

# 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

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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.



**John 15.9-17**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete."

**(Psalm 98)**

The Lord, has revealed his victory in the sight of the nations. Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have brought him victory.



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

- 06- May, Monday – NO MASS**
- 07- May, Tuesday – 9:00 am**  
 Maria Teresa†  
 Giovanna Fantauzzi†  
 Abbey Leon†  
 Susan Lindo (Spec.Int.)  
 Rosemary Castellarni (Spec. Int.)
- 08- May, Wednesday – 9:00 am**  
 Fr. Luis D'Araujo†
- 09- May, Thurs – 9:00 am**  
 Irene Zbojna†
- 10- May, Friday – 9:00 am**  
 Suzanne & Chukri Karakand†
- 11- May, Saturday – 9:00 am**  
 Aurora Lasam†  
 Desiree Fernandes (Spec. Int.)
- 11- May, Saturday – 5:00 pm**  
 Martin & Helen Znidarec†
- 12- May, Sunday**  
 8:30 am Rosaria Nasato†  
 10:00 am People of the Parish  
 12:00 noon Wojciech Bojanowski†



*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.

**MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY**

In the words of Fr. Patrick Peyton, "The family that prays together stays together." Let us give Mary, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, a place in our lives and pray the family Rosary.

May Mary the Mother of Jesus Christ ask her Son's blessings for you.



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY – 10 am Mass**



**Roses for Life - buy a rose**

*Help us protect human life*

All proceeds donated to Pro-Life movement. The Knights of Columbus will be distributing rosettes and accepting donations after all weekend Masses.

**Mother's Day Plant and Basket Sale:**

The Knights of Columbus will have an array of spring flowers and baskets available for purchase after all masses on Sunday, **May 12th**. Spring into the season with a floral treat for Mom!

**Our children are getting CONFIRMED**

On Tuesday, May 21 and Thursday, May 23 evening, grade seven youth from our elementary schools will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We welcome Bishop Ivan Camilleri to our parish. Please pray for our children and their families. May they be a source of support as they grow in understanding, love, and service, practicing their faith together.

**Meanwhile...PREPARATION Continues!**

Please pray for those preparing for Communion as they continue their FAITH journey in Jesus and be filled with His knowledge, wisdom and grace.



**R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

(RCIA) for adults who would like to become Roman Catholic will begin again in the fall. If you or a loved one would like to consider becoming a Roman Catholic, please contact Georgina Abrego by email at [gabrego@archtoronto.org](mailto:gabrego@archtoronto.org).



**Special Collection.. Please support**

This weekend - May 4th & 5th, 2024:

**POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION**

Today, there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. Please give generously. Thanks!

MAY 5, 2024



Message From...His Grace Our Most Reverend  
Francis Leo...

## Archdiocese of Toronto - Year of Prayer 2024

In the words of the Holy Father, Year of Prayer is dedicated "to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.) [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org). ("TEACH US TO PRAY").



### Catholic Education Week - May 5-10, 2024 "We are called to Love".

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2024, which runs from May 5 to 10. For more than 183 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more information about Catholic Education Week, visit: [godnewsforall.ca](http://godnewsforall.ca) or [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

### Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday

Sunday, May 5, 2024 has been chosen as Mental Health in the Faith Communities Awareness Sunday throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. This day is intended to raise awareness in our parish communities of the importance of mental health, how we need to look after it and how important it is to get help if we are struggling. Increasing awareness about mental health also helps people living with mental health issues to feel less alone. And, normalizing mental health and mental health illness can decrease the stigma and shame attached to them. Resource materials can be found on the <https://www.archtoronto.org/mentalhealth>.

### Lunch 'n Learn for Seniors:

Join us on **Wednesday, May 8th from 12 noon to 1 p.m.** in the parish hall as we discuss Fall Prevention in Seniors. Joe Coscarella, parishioner and member of the Knights of Columbus will explain how we risk falling in our senior years, either at home, or outdoors, and what can be the consequences of a fall. We will also look at the steps we can take to prevent a fall from happening. Bring a sandwich and we will provide the tea and coffee. For more information please contact Sue Merko, Seniors Outreach at the parish office 905-822-1171.

**Mark the Date - June 2, 2024**

### Next ShareLife Sunday Collection!

Our Parish goal for 2024 is - \$156,500.00

Collections Year-to-Date (Jan 01 to April 28) - \$ 59,487

**ShareLife**  
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### PARISH SUPPORT - THANK YOU

(Sunday April 27/28, 2024 - Collection Update)

- Share Life: \$ 10,913
- Offertory: \$ 4,879
- Hall Rental: \$ 1,000
- Baptisms \$ 300
- Candles: \$ 363
- Funerals: \$ 600
- Flowers: \$ 20
- Sundry Donations \$ 250.00



### Pilgrimage to

Travel to ITALY with Father Steven Kwon  
From **21 Oct. to Nov. 1st, 2024**  
Please call the parish office.



### INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC

**CONGRESS** Traditionally every four years, the Holy Father invites pilgrims from around the world to join in an International Eucharistic Congress. This year's event will take place in **Quito, Ecuador from September 8 to 15, 2024.** Registration deadline is **June 6 with early bird pricing available until May 6, 2024.** Contact Fr. Chris Cauchi, Archdiocesan Co-Ordinator. Additional information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/iec](http://www.archtoronto.org/iec) or email to: [ccauchi@archtoronto.org](mailto:ccauchi@archtoronto.org).



### Beautiful Gift ... Vocation to Cloister Convent

Please keep Desirée Fernandes in your prayers as she joins the Cloister Convent on May 13, 2024, on the Feast of our Lady of Fatima. Thank you.

### Prayer Requests:

#### For those who are sick:

Jennifer Van Tassel  
& Suzanne Mascarenhas

#### For those who died:

James Arthur Kean & Jeff Silva  
May his soul R.I.P





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