

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
Lay Pastoral Associate:	Georgina Abrego
Parish Secretary:	Perpetua Fernandes
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 Hickey Lounge at 7:30 p.m.

HOLY HOUR

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

LEGION OF MARY

Every Tuesday at 5 pm & Thursday at 10 a.m. (J.C. 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 7 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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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 13:1-23

The Parable of the Good Sower

In today's gospel, Jesus compares the word of God to a seed. If a seed is to bear fruit it has to be sown in favorable ground.



The ground in which the seed of God's word is sown is the human heart.

Strive to always be in a good spiritual state because a heart full of sin, resentment and envy won't bear good fruit.

When Lord touches our hearts...

only those with a favorable heart can receive His word and bear His fruits.



Mass Intentions

18-Jul, Tue.	9am	Maria Teresa Fantauzzi†; Joan Leon & family (Spec. Int)
19-Jul, Wed.	9am	Annamaria Carnevale†
20-Jul, Thu.	9am	Denis Colaco†
21-Jul, Fri.	9am	Peter Coady†
22-Jul, Sat.	10am	Sean McGrath†
	5pm	Giuseppe C. Quaggiotto†
23-Jul, Sun.	8:30am	Alona Latina†
	10am	James Baxter†
	12noon	People of the Parish

Congratulations

Please pray for the newly married couple
Chantelle & Angelo Camillo

Baptism

Sat. Jul 15th – Victoria Lopes Lai

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for adults who would like to become Roman Catholic will begin again in the fall.



If you or a loved one would like to consider becoming a Roman Catholic, please have them speak to Fr. Joseph or contact Georgina Abrego, Lay Pastoral Associate by email at gabrego@archtoronto.org.

or by phone @ 905 822 1171 ext. 2225.

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat (for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents)

The Retreat helps participants to move through and beyond - the broken image of love that they witnessed in their parents' relationship, to their real identity as God's beloved, capable of great love.

It will be led by the Life-Giving Wounds (www.lifegivingwounds.org) traveling retreat team from Friday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, October 1 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Francis Centre (208501 Highway 9, Caledon). Space is limited. Must be 18 or older to attend.

Cost per individual is \$300 (\$260 for full-time post-secondary students and those in consecrated life), which includes several meals, overnight lodging, and all materials. To register, visit bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat2023. For more information, please email lgwtoronto@proton.me.



VBS 2023



Vacation Bible School (VBS)

(For children ages 4 -11 years old.)

Starts on:

July 10 – 14 (week 1); July 17 – 21 (week 2)

Timing: 8:30am to 3:30pm



ShareLife

A Catholic Charities agency
supported by ShareLife

Sharelife goal is \$145,000.00

ShareLife till date (July 02, 2023) \$ 91,390.00

Thanks to all the donors who made our ShareLife Campaign a success! You can continue donating until the end of this year either through the **Parish** or **sharelife.org**.

Volunteering at Sheridan Villa

We are looking for volunteers to visit Sheridan Villa. Each individual must do a Police Record check, have a negative 2 step TB test and proof of vaccination, primary 2 doses and a booster. If you would like to get involved, please contact Georgina, the Lay Pastoral Associate via email, gabrego@archtoronto.org.

RENEW Toronto ...is here!!!

Young Adult Conference 2023.

We are very excited to be hosting RENEW Toronto on Saturday, November 4, 2023 at Canada Christian College in Whitby. RENEW Toronto is a conference for all young adults ages 19-39 with keynotes, workshops, worship music, Confessions, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and fellowship. Spread the word.....and promote this opportunity to every young adult of your Parish. Registration will open on August 14 with early bird pricing. Watch the parish Notice board in the next two weeks. EMAIL: youngadult@ocytoronto.org WEBSITE: www.renewtoronto.org

Study Theology at St. Augustine's Seminary!

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Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

Our Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed, will be celebrated on Wednesday August 16 at 7 p.m. at Assumption Cemetery by Archbishop Francis Leo. Please see the flyer posted at each of our exit doors.



THE COMPASS

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Says... THANK YOU!!

Thank you for all those who supported and donated during the drive held in June 23.

The Parish has remitted to The Compass the contribution received from parishioners under the Parish "Needy/Outreach" project.



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Follow the parish at facebook.com/stchristophersmi or search stchristophersmi

PARISH SUPPORT - THANK YOU

Weekend Offerings – Jul 1 and 2

- Offertory - \$ 4,894
- Sundry Receipts \$ 2,016
(including diocesan and special collections)



Your financial support ...

for our Parish is much appreciated...

THANK YOU

You can do so by...

- **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.

Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick:

Fr. Joseph Rodrigues:

For those who have died:

Ryszard Skomra

Martin Zinderac

Brigitte Zacal

Inez Marie McGovern

May their souls rest in peace.

If any family member is deceased or sick, and you would like to be prayed for, Please contact the parish @ 905 822 1171.



FINALLY...PLEASE NOTE ...

BULLETINS will be published **BI-WEEKLY** for the summer

months of (July & August).

Please email bulletin announcements to the parish office @ Stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org Latest by the close of business Friday of each week

Have a restful and safe Summer!!!

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