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 Rev. Joseph Rodrigues Associate Pastor: Permanent Deacon: Deacon Terence Da Silva Deacon Michael E. Minkowski Permanent Deacon: Pastoral Assistant: Michelle Brylowski Levy Anne Ramos Youth Minister: Sue Merko Ministry with Maturing Adults Michelle Brylowski Music Director: Parish Secretary: Eleonora Bettio Accounting: Arnold Rego



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (also live) & 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

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

Meetings happening virtually via Zoom every third Thursday at 8pm. For more information, please email 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

Tuesday evening via conference call

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.

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COVID-19: Maintaining Best Practices

While many Ontarians are now fully vaccinated, the rise in COVID-19 cases, particularly the Delta strain, makes the future unpredictable. We encourage all parishioners to continue to practice social distancing, frequent hand-washing/sanitizing and to wear masks when interacting with people outside your bubbles. A reminder that masks are mandatory inside the church and must be properly worn while attending mass. Do what you can to prevent the spread of the virus.

Website Updates

Our parish website has recently been updated. Bookmark the Parish's website

https://stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org/

on your browser and make sure to check it regularly for updates.



PRAYER FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

Dear God, Thank you for the gift of children. Please watch over all children as they go back to school this year. Keep them safe every day. Help them to

remember that you are right there with them in the halls and classrooms. Help them soak up good knowledge and to dismiss any negative or worldly messages they may hear. Help them treat others with kindness and respect, and to guard their hearts with the armor of Your Word. Give them joy and peace as they put their trust in you. Amen.

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who have died:

Elisa Dos Santos Teresa Ong

CONFESSIONS

Confessions by appointment only. Please call the parish office at 905-822-1171 or email stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org to book yours.



Starting Sept. 22

Meet outside for a few weeks on Wednesday mornings 10 - 11 AM at Peggy's

When it gets too cool for outside we will discern whether to meet by Zoom or in the parish hall depending on the Covid situation.

A time to reflect with others on the Sunday Scripture readings ... In the context of our life today ... Opportunities to ask questions ... Insights for living... Encouragement...

We're always happy to welcome newcomers!



Are you, or someone you know, THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Through the RCIA, adults come to learn about and experience Christian life, Roman specifically our Catholic tradition. Meet with others in this step by step process to encounter the person of Jesus Christ, to come to know his love, and to love our brothers and sisters as he loves us. Ask questions, participate in dialogue, hear the Gospel, take time for prayer. Interested? Please call the parish office at 9 0 5 - 8 2 2 - 1 1 7 1 stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org.

Sacramental Preparation

Registration for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion (grade 2+) and Confirmation (grade 7+) is now open. Parents are asked to visit the parish website for details and to download the registration form. Registration closes September 26. Preparation classes begin in October. Please email Michelle Brylowski with any questions or further inquiry at mbrylowski@archtoronto.org. Feel free to forward this information to friends, family, and neighbours with children who may be interested in preparing and celebrating their sacraments at St. Christopher's parish this coming year.

Baptism for Children (7+)

Parents of children who wish to enter the Catholic Church are encouraged to contact Michelle Brylowski to set up an appointment to speak about what is involved in the process for initiation into the Church. A personalized preparation plan will be tailored to your child's needs. Please email Michelle Brylowski at mbrylowski@archtoronto.org.

First Communion Celebrations

By the end of September, 120 children will have celebrate their First Holy Communion at St. Christopher's! Please keep the children and their families in your prayers. This simple prayer can be said every day, especially on Sundays: O God, your love for us, your children, is beyond our understanding. You feed us with the gift of your body and blood as food for the journey. Strengthen our faith in you and our love for you. Keep all your children close to your loving heart, in unity with your Son through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

MASS TIMES AT ST. CHRISTOPHER PARISH

Saturday Sunday Sunday 5PM 8AM 10AM NOON

Daily Mass Tuesday-Saturday at 9 am

Next two weeks at St. Christopher's Parish

Monday, 30 August

No morning mass

Tuesday, 31 August

9:00 am - Mass (Georgina Soares - D)

Wednesday, 1 September

9:00 am - Mass

Thursday, 2 September

9:00 am - Mass

Friday, 3 September

9:00 am - Mass (David Robicheau - D)

Saturday, 4 September

9:00 am - Mass (Tina De Mello - D)

(Victor Lopes - D)

5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, 5 September

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

3:30 pm - First Communion - church

Monday, 6 September

No morning mass

Tuesday, 7 September

9:00 am - (Maria Rosa Lages - D)

(Angelina Acang - D)

Wednesday, 8 September

9:00 am - Mass (Edmundo Olaivar Jr. - D)

Thursday, 9 September

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

Friday, 10 September

9:00 am - Mass (Maria & Alessandro D'Ovidio - D)

Saturday, 11 September

9:00 am - Mass - (Angelo Vento - D)

5:00 pm - Sunday Mass

Sunday, 12 September

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

3:30pm - First Communion - Church

Confirmation Celebrations

At the end of September, St. Christopher's will celebrate Confirmations for almost 70 young people. Confirmation is the final sacrament of initiation (Baptism and Eucharist are the first two), which makes the person a full member of the Catholic Church. Confirmation is very important in the life of a Catholic because it enriches them with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Confirmed Catholics are to be true witnesses in the world, spreading and defending the faith by word and deed (CCC 1285). Please keep the candidates in your prayers!

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