

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. Joseph Rodrigues
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Terence Da Silva
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Michael E. Minkowski
Youth Minister & Sacramental Preparation: Levy Anne Ramos
Ministry with Maturing Adults Sue Merko
Accounting: Arnold Rego
Sacristan: Narda Van Dyk



BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is offered every Saturday and Sunday at 1:45 pm one family at a time by appointment. 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 the Parish Office.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

10:00 a.m. Mass.

MOTHERS' GROUP

Third Wednesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7:30 pm.
Contact : jen@catholicmomsgroup.com

HOLY HOUR

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Evening Prayer -
Every Friday at 7:00 p.m.

LEGION OF MARY

Tuesday at 6pm & Thursdays at 10am in the JC Room.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Jr. EDGE - Grade 3 - 5
EDGE - Grade 6 - 8
Lifeteen - Grade 9 -12

Contact Levy Anne for dates and times.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Fourth Monday of the month in the parish hall at 8:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS & ARTICLES STORE

Open every third week of each month following Saturday 5:00 p.m. and all Sunday masses.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Christopher Greg Hilton, Princ. 905-822-0721
St. Helen Ruben Furtado, 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.



Matthew 2:1-1 :

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

St. Christopher Christmas Caring and Sharing Update:

Caring & Sharing is a wonderful opportunity to share God's love with those less fortunate in our community. More and more families are suffering from food insecurity and are turning to food banks such as "The Compass", our outreach partner, for assistance. Thank you for your generosity. To date, we have collected **\$3,460**.



Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick: Perpetua Fernandes

For those who have died:

Umberto Spagnolo, William Bradford,
Ronnie Deocampo, Cornelius Van Denheuvel
Dolores Pellegrini

May their souls rest in peace.

If you or a family member is sick or deceased and would like to be prayed for, please contact stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2023-24 school year at Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) schools will take place January 9 – 13, 2023. The DPCDSB offers the Kindergarten program in 125 Catholic elementary schools in Mississauga, Brampton, Caledon, Bolton and Orangeville. Parents/guardians can register online at dpcdsb.org.

Registration is open to Catholic children and children of Catholic parents. Kindergarten students must be at least four (4) years of age by December 31, 2023.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE | MASS INTENTIONS | CELEBRATION OF SAINTS

Mon. Jan. 9th -

The Baptism of the Lord

9 am – NO MASS

6:30 pm – First Communion Class

Tues. Jan. 10th –

**9 am – Nolan & Sweeney Family†
Abbey Leon†**

6:30 pm – First Communion Class

Wed. Jan. 11th –

9 am – Rita Wadey†

Thurs. Jan. 12th –

9 am – Aurora Saavedra†

Fri. Jan. 13th –

St. Hilary

9 am – Geno Castellarin†

Sat. Jan. 14th -

9 am – Karen Polisky†

5 pm – Joan Simone†

Sun. Jan. 15th, 2023

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am – Holy Souls†

10 am – Betty Heslin†

12 pm – Czeslaw Plewik†

THANK YOU!!!!!!

To all who assisted at St. Christopher's Parish especially:

- Choir and Music Ministers
- Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors
- Ministers of Hospitality
- Liturgical Committee
 - Parish Staff
 - All Volunteers

The priest, deacons and staff are most grateful for your cards, gifts and best wishes.

And finally, thanks for your generosity to the parish over the Christmas season!

Marriage Sunday February 11/12, 2023

Marriage Sunday highlights the importance of the sacrament of marriage, affirms couples who strengthen our faith community through their witness, and complements **World Marriage Sunday** celebrations that take place across North America. It also honours those who nurture marriage ministries - marriage preparation, enrichment, etc.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, **Bishop Vincent Nguyen** will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, **especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023**. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing.

The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Please register at www.archtoronto.org.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2023 Jan-22-2023 09:00 PM | St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (73 Simcoe St., Toronto, ON, M5J 1W9)

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Join His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church.

This event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Toronto's Office for Promoting Christian Unity & Religious Relations with Judaism, and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches.

CONTACT FOR FURTHER DETAILS: Interreligious Department, Interreligious@archtoronto.org

Praying with the Life of Sr. Faustina Kowalska,

Monday, January 30, 2023

09:00 AM - 03:00 PM

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A day of reflection open to men and women. While most Catholics are familiar with the Icon of the Divine Mercy which is found in most parishes, less known is the life of Sr. Faustina, an obscure Polish nun, whom Jesus used to proclaim God's infinite mercy for all who desire to receive it. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes break, lunch and mass along with program.

REGISTER: manresa-canada.ca
CONTACT: registration@manresa.ca
PHONE: 905-839-2864



ARE YOU REGISTERED??

If you attend St. Christopher's regularly but have not officially registered, we urge you to do so. A record of this information is very important, especially for any future sacramental celebrations. Green registration forms may be found at the entrance of the church. Simply drop completed form into the offertory basket or bring it to the parish office.

HAS YOUR ADDRESS CHANGED?

Please inform the parish office of any changes as soon as possible.

Ways to support our Parish

Some suggestions how to support the Parish:

- **Regular Sunday Offertory Envelopes:**
 - **Pre-authorized giving (PAG)** – automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account
 - **Occasional** – pink Visitor envelopes/OR any plain envelope from home – Please write your first and last name and full address.
 - **Credit Card/Online donations:** go to our website stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org and click on DONATE.
- Thank you for your financial support especially during these challenging times.** It is very much appreciated.

REMINDER: You may now start using your new envelopes for 2023. For those who have not picked up your Envelope Boxes, you can find these boxes in the Church Hall at the inside entrance following all masses.

Prayer for the Perseverance of Vocations

O God, You have constituted Your only-begotten Son supreme and eternal Priest for the glory of Your majesty and the salvation of mankind; grant that those whom He has chosen ministers and dispensers of His mysteries may be found faithful in fulfilling the ministry they have received. Amen.

*If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy**,
Director of Vocations,
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.
Email: vocations@archtoronto.org
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