

# 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.

# Transfiguration of Jesus ...

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter, James and John, and led them up a high mountain, apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white.... **"This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"**



**Psalm 116** -I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation. Your paths, Lord, are love and faithfulness for those who keep your covenant.



## Weekly Mass Intentions

- 27- February, Tuesday - 9:00 am**  
Annamaria Carnevale†  
James Pierce†
- 28- February, Wednesday - 9:00 am**  
Ray Kanoza (Spec. Int.)
- 29- February, Thurs - 9:00 am**  
Maria Chellaraja (Spec. Int.)
- 01- March, Friday - 9:00 am**  
Irene Zbojna†
- 02- March, Saturday - 9:00 am**  
Christine Palens†
- 02- March, Saturday - 5:00pm**  
People of the Parish
- 03- March, Sunday**  
8:30 am Tang Benito†  
10:00 am Jeanette Samman†  
12:00 noon Astra Fernandes †



*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.

### Annual Mass of St. Patrick:

The annual Mass of St. Patrick at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 16 at 10 a.m. His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome. Those unable to attend can participate in the celebration via livestream t [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

### 400<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary Mass in honour of St JOSEPH. Patron of Canada.



Come and join us at St. Christopher's parish, on **Wednesday, March 20, at 7pm.**, in celebrating 400 years of St Joseph as Patron of Canada with a concelebrated Mass with Fr. Arthur Hlebnikian, EP and musically accompanied with the organ, trumpet and violin. Organized by the "Heralds of the Gospel".

Contact them at P.O. Box 724, Nobleton, ON L0G 1N0.  
Email: [heralds@heralds.ca](mailto:heralds@heralds.ca). WhatsApp 15874006352.

### YOU KNOW THAT ST. CHRISTOPHER'S HAS AN ONLINE MESSAGING SERVICE?



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### CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday, during Lent, parishioners are invited to join us in praying the Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6:30pm.

### PREPARATION Continues!

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

### Save the date

St. Christopher's Parish -  
Lenten Reconciliation Dates:  
Tuesday, March 19th at 7-9 p.m. &  
Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11 a.m. to 12noon

### Hockey Knight at St Christopher's:



Saturday, March 9 at 7pm in St. Christopher's Church Hall. Come watch on the big screen as the Leaf's take on the Canadiens. Potluck & BYOB. Everyone is welcome!



“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](mailto:contact@ljhr.ca) or call 647-873-1753 or [www.ljhr.ca](http://www.ljhr.ca).

**RETREATS - Experiencing GOD closely!**



★ **Queen of Apostles Lenten Retreat**  
Registration at 8:30am, **Saturday March 9, 2024**,  
Please call Jean 905-278-5524 OR EMAIL: [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.**

**R.C.I.A.**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



**A WARM WELCOME - TO OUR CATECHUMENS**

In response to God’s grace 3 catechumens are preparing to celebrate the sacraments of initiation this Easter. They will formally express their desire to deepen their relationship with Christ and the Catholic Church.

The Rite of Election / Enrolment of Names celebrates our catechumens’ response to God’s call and their desire to enter fully into the life of the church. The church accepts them for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. At the Easter celebration, the Catholic family joyfully invites them to write their names in the Book of the Elect (chosen).

As they look to us for an example of Christian renewal, let us pray to the Lord for them and for ourselves. May we be renewed by one another’s efforts and together come to share in the joys of Easter.

**OTHER Programs**

★ **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Dynamic Women of Faith – Catholic Women’s Conference** - Saturday March 23, 2024  
Time: 9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)  
Opening Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins.

★ Thank you for your support & generosity to the **Handicraft Holy Land Christians**. God Bless!

**PARISH SUPPORT - THANK YOU**



**February 10 & 17, 2024**  
**Collections - Summary**  
Offertory: \$ 11,002.05  
Hall Rental: \$ 4,000  
Mass Offerings: \$ 1,650  
Funerals: \$ 1,210  
Poor Box: \$ 625  
Share Life: \$ 220  
Sundry Collections: \$ 1,463.55



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2024 Parish Campaign of ShareLife Sunday DONATION Collections coming up on March 17 | April 28 | June 2.

★ **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](mailto:lmoro@archtoronto.org) or 437-290-9333.

**Prayer Requests:**

**For those who are sick:**

Patricia Kowal

**For those who died:**

Bridget Martha Nusca

Marie Koprach

May their souls R.I.P.



**What is Prayer?**

**According to St. John Damascene**

“Prayer is the raising of one’s heart and mind to God.”



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