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BAPTISMS

Saturdays & Sundays by appointment at 1:45 p.m. Please let us know three months before the birth of your child to prepare for the Sacrament. Parents MUST take a baptismal class.

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.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Anyone who would like to know more about the person of Jesus, His role in their lives and the Catholic Church is invited to call the parish office for information about our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Youth Ministry is up and Running

Our initial plan was supposed to be an in-person gathering but, with all the new rising cases of COVID-19 in Peel, it was decided with Fr. Scott to move our ministry online.

All our sessions will run from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Please note that every 1st and 3rd Thursday it is an EDGE night and every 2nd and 4th Thursday will be a Jr EDGE night. There are no ministry nights on the 5th Thursday of the month. Reminders will be sent either the day before or the morning of.

Parents who have teenagers: our **Lifeteen program** will be held online every **1st and 3rd Sunday from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.**

Please note that your child **needs to be registered** in order to be included in the online group. All registration forms are on our parish website. Thank you!!

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who are sick:

Jan Miranda

For those who have died:

Olga Storoschuk Victor Lopes Fr. Nazzareno Coccia

MASS TIMES AT ST. CHRISTOPHER PARISH

Saturday Sunday Sunday 5PM 8AM 10AM NOON

Daily Mass Monday-Saturday at 9 am

Sunday Masses

There have been a number of changes to the way we celebrate mass, all designed to promote a safe environment for our parish community to gather and worship. We have distance measures in place in the pews and in the aisle, a procedure for the reception of Holy Communion that has been approved by provincial health officials, as well as a rigorous sanitizing routine. Congregation singing is restrained for the time being to minimize the potential spread of the virus. We must remain vigilant about concern for our neighbour during this time. Wearing a mask is **essential** and sanitizing your hands is a **must**.

ShareLife Sunday: Last weekend to contribute to our Parish Campaign

People with addictions are among the many marginalized groups supported by your gift to ShareLife.

"These uncertain times are especially difficult for our addiction clients who already face isolation, food and housing insecurities, and struggle with mental wellness," reports St. Michael's Homes, a ShareLife-funded agency. "We suspect the need will continue to increase throughout the pandemic and into a post-Covid environment."

Your gift to ShareLife ensures St. Michael's Homes can continue to help people overcome addiction, as demand for their programs grows.

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday and the final day to make your donation to our parish campaign. If you give by the end of the weekend, you can double the impact of your donation. A generous donor is matching gifts up to \$500,000. You can also give securely online at sharelife.org/donate.

What is happening at St. Chris!!!

CONFESSIONS

Our confessions for the time being are by appointment only. If needed, please call the Parish Office at 905-822-1171 to book your appointment with either Fr. Scott or Fr. Omar. Thank you.

Sacramental Preparation 2020-2021

Preparation programs for this coming year are still being planned. We hope to have more information available to parents and schools in the late fall describing how we will be delivering instruction for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Please pray for all those in our parish who will be preparing to celebrate sacraments this year.

Rite of Initiation for Children

This year 9 children participated in our Rite of Initiation program. Now that Baptisms are once again being scheduled in parishes, these children will soon become members of the Church. Praise God! If your child is over the age of 7 and has not been Baptized but desires to become part of God's family, please contact Michelle at 905-822-1171 for more information.

Family Gatherings

This was an interesting year for our families. We gathered together for meals and instruction during February and March, preparing for First Reconciliation, but had to suspend our gatherings before being able to celebrate First Reconciliation. Catechetical instruction for First Communion went online during April and May. Now that we are able to celebrate sacraments again, First Communions will be celebrated in October and November.

Confirmation

If your child is in grade 7, or is 12 years or older, and plans to celebrate Confirmation this year, please be advised that preparation classes will be delayed until early into the New Year. More information will be made available in the coming months.



Matthew 25.1-13
Parable of the Ten Virgins

Next two weeks at St. Christopher's Parish

Monday, 9 November

10:00 am - Mass (Anna Kisilewicz - D)

Tuesday, 10 November

9:00 am - Mass (Joan Gulline - D)

Wednesday, 11 November

9:00 am - Mass (Bev & Mike Dywelska - Spec. Int.)

7:00 pm - First Communion Celebration

Thursday, 12 November

9:00 am - Mass (Abbey Leon - D)

Friday, 13 November

9:00 am - Mass (Charles Schembri - D)

Saturday, 14 November

9:00 am - Mass Victor Lopez - (D), Suzanne & Chukri Karakand (D), Amado Alcantara (D), Helen Znidarek (D) 5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, 15 November

Sunday Masses - 8:00am, 10:00am & 12noon 3:30 pm - First Communion Celebration

Monday, 16 November

9:00 am - Mass (Martie Way - D)

Tuesday, 17 November

9:00 am - Mass (Eduardo Lee - D)

Wednesday, 18 November

9:00 am - Mass (Margaret Rafael & Family - D)

Thursday, 19 November

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

Friday, 20 November

9:00 am - Mass (Margaret Andrews - D)

Saturday, 21 November

9:00 am - Mass - (Harry & Gowri Benedict - D)

5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, 22 November

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

3:30 pm - First Communion Celebration

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Program

Do consider contributing your offertory offerings using the PAG program. The advantage for you is your contribution is taken out automatically each month and your support to the parish is assured even when you are away. The program helps the parish to plan better through the regular and dependable flow of contributions. Contributions are withdrawn from your account on the 20th day of each month. Enrollment forms are available on the parish website at stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org. Questions? Please call the Parish Office at 905-822-1171 and we shall be delighted to assist.

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