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

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

Third Wednesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7:30 pm. 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

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.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS & ARTICLES STORE

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

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Christopher	Andrea Milanetti, Princ.	905-822-0721
St. Helen	Colleen Klein, Princ.	905-822-4564
St. Louis	Natalie Poerba, 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. (also live) & 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday to Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday at 10:00 a.m. or by appointment

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

The Fresh Start Project

The Fresh Start Project began in November 2019. Its purpose is to help individuals and families have an easier transition from a shelter to a home by filling their cupboards, shelves and drawers with needed items – both new and gently used. Most recently, they moved 12 clients of our partner, The Compass, into their new apartments in Lakeshore Lofts.

If you are able, please consider becoming a member and assisting their efforts.

Website:<u>https://www.thefreshstartprojectontario.com</u> FaceBook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> groups/514472682523542

Stations of the Cross: Join us every Friday evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 7pm, followed by mass at 7:30 pm, and Holy Hour with Evening Prayer and Benediction from 8-9pm. On April 1st the Stations will be lead by the Mothers' Group.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is now being offered in -person again. For now, it will only be at the Sunday 10am mass. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Levy at <u>Iramos@archtoronto.org</u>.



Prayers for the Sick & Deceased at St. Christopher's Parish

If you or a family member is sick or deceased and would like to be prayed for, please contact the Parish Office at 905-822-1171 or email us at stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org. Names will be added to our Prayers of the Faithful on the weekend the week the call/email is received.



DO YOU HAVE BLESSED PALMS AT HOME FROM PREVIOUS YEARS?

We ask that you bring your blessed palms which you brought home last year or previous years. Please place them in the container provided at the front of the church.

Men's Lenten Retreat

When: Saturday, April 9th from 9 am to 3 pm Where: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga, ON Cost: \$45.00 Contact: 905-278-5229

Prayer Corner

This week, please pray for the following people:

For those who have died:

Isai Mora Varghese Varambinakath Mary Lynch



Potted Plant / Flower Donation

This year we are looking to decorate the Altar with various plants and flowers for Easter as a community. We invite you to bring in any potted plants on **Saturday**,

April 16 between 9:30 am and 10:30 am in the vestibule. Please feel free to add a simple intention with your plant or flower. Simply place the intention in with the plant/flower.

FREE WEBINAR!!!!! ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE Saturday, April 9th, 2022 at 9 am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Power of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions about cremation. To register, send an email to

development@archtoronto.org

ShareLife ShareLife agencies serve everyone!

Today's Gospel Shares the parable of the woman accused of adultery, a message of Our Lord's great love, forgiveness and respect for all people.

Likewise, ShareLife agencies are there to support the most vulnerable and marginalized members of our communities. ShareLife-funded social service agencies have an 'open intake policy' and provide help based on need—not on religion, lifestyle, gender or ethnicity.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife.

FINALLY !!!!!!

To be consistent with changes made by the Government of Ontario, the City of Mississauga is lifting its Mandatory Face Mask By-Law, effective immediately.

Parishioners however, may choose to continue wearing a mask if you feel more comfortable.

St. Christopher's Pixes

If you are in possession of one of our pixes and no longer need to borrow it, kindly return it to Fr. Joseph or Narda (our sacristan) next time you come to church. Thank you!

Holy Week at St. Christopher's

Palm Sunday Saturday, April 9: 5:00 pm Sunday, April 10: <u>8:00 am</u>, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

Holy Thursday, April 14 Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper : 7:30 pm

> **Good Friday, April 15** Celebration of the Lord's Passion 11:00 am & 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 16 Easter Food Blessing: 2 pm The Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter: <u>8:00 pm</u>

Easter Sunday, April 17

Resurrection of the Lord **<u>8:00 am</u>**, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

***Please note: The 8:30am Mass has been changed to 8am on Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday and The Great Vigil on Saturday from 8:30 pm to 8 pm ***

We are looking to recruit new members to the **Ministry** of Altar Servers. This ministry is open to all youth, aged 8-18, and who have received their First Holy Communion; training is provided. This is a wonderful way for young Catholics to experience and participate in the faith. Please contact Levy at Iramos@archtoronto.org for more details and to register.

We need you!!!!

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY & ALTAR SERVERS

Please sign up for Triduum celebrations with your ministry leader via email !!!



LENTEN FOOD DRIVE for The Compass



We will be holding our annual Lenten food drive in support of The Compass at all masses on **April 2nd & 3rd**. Please bring your food donations to church on that weekend. Food drives like this help us provide all the nonperishable food and household items needed. Thank you!

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tue, April 5, 9 am - John Talarowski 🕇

Wed, April 6, 9 am - Lyra De Souza 🕇

Thurs, April 7, 9 am - Chesley Bugden 🕇

Fri, April 8 9:00 am - Bernard Brylowski † 7:30 pm - Fr. Edwin D'Souza †

Sat, April 9, 9 am - Holy Soul

Sat 5 pm mass - Elizabeth Low 🕇

Sunday, April 10 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:30 am - Ignacio & Tomasa Morandarte 🕇

10:00 am - Maria Rosa Lages 🕇

12:00 noon - People of the Parish

What's happening at St. Chris

April 4th - April 10th, 2022

Tue., April 5th

6:30 pm - First Communion Prep. - Church & Hall 7:30 pm - RCIA - Hickey Lounge

Wed., April 6th

9:30 am - Bible Sharing - Hall 6:30 pm - First Communion Prep. - Church & Hall

Thurs., April 7th

6:00 pm - Jr. Edge - Hall 6:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal - Church

Fri., April 8th

7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross - Church 7:30 pm - Mass - Church 8:00 pm - Benediction - Church 7:30 pm - New Beginnings - Msgr. Hickey Lounge

Sat., April 9th

10:30 am - First Communion Prep. - Church & Hall

COME, PRAY WITH ME

'He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee with him.' ... he said to them:

'Stay awake and pray not to be put to the test.' (ref. Mt 26:36-46).

Come and spend an hour with Jesus in adoration, evening of the Church and benediction at St. Christopher's.

Every Friday at 7:00 pm

During Lent Adoration starts at 8:00 pm

