

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. Steven Kwon
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

Lifteen - 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.

SENIORS COFFEE TOGETHER

Tuesday mornings after 9:00 a.m. mass - (vestibule)

BIBLE SHARING

Wednesday mornings 10-11 a.m. (J.C. Room)

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Christopher Isabel Sauve, Princ. 905-822-0721

St. Helen Ruben Furtado, Princ. 905-822-4564

St. Louis Natalie Poerba, Princ. 905-822-8251

St. Luke Mark Gibson, 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.



The Advent Wreath Prayer

The following prayer may be said each evening of the week before the evening meal or at a time when the family is gathered together:

Loving God, source of all Light, hurry and send your spirit to us so that, noticed or unnoticed, we may give warmth and light to each person we meet this holy season.

We ask this, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



***Luncheon for Seniors – 9th Dec – Register!**

Christopher's family welcomes all senior parishioners to a Christmas luncheon on **Saturday, December 9, 2023 in the church hall from 11:30 am to 1:30 p.m.** Young seniors, adult seniors and senior seniors are all invited. We are limited to 65 persons so please call to reserve a place at the table. A **\$5 donation** toward the luncheon would be welcome and may be dropped off at the door.

To register or for info about the luncheon, please call Sue Merko at the parish office, 905-822-1171 Ext. 2226

*** Children's Party!! – DEC 10th- .. RSVP ASAP!**

Inviting all children up to the age of 10 after the 10am Mass on December 10. Join us for some refreshments, hot chocolate and a craft in the Parish hall. Please RSVP through the Parish website: lramos@archtoronto.org



Christmas Pageant.. don't miss out!

Rehearsals for the children's Christmas pageant every Saturday in the church. All children ages 4 to 10 are invited and there is a role for everyone! Sign up your Kids Begins from **2nd Dec 23, time 3 to 4:30 p.m.**

Please contact Levy @ **905 822 1171 Ext. 2224.**



Weekly Mass Intentions

05- December, Tuesday - 9:00 am

Remy Fresin†

Luke Soares†

06- December, Wednesday - 9:00 am

Maria Botelho†

07- December, Thurs - 9:00 am

Bernard DeSouza†

08- December, Friday - 9:00 am -

Abbey Leon†

09- December, Saturday - 9:00am

Leonardo Logiudice†

Francesco Contarin†

09- December, Saturday – 5:00pm

People of the Parish

10 December, Sunday

8:30 am Rosaria Nasato†

10:00 am Tadeo & Family†

12:00 noon Umberto Spagnolo†

*** CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10:00 am**

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

December 8, 2023

"Living Rosary" Service

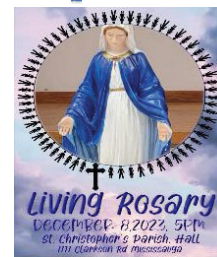
By Legion of Mary

at 5pm in the Parish Hall

For information, contact

Helen S. Halum-Noriega

Phone: 647-513-3592.



ADVENT DATES for CONFESSIONS

Our parish, schedule for confessions:

14th Dec 23, Thursday - from 7 pm – 10 pm

16th Dec 23, Saturday - from 10 am – 11 am

RELIGIOUS BOOK STORE: The religious book store will be open all weekends Starting Sunday December 3rd till Christmas.

Please Call "Liturgical Publications" on 905-624-4422 for advertising in this bulletin and reach every Catholic household in this parish.



**Adoration Night - ADVENT Special
Friday, Dec. 15 from 7 to 8:30 PM**

You are invited to join the parish community for a night of adoration, prayer and reflection. Followed by a talk by Msgr. John Pilkauskas as we prepare ourselves for the season of Christmas. Come and disconnect from the hustle and bustle of the season. Bring a friend or meet new people and dive deeper in your faith!



Caring and Sharing at Christmas

Caring & Sharing is a wonderful opportunity to share God's love with those less fortunate in our community. .

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

1. Donation of Gift cards (Walmart, PC or Metro/Food Basics). Please place the gift cards in the collection baskets at all masses the weekend of December 2nd/3rd & 9th/10th **OR** at the parish office during business hours.
2. Support 'The Compass' "Spread the Joy" campaign- donate ONLINE (thecompass.ca) or cheque –"The Compass", 427 Lakeshore Rd, East, Mississauga, ON L5G 1H8

Our heartfelt Thanks on behalf of the families who will benefit from your Caring & Sharing this Christmas.



The Knights of Columbus organizes

A Poinsettias Sale ...

Sat/Sun Dec. 2/3 after all masses

And

The Piggy Bank drive is back again!



Please pick up a Piggy Bank, take it home, fill it up with cash and loose change and return it in January 2024. Thank you for your help in this fund-raising initiative!



SHARELIFE - "Matching Gift"

"Matching Gift"- launched for year-end giving. All gifts made to SHARELIFE up to 31st December 2023, will be matched (up to \$500,000.)

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – Share Your Ideas with Archbishop Leo to assist with pastoral planning!

Your Feedback will help get a better picture to prepare a renewed Pastoral Plan for the years ahead.

Please read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and complete the short survey by December 15, 2023, please visit: ww.archtoronto.org/consultation. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.



Prayer Requests: For those who are sick: Robyn Coates, Evelyn Rego, Aurelius Rego.

For our deceased: David O’Gorman. *May his soul RIP.*

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S
MASS SCHEDULES**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, Dec 23: 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 24: 10 am & 12noon



CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, Dec. 24:

Pageant: 3:30 pm

Mass: 4:00 pm,

6:00 pm Christmas caroling followed by

Mass: 6:30 pm,

Mass, 9:30 pm &

Caroling at 11:30 pm followed by

mass at 12 midnight.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, Dec. 25: 10 am & 12noon

Holy Family

Saturday, Dec. 30: 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 31: 8:30 am; 10 am, 12noon

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Sunday, Dec. 31: 5 pm

Monday, January 1: 10 am & 12noon

Collections- Thank you!

Share Life – \$ 129,237 till Nov 28, 2023

Parish Goal: 145,000

Parish - Weekend Nov 25/26, 2023

Offertory: \$ 5,586.10

Diocesan Collections \$ 420

Altar Flowers \$ 55

Sundry Collections \$ 1,554.90

We thank you for your continued weekly support

"The Parish Financials for the period Jan - Jun 2023 are available on the parish website:

www.stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We hope that you have picked up your box of OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2024. The boxes are placed in alphabetical order, in the Parish Hall. Your box will have your name and address.

In the event you do not find your own box, please call the parish office during business hours. Start using these Envelopes ONLY in JANUARY

2024. (continue the "2023 envelopes" till 31dec).

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