

# 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 GOSPEL..... (Mark 1:29-39)**

Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them..."

After sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup>The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup>and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was....

And THEN....



**PSALM: 147**

Sing praises to the Lord - who heals the broken-hearted. How good it is to sing praises to our God; for He is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting. The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel....



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

- 06- February, Tuesday - 9:00 am**  
Maria Teresa & Giovanna Fantauzzi†  
Brian Pinto†  
Angelo Gaetano†
- 07- February, Wednesday - 9:00 am**  
Timothy Gould†
- 08- February, Thurs - 9:00 am**  
Irena Zbojna†
- 09- February, Friday - 9:00 am**  
Howard & Dorothy Michaud†
- 10- February, Saturday - 9:00am**  
Jill Terrio (Spec. Int.)  
Maria Ceresna†  
Reynaldo Duarte†
- 10- February, Saturday - 5:00pm**  
Anton Isaacs†
- 11- February, Sunday**  
8:30 am Pasquale Battaglia†  
10:00 am People of the Parish  
12:00 noon Theresa Bates†

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass**



***O Come...let us adore HIM***  
at **The HOLY HOUR**  
Adoration will be after morning mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> & last Friday of the month, the other Fridays it will be in the evening @ 7pm.

**PREPARATION Continues!**



Please continue to pray for those who are preparing for First Holy Communion, Reconciliation & Confirmation. As they continue their FAITH journey in Jesus, may they be filled will His knowledge, wisdom and grace.

**FUN TIME**

★ **1<sup>st</sup> Super Bowl Party!** Join us on **Sunday, February 11,** in the Parish Hall for the Super Bowl! Time: 5pm to 10pm. Enjoy some pizza, wings and more while cheering on your favorite team! Tickets are \$10 per person and \$25 per family.



★ The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to the annual **Mardi Gras Dinner & Dance on Saturday, February 10 at 6pm.** Tickets on sale after all weekend masses: Adults \$25 - Youth \$15 - 12 & under free.



★ **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner:** Tuesday, February 13 at 5pm. All are welcome to enjoy a complimentary pancake, sausage & fruit dinner hosted by your Knights of Columbus.

**Seeking a Higher calling -Vocations**

Do you hear the SPIRIT promptings... Proclaim HIS word as a priest, deacon, brother, speak to Fr. Matt, Dir. of Vocations, for Toronto at 416 968 0997 or [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) / [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca) (See the following page. for a special Retreat)

**DO YOU HAVE BLESSED PALMS AT HOME FROM PREVIOUS YEARS?**

Please place them in the container provided outside the front middle doors of the church on February 3/4 or 10/11. The palms will be burned and used for our Ash Wednesday Celebrations on February 14<sup>th</sup>.





## A Celebration of Marriage in the Archdiocese of Toronto

Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, who celebrate their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. Please Register for Seats. The Mass will be at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto)**. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join via [livestream Mass](#). The broadcast will begin at 2:45 p.m.

### RETREATS - Experiencing GOD closely!



- ★ **It is especially For Cancer Patients & Caregivers -God's Healing Love** at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre (1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga) Saturday, February 17, 2024. Registration 8:30 am. Cost: \$45.00. For information, contact Jean at 905-278-5229/ [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)
- ★ **"Come & See" VOCATION Discernment Weekend Retreat** The Retreat offers a way for men 18 years and older - to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Held at St. Augustine's Seminary by Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director, Office of Vocations On Friday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday, March 17 at 2 p.m.
- ★ **The "Holy of Holies": Discovering the Richness of the Mass** by Fr. Eric Rodrigues, Director of Spiritual Formation and Liturgy on February 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough. <https://staugustines.on.ca/events-listing/st-augustinesspirit-life-series-lenten-retreat>.
- ★ **"Day of Prayer and Healing" -from the Pain of Abortion** on: Feb 10, April 20 and July 20, 2024, by SISTERS of LIFE. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to be endured for a lifetime. Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? Help her discover the tender mercy of Jesus! For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (416) 463 2722) or reach us by email at [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org).

### Dancing for The Compass:

I am happy to report that the 17th Annual Dancing for The Compass was a great success upstairs at the Port Credit Legion on Saturday January 27. We sold 152 tickets, held a successful raffle raising \$1,621, added in some donations and a total of \$2,341.00 was turned over to The Compass. Thank you for your support of this great community fundraiser!  
Peter Toller

## World Day for Celebrating Consecrated Life

Inviting those who have been called to the vocation of Consecrated life to join Archbishop Francis Leo, for a special Mass **on Feb. 3, 2024**, at 10:30 am, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto. The Archdiocese is truly blessed by your witness and expresses our gratitude for your incredible contributions. The Mass will also be livestreamed on the St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica website. The Holy Mass will be followed by a light luncheon. Confirm your presence by RVSP to: [vicarForConsecratedLife@archtoronto.org](mailto:vicarForConsecratedLife@archtoronto.org).

### Prayer Requests:

**For those who are sick:**  
Anthony D'Souza; Linda Morse

**For our deceased-** Irene Abdullah, Ruth Noseworthy & Jose Pantaleon  
*May their souls R.I.P.*  
If you or a family member are sick or deceased



### Bringing the Hands of Christ

**...to those in need.**

Your support for SHARE LIFE's campaign in 2023 was truly extraordinary. The record amount of \$14.2 million raised is being utilized in so many wonderful ways; by Vulnerable Seniors, Refugees, Special Needs Persons, and assisting the Seminaries, etc...



The SHARELIFE newsletter carries the details... Archbishop Francis Leo has personally thanked each one of you... A THANK YOU! is so inadequate to cover the many thanks received from those assisted! The **SHARELIFE 2024...** Parish Campaign begins on **Wednesday, February 14, 2024.**

### PARISH SUPPORT - THANK YOU

#### January 27/28 Collections - Summary

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Offertory:        | \$ 5,147 |
| Poor Box:         | \$ 66    |
| Initial Offering: | \$ 45    |
| Sundry Offerings: | \$ 1,499 |

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