could not attend the parent information meeting regarding First Reconciliation & Communion preparation, please visit the parish office for information and to obtain a registration package. Registration forms must be submitted by **January 20/2020**.

We need your help!

We are looking for volunteers that can help tidy up the church once a week for a month on a 3 month rotation. If you are that person and have any questions, please contact the Parish office at 905-822-1171 during office hours. Thank you!

 **Bottle Bank** return: The Knights of Columbus would like to thank you for participating in this annual fundraiser. Please return your Banks on the weekend of **January 25/26** before all masses.

Information Session to Support the Transition of Children with Differing Abilities into School 2020

The Special Education and Learning Services Department is hosting an information session for families of children with differing abilities who are transitioning into the Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board in September 2020. The information session will be held at the Catholic Education Centre, 40 Matheson Blvd. W. room 301 on Wednesday, **January 29, 2020** from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. **Snow date, Thursday, January 30, 2020** from 7 pm to 8:30 pm. Families are asked to contact their local school or visit www.dpcdsb.org for additional information and for a list of required registration documents.

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who have died:

Michael Nolan Cely Bonafacio Zuzanna Wacky
Bernard Muschalla Luciana & Leticia Pereyra

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins February 9, 2020 at 3 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2020 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2020. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2020, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The mass will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, February 9 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Ave., Pickering). A reception will follow Mass. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online or by phone. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/marriage or by calling 416-934-3400 ext. 523.



Coming in February **The Journey to Joy** program for Maturing Adults

Are you a joyful person? Would you like to experience more joy in your life? Do others see a sense of joy in you?

Join us beginning February 13th every Thursday morning at 10 a.m. in the Msgr. Hickey Lounge for 6 weeks as we explore how to find and grow a more joyful spirit within.

Program Facilitator: Barbara Ashcroft is a certified spiritual director (Regis College), retired educator, grandmother and a St. Christopher parishioner.

To register for the program please call the parish office during business hours, 905-822-1171, and leave your name and a contact number.

Borrowed Pyxes

If you borrowed a pyx to bring communion to a dear one and are no longer using it, kindly return it to Narda in the Sacristy as soon as possible. We have 15 of them missing. Thank you.

2019 Income Tax Receipts

will be mailed soon to those who have contributed more than \$50.00. Anyone who has contributed less than \$50 may request a receipt by contacting the parish office.



"Behold, I make all things new"

Rev. 21:5

Separated, Divorced?

If you are struggling ... you don't have to do this alone.

New Beginnings, is a ministry dedicated to assisting those who have suffered a loss through, separation and divorce. Together... we explore our grief, experience healing and renew our faith.

St. Christopher's - Support Group

Start Date: **Tuesday, February 4th from 7pm to 9pm**
For more information and to register, please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, Programme Promoter
alimanni@cfstoronto.com 416-921-1163 ext. 2225

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020
Ecumenical Prayer Service**

Theme: "They showed us unusual kindness" (cf. Acts 28:2)
Come and join us in an Ecumenical Prayer Service led by Christian Church Leaders in the GTA. His Eminence Cardinal Collins Archbishop of Toronto will be reflecting on the Word of God.

Sunday, January 26th, 2020 @ 7:00 pm

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
1585 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON M4T 1Z9
Refreshments to follow

For further information, please contact The Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs Office at 416-934-3400 ext. 344 or ext. 527 or ecumenical@archtoronto.org

Humanitarian Relief - Australia Fires

As you are aware, in recent weeks, hundreds of forest fires in Australia have killed dozens, destroyed thousands of homes and threatened many local species with extinction. At present, more than 10 million hectares of bush, forest and parks in the country have been impacted.

Locally, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, fondly known as Vinnies, has volunteers on the ground in hundreds of communities across the country helping people as they deal with the immediate aftermath of fires as well as the long-term recovery. One hundred per cent of donations are used to support those who have been affected.

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

. Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website:

www.archtoronto.org

. By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411

. Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

St. Christopher Parish – Australia Fires – Disaster Relief

Humanitarian relief envelopes available at all entrances of the church.

Our prayers are with the people of Australia as the country struggles to cope with this disaster. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to assist those in crisis.



Fam Jam is a family fellowship that happens once a month in the church hall.

Get to know other families of the Parish, enjoy some light refreshments and have some fun!

Our next Fam Jam is on **Sunday, January 26th after the 12 noon mass** in the Main Hall !

This Week at St. Christopher's Parish

Monday, January 20

9:40 am - Rosary Apostolate Mtg. - Msgr. Hickey Lounge
5:30 pm - Confirmation - Mail Hall
7:00 pm - Youth Choir practice - JC Room

Tuesday, January 21

9:00 am - Mass (Eileen Tauskela - D)
(Michael Nolan - D)
9:30 am - Tuesday Morning Coffee - Msgr. Hickey Lounge
5:30 pm - Confirmation - Mail Hall
7:00 pm - Legion of Mary - JC Room
7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal - Church
7:30 pm - RCIA - Main Hall

Wednesday, January 22

9:00 am - Mass (Anne Kerivan - D)
9:30 am - Bible Sharing - JC Room

Thursday, January 23

9:00 am - Mass (Victoria Raczka - Spec. Int.)
9:30 am - Legion of Mary - JC Room
6:00 pm - Edge - Main Hall
7:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal - Church

Friday, January 24

9:00 am - Mass (Agostino & Pasqua DeDominicis - D)

Saturday, January 25

9:00 am - Mass (Pasquale Battaglia - D)
(Dionisio Silva - D)
(Leontyna Szmelter - D)
(Piermaria Soda - D)
(Josephine Lim - D)
9:00 am - Confirmation - Main Hall
10:00 am - Sacrament of Reconciliation - Church
5:00 pm - Sunday Mass
6:30 pm - LifeTeen - Main Hall

Sunday, January 26

Sunday Masses - 8:30am, 10:00am & 12noon
1:00 pm - Fam Jam - Main Hall

Dancing for The Compass returns for a 13th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. on **Saturday, January 25 2020**. 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 the church office or phone 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!

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