

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

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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

Two purple candles are lit and the following prayer is said:

Loving God, Source of all Light,
as we prepare for the coming of Your Son,
Help us to reflect your life in all that we say and do.
Give us the strength to change our ways, rid ourselves of
angry thoughts, bitter words, and selfishness and anything
that distracts us from Your light in us. Amen.



ADVENT NEWS

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



**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. It will be followed by a talk by Msgr. John Pilkauskas to help us prepare 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!



Christmas Pageant.. don't miss out!

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

Please contact Levy @ 905 822 1171 Ext. 2224.



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Weekly Mass Intentions

12- December, Tuesday - 9:00 am

Rita McCullan†

Jiroh Iwata†

Jade Seto-Chong†

13- December, Wednesday - 9:00 am

Susan Verdes - (Spec. Int.)

14- December, Thurs - 9:00 am

Dennis Wehby†

15- December, Friday - 9:00 am -

Dplphy Banto†

16- December, Saturday - 9:00am

Walter Tavares†

Mary Denis†

16- December, Saturday - 5:00pm

Carolyn Arnold†

17 December, Sunday

8:30 am People of the Parish

10:00 am Remy Fresin†

12:00 noon Carla Marchiori†

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



RELIGIOUS BOOK STORE... OPEN!

Starting Sunday December 3rd till Christmas, the religious book store will be open all weekends



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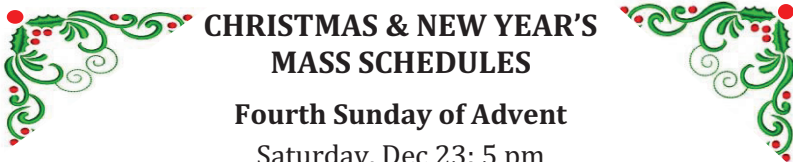
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**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S
MASS SCHEDULES**

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



**Share Your Ideas with Archbishop Leo
And so.. assist with pastoral planning!
Archdiocesan Consultation Underway –**
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.



I want a Christmas that whispers 'Jesus'.

Collections- Thank you!

Share Life – Until Dec 02/03 \$ 131,016
Parish Share Life Goal \$ 145,000

Weekend Collection Details

Offertory: \$ 6,162.10

Needy: \$ 2,611.00

Diocesan Collections: \$ 270

Flowers \$ 152

Sundry Collections: \$ 1,349.90

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

2023 Income Tax Reminder

For income tax receipt purposes, donations
received by December 31, 2023 will be
included in your 2023 income tax receipt.
Donations, received after December 31, 2023
will be included in your 2024 income tax
receipt.

Prayer Requests:



For those who are sick:

Margaret Rea; Ernestina Rea,
Lina Soave

For our deceased: *May their souls RIP.*

**Knights of Columbus'
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!



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 case you do not find your own box, please call
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