# 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 Perpetua Fernandes Parish Secretary: Youth Minister & Sacramental Preparation: Levy Anne Ramos Ministry with Maturing Adults Sue Merko Accounting: Arnold Rego Sacristan: Narda Van Dyk



#### 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.

#### **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

#### **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.

has been consulted.

#### **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.

#### **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 Iona Catholic S.S. Carl Cini, Princ. 905-823-0136 Our Lenten Journey soon begins...



Ash Wednesday A day of Fasting and abstinence 14th February, 2024. Masses: 9am & 7:30pm

#### **Stations of the Cross:**

Every Friday starting 16 February, 2024; during Lent, parishioners are invited to join us in praying the Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6:30 PM.



O Come...let us adore HM

#### 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.

## Handicraft Holy Land Christians – On February 17-18, 2024.

Bringing the Hands of Christ ...to those in need. We will welcome our special guest Paul from Sebastien Cardinal team's representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. May God Bless you for your generosity, for your help and for your prayers." Visit them at <a href="https://www.HolylandChristians.">www.HolylandChristians.</a>

PRO-LIFE PRESENTATION: On Thursday February 15 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, St. Francis of Assisi parish will host a prolife presentation in the parish hall entitled, "Effective Responses to Challenging Questions on Abortion."

The presentation will be delivered by Right to Life Mississauga & Area, the grass-roots educational arm of the pro-life movement in Mississauga and Brampton. To register, contact the parish office at 905-822-8132, or email <a href="mailto:menofstfrancismi@gmail.com">menofstfrancismi@gmail.com</a> and include Pro-Life Presentation in the subject line. **Registration is free.** We encourage everyone to come with an open heart and an open mind and invite a friend.



13- February, Tuesday - 9:00 am

Georgina (Spec. Int.) Adolfo & Esperanza (Spec. Int.) Bruno Ballestrin†

**14- February, Ash Wednesday - 9:00 am**Maria Teresa & Giovanna Fantauzzi†

**14- February, Ash Wednesday - 7:30 pm**People of the Parish

15- February, Thurs - 9:00 am

Irene Zbojna†

Christina Buenvenida†

**16- February, Friday - 9:00 am** Joe & Anita Robillos (Spec. Int.)

17- February, Saturday - 9:00am

Ozwald & Vijaya Sequeira (Spec. Int.) Monica DeSouza (Spec.Int.)

**17- February, Saturday – 5:00pm**Bernard & Mina Genoway†

18- February, Sunday

8:30 am Deceased members of the Legionaries 10:00 am June & Leonora Endrina (Spec. Int.) 12:00 noon - People of the Parish

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

#### **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 with His knowledge, wisdom and grace.

# 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 <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a> / <a href="https://www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>

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.

#### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

### **3 WAYS TO REGISTER:**

- 1. scan this OR code:
- 2. follow this QR link: https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24
- 3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

## **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@goa.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/eventslisting/st-augustinesspirit-life-series-lenten-retreat.

Parish Sponsorship of Christian Refugees Program (Project Hope). The Archdiocese's Office for Refugees is excited to announce the commencement of its 2024 Refugee Sponsorship Program for Parishioners. This initiative is designed to aid parishioners interested in sponsoring family members seeking refugee resettlement. If you are a parishioner and wish to sponsor a family member, kindly contact, Luciano Moro at lmoro@archtoronto.org or 437-290-9333.

## 15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith - Catholic **Women's Conference**

Saturday March 23, 2024

Timings: 9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch) Opening Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins.

# PARISH SUPPORT -THANK YOU



February 3 / 4 Collections - Summary Offertory - \$ 6,207 Poor Box \$1,195 Sundry Donations \$ 1,115

## PLEASE DISCARD ALL YOUR 'UNUSED' 2023 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES.

**New Beginnings** ministers to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or bereavement. Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program February 14 & 15, 2024 @ 7:00 pm Register at:

https://nbsd0224.eventbrite.ca. For more information please contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE, RP (Q) alimanni@cfstoronto.com (647) 215-3978.

# **Catholic Moms Group:**

Moms, how are you preparing for Lent? We will be discussing "The Spiritual Anatomy of a Mother's Heart" at our meeting on Wednesday, **February 21st.** We meet in the Msgr. Hickey Lounge at 7:30pm.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact jen@catholicmomsgroup.com.



"Take Heart: "By His Wounds. We Are Healed". March 2, 2024 Metro Toronto Convention Centre Adult Rally \$30 Youth Rally \$15 For more information on the rally and to purchase tickets, email contact@ljhr.ca or call 647-873-1753 or visit the website www.ljhr.ca.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

For those who are sick:

George Zendel Rosiecki; Sarah Kagan; Bridget Bautista; Margaret Rea For our deceased-

Robert Alexander Bertrand Mrs. Mariam Salib; Leslie Wei & Denise

May their souls R.I.P.



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