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 Iona Catholic S.S. Carl Cini, Princ. 905-823-0136



Matthew 5: 38-48

Jesus says to turn the other cheek. Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, you must be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Ash Wednesday Mass:

Wed. Feb 22, 2023 at 9:00am & 7:30pm

7:30 pm Mass will also be available on YouTube Live!
Broadcast will begin at 6:45 pm on
www.youtube.com/stchristophersmi

If you have any questions or inquiries regarding online mass or technical issues, leave your information at the office for Michael and you will be contacted directly.

During the season of Lent, we will be praying Stations of the Cross, celebrating the Holy Mass, which will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

Ordinandi Dinner 2023

Thursday, March 09, 2023 5:00 PM -9:30 PM

Pearson Convention Center

Following a two-year pandemic hiatus that prevented us from celebrating in person, Serra Canada is pleased to host the 33rd Annual Ordinandi Dinner in person on **Thursday, March 9, 2023**.

Come share with us the unique opportunity to meet these fine men, to offer them our support and encouragement, to demonstrate our esteem for their vocation to the priesthood and consecrated religious life, and to hear about their special faith journey that has led them to make this most noble commitment. \$800 for a table of 10 | \$80 Individual

WEEKLY SCHEDULE | MASS INTENTIONS |

CELEBRATION OF SAINTS

Mon. Feb. 20^{th -} 9 am - NO MASS

Tues. Feb. 21st – St. Peter Damian

9 am – Nino Presciutti & Helen Zupanc & 5:30 pm - Confirmation (Hall)

Wed. Feb. 22nd - Ash Wednesday

9 am – Ash Wednesday Mass Rosa Lages 廿 7:30 pm – Ash Wednesday Mass

Thurs. Feb. 23rd –
St. Polycarp
9 am - Joseph Alphonso ↔

Fri. Feb. 24th -9 am – Elma Alvares 합 7 pm – Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm - Mass 8:00 pm - Holy Hour

Sat. Feb. 25th -9 am – Juan Sanchez 한 Lisa Dias 한 5 pm – Manuel Oliveira한

Sun. Feb. 26th - 1st Sunday of Lent

8:30 am – James Pierce 합 10 am – Franseco Contarin 합 12 pm – Jan Cwalinski 합



Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick: Mary Camilleri & Ken Riopelle For those who have died:

> Daria Golec Deacon William Carson Marcelo Caastillo Deacon Cornelius Manne

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.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Join the Knights of Columbus as they serve a <u>complimentary pancake and sausage dinner</u> on Tuesday February 21st from 5.30-7pm in the church hall.

The Compass will be open on Saturday February 18th from 10am -4pm to accept donations of food, hygiene products and food drives. Address: 427 Lakeshore Rd East, Mississauga, ON L5G 1H8 Ph: 905-274-9309 website: https://www.thecompass.ca

Following Saturday's announcement of **Bishop Frank Leo** as the next Archbishop of Toronto, it has been confirmed that the installation will take place on the **Solemnity of the Annunciation, Saturday, March 25, 2023.** The installation will be held **at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 10:00 a.m.** Due to space restrictions, we anticipate this will be an invitation-only event. Additional information will be shared in the coming days as it is confirmed. Please continue to keep Archbishop-designate Leo and Cardinal Collins in your prayers.

Dynamic Women of Faith - Catholic Women's Conference

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

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

Lenten Retreat in Daily Life

Mary Ward Centre, 70 St. Mary St., Toronto Wednesday, February 22 – 6:30 p.m. EST

Open to young adults (ages 18-39) interested in going deeper in their prayer life through spiritual direction this Lent. Each participant will be paired with a spiritual director and will be encouraged to commit to praying daily. The retreat begins with Ash Wednesday Mass presided by Fr. Santo Arrigo, and concludes on April 11 with a dinner and reflections.

CONTACT: Sr. Sarah, IBVM
REGISTER: info.marywardcentre@gmail.com

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

Please contact Arnold Rego 905 822 1171 Ext. 2223 (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.

YEAR 2022 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax Receipts will be received by parishioners (by mail) on or before **February 13, 2023** and will include offerings in excess of \$ 50 and received by 31st December 2022. Please contact the parish office (905-822-1171) for offerings less than \$ 50. Donations received after December 31, 2022 (even if dated earlier) will be included in your tax receipt for Year 2023.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - YEAR 2023

Please use Year 2023 envelopes for your Sunday/Special Collection Offerings. Please visit the parish office if you haven't picked yours up.

"Turkey and Syrian Earthquake Humanitarian Relief".

Two devastating earthquakes and hundreds of violent aftershocks in Turkey and Syria have caused great destruction in both countries. As search and rescue operations continue, the latest reports indicate that there are more than 40,000 people injured and the rising death toll has now surpassed 11,000 people.

The disaster began with a 7.8-magnitude earthquake early Monday morning, one of the strongest to hit the region in 100 years, toppled thousands of buildings throughout Turkey and Syria, creating even worse conditions for millions of Syrians already displaced by the ongoing civil war. Freezing cold weather conditions are complicating rescue operations and adding further risk to survivors.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will accept donations and channel funds through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada, Aid to the Church in Need, CNEWA, and Jesuits International) to support relief efforts underway.

Want to help?

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website
- By phone through the Development Office
 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
- Name of Parish Turkey and Syria Earthquake – Humanitarian Relief



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