

# 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

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

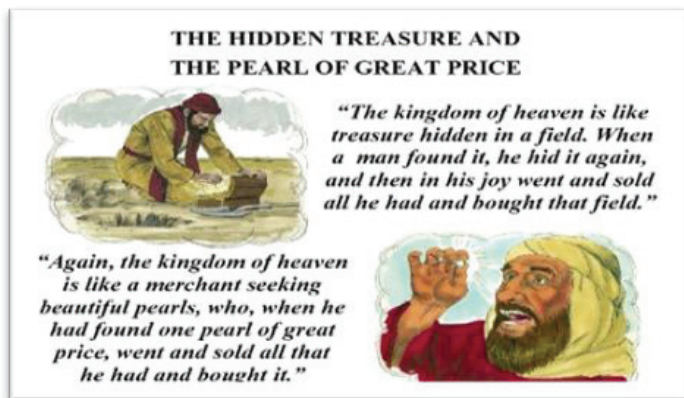
Call parish office for home visit.

### ANointing OF THE SICK

By request through the parish office.

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME & TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

### THE GOSPEL READING - Matthew 13:44-52



Psalm 119 – Lord, how I love your law  
Your decrees are wonderful; therefore, my soul keeps them.  
The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.



***Come...let us adore HIM***  
At the HOLY HOUR & EVENING PRAYER  
Join the parish community every Friday at 7 pm  
for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-  
followed by evening prayer of the church

### 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](mailto:gabrego@archtoronto.org). or by phone @ 905 822 1171 ext. 2225.



### A Brief on "THE Catholic Missions in Canada"

The Canadian Missions Collection supports remote dioceses in NWT and in northern Alberta as well as Catholic Missions in Canada. CMIC fosters and extends blessings of the Catholic faith by supporting many missions in many regions of our country where the population is too small, or the economic situation of the community is too fragile for the people themselves to support their local Church and its ministry. They face unique challenges in demanding cultural and physical environments.

### Special Collection: Canadian Missions – August 12-13

Thank you very much for your parish's ongoing generosity. Proceeds from this collection will greatly benefit the Dioceses of Mackenzie-Fort Smith and Grouard-McLennan.. For additional envelopes, please contact our office: [info@cmic.info](mailto:info@cmic.info) or (419) 934-3424.



### Mass Intentions

1-Aug, Tue.	9am	Jim Perdue† Maria C. Romero (S.Int.)
2-Aug, Wed.	9am	Daniel Grossi†
3-Aug, Thu.	9am	Paul Sullivan†
4-Aug, Fri.	9am	All Souls in Purgatory†
5-Aug, Sat.	9am	Serafina & Joe Moniz† Mary & Anthony Dennis† Manuel Almeida†
	5pm	Giuseppe C. Quaggiotto†
6-Aug, Sun.	8:30am	Alona Latina†
	10am	James Baxter†
	12noon	People of the Parish

### Congratulations

Please pray for Virgina & Edgardo Milan  
celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

### Baptism

Sun. Jul 23 – Elio Calce-Podgurny  
Sat. Jul 29 – Issac Ibarra

### ShareLife

A Catholic Charities agency  
supported by ShareLife

Sharelife goal is \$145,000.00

ShareLife till date (July 16, 2023 - \$ 93,454.00)

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**. <https://sharelife.org/donate>



### Vacation Bible School 2023

Thank you to all  
volunteers, campers,  
and families that have  
helped make VBS a fun  
and successful camp! We wish you a blessed and  
safe summer!



## World Day of Migrants and Refugees

The theme announced by His Holiness Pope Francis for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay." In his message, Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not. This point was reflected by St. John Paul II in his message for the 90th World Day of Migrants & Refugees, in which he wrote, "building conditions of peace means in practice being seriously committed to safeguarding first of all the right not to emigrate, that is, the right to live in peace and dignity in one's own country." As he concluded his message, Pope Francis referenced the words of the Lord when He said "...I was a stranger, and you welcomed me" reminding us that the Lord's words are a "constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door."

## 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.

**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.

To register, visit [bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat2023](http://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat2023). For more information, please email [lgwtoronto@proton.me](mailto:lgwtoronto@proton.me)

## 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](mailto:youngadult@ocytoronto.org) WEBSITE: [www.renewtoronto.org](http://www.renewtoronto.org)

## Estate Planning

The goal is to help parishioners protect themselves and their loved ones by making a proper Will and estate plan that respects their wishes and our Catholic tradition. We also mention the importance of including the parish in estate planning and remembering it in our bequests. The importance of Catholic Cemeteries and burials (especially cremation) is also discussed. Please contact us at 416 934 3400 ext. 561/519 or [Development@archtoronto.org](mailto:Development@archtoronto.org).

## 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.

## PARISH SUPPORT - THANK YOU

Weekend Offerings – Jul 15 and 16

- Offertory - \$ 5,043



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for our Parish is much appreciated ...  
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- **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](http://stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org) and click on DONATE.

## Prayer Requests:

**For those who are sick:**

Fr. Joseph Rodrigues:



**For those who have died:**

Margaret Freitas

Mary Hurley

Paul Crawford

**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](mailto:Stchristophersmi@archtoronto.org)  
Latest by the close of business Friday of each week.

**Have a restful and safe Summer!!!**



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