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For GOD so LOVED the WORLD.
that HE gave
HIS only-begotten SON!!



FOURTH SUNDAY in LENT

“(John 3:14-21) Jesus said to Nicodemus: “Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.
For God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.. “

Psalm 137

Let my tongue cling to my mouth if I do not remember you!
By the rivers of Babylon — there we sat down and we wept when we remembered Zion.



O Come...let us adore HIM

at The HOLY HOUR

Adoration will be after morning mass on the 1st & last Friday of the month, the other Fridays it will be in the evening @ 7pm.

400th 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 LOG 1N0. Email: heralds@heralds.ca. WhatsApp 15874006352.

Annual Mass of St. Patrick:

will take place on Saturday, March 16 at 10 am at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St., Toronto. His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome. Those unable to attend can participate via livestream www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.

ShareLife 2024 Parish Campaign begins on March 17



Weekly Mass Intentions

- 12- March, Tuesday – 9:00 am**
Linda Morse (Spec. Int.)
Tony Benito†
- 13- March, Wednesday - 9:00 am**
Jack Ouellette†
- 14- March, Thurs – 9:00 am**
Teresa Laly Jose†
- 15- March, Friday - 9:00 am**
Pilar Alcantara†
- 16- March, Saturday - 9:00 am**
Anna DeSouza (Spec. Int.)
John & Frances Feist†
Paul Kromer†
Laura Gatti†
- 16- March, Saturday – 5:00 pm**
Emma Della Siepe (Spec. Int.)
- 17- March, Sunday**
8:30 am Boyd Uppert†
10:00 am Julian Peter Shaw†
12:00 noon People of the Parish

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – 10 am 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.

Lenten Reconciliation

Dates: Tuesday, **March 19th at 7-9 p.m.** & Saturday, **March 23rd at 10 am to 12noon.**

There will be NO scheduled confessions for the remainder of Holy Week!

PREPARATION Continues!

We 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.

PARISH SUPPORT -THANK YOU

(March 2 & 3, 2024)

Collections – Summary)

- * Sunday Offering - \$ 6,487
- *Baptisms \$ 300
- *Poor Box \$ 175.50
- *Sundry Collections: \$ 1,494.50

Holy Week at St. Christopher's

Palm Sunday – Saturday, 23rd March (Vigil Mass) at 5pm
Sunday, 24th March at 8:00am, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

Tuesday & Wednesday- Regular Mass at 9:00 am

Holy Thursday, March 28th
Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30 pm
followed by adoration (until late)

Good Friday, March 29th
Celebration of the Lord's Passion- 11:00 am & 3:00 pm
Stations of the Cross - 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday, March 30th
Easter Food Blessing: 2 pm
The Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter: **8 pm**

Easter Sunday, March 31st
Resurrection of the Lord
8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

Please take note of the mass TIME changes.

- * On Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday:
the Mass has been changed from 8:30am to **8am** and
- * On Saturday for The Great Vigil from 8:30 pm to **8pm**

RETREATS - Experiencing GOD closely!

★ **Annual Manresa Weekend Retreat for Men**
To be like Mary-Immersed in God's Divine Life.
Friday, March 15 - Sunday, March 17, 2024
To register: <https://manresa-canada.ca/events/>
For information contact Manresa: 905-839-2864

★ **"Come & See" Weekend Retreat for VOCATION Discernment**
The Retreat offers a way for men 18 years and older - to discern a possible call to priesthood. It is being 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.**
email: vocations@archtoronto.org.
Registrations must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee



R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

CELEBRATION OF THE SCRUTINIES

Even as we all prepare for Lent and Easter, our joy will only be increased, when new brothers and sisters "The Elect" will join our Catholic Fold this Easter. The "scrutinies" are a **series of rites for adults who wish to be baptized**. They are celebrated in the third, fourth, and fifth weeks of the Lenten season. This is considered a period of purification and enlightenment for the elect to look at what might be obstacles to their relationship with Jesus.

Our Christian community supports them with prayer, as we too ask God to free us from every evil and strengthen us in what is good.



Prayer Requests:

For those who are sick:

Mario Pereira &
Nathan Fernandes

For those who died:

David Eller
May their souls R.I.P.



Lenten Food Drive: March 16 -17- 2024

As part of your Lenten almsgiving, please remember the needy. The Compass is especially in need of the following items:

- Small soup cans, Pasta and Pasta Sauce, Canned Tomatoes, Tomato Sauce, Sardines, Canned vegetables, Oatmeal
- Bar Soap, Size 6 Diapers/Pull-Ups

The Compass appreciates your donations and Thanks you for your continued support & generosity.



Piggy Banks- need to be returned!

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The Knights thank everyone who participated in this worthy charitable fundraiser.



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