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



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.

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

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Matthew 5:1-12

The Beatitudes - happy are the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Knights of Columbus: SAVE THE DATE! On Saturday, February 18th, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting the return of the Mardi Gras Party. Tickets: Adults \$20, Youth 12-18 \$10, Children under 12 free. Come to enjoy lots of delicious food and an open bar with family and friends in our parish community. Tickets on sale after all weekend masses.

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Piggy Bank drive. Your generous contributions help provide much needed assistance to a number of local charities. *Please return the piggy banks to the church vestibule at any weekend mass*.

Seniors Outreach - Did you know that our parish has an outreach program for our senior parishioners. Leave a message at the parish office if you know of a senior who is unable to attend mass or community events but wants to remain as part of St. Christopher's community and would benefit from this program.

Dynamic Women of Faith - Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, March 25, 2023 09:00 AM - 4:00 PM The Old Mill (Old Mill Subway Station), 21 Old Mill Road, Toronto

His Eminence Cardinal Collins will celebrate the opening Mass at 9 a.m.

Keynote Speaker:

Sister Deirdre Byrne - The Heroes of My Life Lead Me to Our Lady. Dr. Josephine Lombardi – Healing and Forgiveness. Diana Filipiak, Kasia Ryba, Sandra Wojcik – Journeying with Mother Mary. Dorothy Pilarski –Why minister to moms? : How to Start a Catholic Moms Group.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE | MASS INTENTIONS | CELEBRATION OF SAINTS

Mon. Jan. 30^{th –} 9 am – NO MASS

Tues. Jan. 31st –
St. John Bosco
9 am – Fredrick Quipless†

9 am – Fredrick Quinless†
6:30 pm – First Communion Class

Wed. Feb. 1st -

9 am - Charles Schembri†
11 am - Nick Russo (Funeral Mass)

Thurs. Feb. 2nd –
The Presentation of the Lord
9 am – Fran Hrabluk†
10:00 am – Rosary Apostolate
6 pm –EDGE (Hall)

Fri. Feb. 3rd Sts. Blaise & Ansgar
9 am - Ray Kanoza+

Sat. Feb. 4th 9 am – Rena Rego†
Joaquin Matias†
5 pm – Paul A. Russo†

Sun. Feb. 5th
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am – Edward Friel†
10 am – Michele Mariani†
12 pm – Maria Karpowicz†

Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick: Louise Wehby, Edward Kennedy

For those who have died: Barbara Olson, Melina Ciccarelli, Nick Russo and Dannie Morris

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.

Youth Ministry:

First Communion class is on **Feb6**th & **7**th at 6:30 pm in the hall. Confirmation class is on **Feb. 13**th & **14**th at 5:30 pm in the hall.

Next youth nights:

Jr. Edge (Gr. 3-5): Feb.9th EDGE (Gr. 6-8): Feb. 2nd Lifeteen (Gr. 9-12): Feb. 11th

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board to Hold Public Information Sessions for 2023-2024 Extended French Program

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) will hold two online public information sessions on February 7 and 9 for parents and guardians interested in enrolling their children in the DPCDSB Extended French Program for the 2023-2024 school year. The information sessions will provide an overview of the Extended French Program and application process.

The Extended French Program starts in Grade 5 and offers 50% of the total instruction in French. The program includes studies in French Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and one of either: Visual Arts, Music, Drama or Physical Education. The program leads into Extended French at the secondary school level, where French Language Arts, Geography, History and World Religions are offered.

Students in Extended French will receive a minimum of 2,670 hours of French instruction during their school career. When complete, students should also be able to participate adequately in conversation, demonstrate knowledge of the culture, society, and customs.

The application package will be available online to all parents of Grade 4 students and can be found on the DPCDSB Extended French Webpage as of February 15. The Site Application Links will be live from February 15 to March 1, 2023.

For more information, visit the <u>Extended French</u> webpage at <u>dpcdsb.org</u>.

St. Christopher school is Hiring a Student Monitor for lunchtime supervision, Monday-Friday 11:15-12:15, daily and ongoing. If anyone is interested please contact the school at 905-822-0721 or by email at st.christopherinfo@dpcdsb.org or call: 905-822-0721

Tax Receipts will be mailed to parishioners during the last week of February 2023 and will include offerings in excess of \$50 and received by 31st December 2022.

Please contact Arnold Rego (after February 28, 2023) at the parish office for offerings less than \$50. Donations received after December 31, 2022 (even if dated earlier) will be included in your tax receipt for 2023.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - YEAR 2023

Please use **Year 2023** envelopes for your Sunday/Special Collection Offerings and AVOID using previous years envelopes. Please call the office (905-822-1171) and/or email the office

(stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org) if you need envelopes for the Year 2023. You can still pick up your 2023 envelopes at church hall or office.

Women of the Word Toronto 2023 Forum

Saturday, February 04, 2023 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM The Royalton Hospitality Inc., 8201 Weston Road, Woodbridge

WOW-T is extremely happy to announce our 13th Annual Forum, Perseverance is Power Tickets are \$70.00 included is a light breakfast and a hot lunch plus our exceptional **Speakers Heather Khym, Dr.**Josephine Lombardi and Celeste Giraldo Estrada and a take home gift bag.

MORE

INFORMATION: <u>www.wowblessingstoronto.com</u>

LIFT HIGH JESUS RALLY

Event: March 4, 2023 Metro Convention Centre Tickets Available Immediately – Order in advance

With the theme for 2023 being "EMPOWERED TO STAND" – keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong".

(1Corinthians 16:13), despite the effects of the pandemic over the past two years, we expect a full house. More Information can be found at Website: www.ljhr.ca



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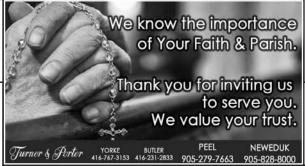
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