# 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (closed: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.)

#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

Pastor: Rev. Steven Kwon
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Terence Da Silva
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Michael E. Minkowski
Lay Pastoral Associate &

Ministry with Maturing Adults

Georgina Abrego
Parish Secretary:

Perpetua Fernandes
Youth Minister & Sacramental Preparation:

Levy Anne Ramos

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Arnold Rego
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Arnold Rego
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 at 12:45 pm 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 Msgr. Hickey Lounge at 7:30 p.m. Please contact Jen via email: jen@catholicmomsgroup.com

#### **HOLY HOUR**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after morning mass on 1st & last Fridays of the month. Other Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

#### **LEGION OF MARY**

Every Sunday at 4:30 p.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**

Third Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall at 7:00 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 - (Parish Hall)

#### **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

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### PREPARATIONS during ADVENT

#### **Parish MISSIONS**



Theme: A Shoot Shall Sprout (Isaiah 11:1)

**By Rev. Allan MacDonald, CC –** (Companions of the Cross from Ottawa.)

The Eucharist celebrations with edifying Homilies, Confessions & Fellowship... to Prepare for Christmas.

You are invited to join the Parish Advent Mission. Disconnect from the hustle and bustle of the season. Bring a friend or meet new people while you dive deeper into your faith!

Saturday, 14 - Vigil Mass @ 5pm

Sunday masses: December 15 - 8:30am, 10am & 12noon

From Monday to Wednesday, December 16, 17 & 18 Time: 6pm confessions; Mass: 7pm to 9pm (with extended homily.)



#### **Days for CONFESSION**

Our parish, schedule for confessions will be:

- Thursday, 19th Dec. 2024, from 7 pm to 9 pm
- For Seniors on Saturday 21th Dec. 2024, 10 am to 11 am

## He Deserves all the GLORY!

O Come...let us adore HIM
The HOLY HOUR Adoration is after morning Mass on

the 1st & last Friday of the month, other Fridays it is at 7pm.



#### Ticket SALE for SENIOR'S LUNCHEON:

Tickets are \$10 and will be on sale after every Sunday Mass. Luncheon on **Saturday, December 14**<sup>TH</sup> from 12 pm to 2 pm.



#### **JOY TO THE WORLD!**

Come and celebrate The Christmas Season with a potluck lunch on **Sunday, December 15**<sup>th</sup> in the Parish hall after the noon Mass. Please bring a dish or dessert to share!





#### Monday, December 09 | NO MASS

#### Tuesday, December 10 | 9:00 am

- † Leonardo Logiudice
- † Gino Castellarin
- † Sydney & Emiline Lee
- † Johanna Sarmany

Patricia Capiral (Spec. Int.)

#### Wednesday, December 11 | 9:00 am

† Francisco Romero Jr. & Adoracion Romero Komarnisky

Thursday, December 12 | 9:00 am

Maria Christina Romero (Spec. Int.)

Friday, December 13 | 9:00 am

Susan Verdes (Spec. Int.)

#### Saturday, December 14 | 9:00 am

- † Abbey Leon
- † Katherine Tang
- † Kevin Mannion
- † Ernesto Junio
- † Pietro Petrone

## Saturday, December 14 | 5:00 pm

People of the Parish

#### Sunday, December 15

8:30 am † Patricia Kowal 10:00 am † Rita McCullam 12noon † Carolyn Arnold

## LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

(JK to Grade 3) during 10am Mass every Sunday!

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S

#### **MASS SCHEDULES**

#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Saturday, Dec 21: 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 22: 8:30 am,10 am & 12 noon

Monday, Dec. 23: NO mass

**CHRISTMAS EVE -** Tuesday, Dec. 24:

Pageant: 3:30 pm

Mass times: 4:00 pm, 6:30 pm, 9:30 pm & 12 midnight.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Wednesday, Dec. 25: 10 am & 12 noon

Thursday, Dec. 26: 10 am Friday, Dec. 27: 9am

#### **HOLY FAMILY**

Saturday, Dec. 28: 9am & 5 pm

Sunday, Dec. 29: 8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

Monday, Dec. 30: No mass

#### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

Tuesday, Dec. 31: 5 pm

Wednesday, January 1: 10 am & 12 noon

#### 'Vocation Seeds'

#### Second Sunday of Advent - December 8, 2024

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a> or website: <a href="mailto:www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>



#### Piggy BANKS are back!

Knights of Columbus will be distributing piggy banks for you to collect your spare change over the holiday gift buying

season (Return your (hopefully full!) bank in the New Year). The Knights of Columbus deeply appreciate the fundraisings efforts of our Parish. They in turn, help make a significant impact in the local community.



### ■2025 Sunday OFFERING Envelopes

The Offering Envelopes are ready for pick up.

The boxes are placed in alphabetical order in the vestibule. (Stair wall, behind Mother Mary's Statue.) If you have any difficulty, please call the Parish office during business hours. Start using these Envelopes **ONLY in JANUARY 2025.** (Please continue to use the "2024 envelopes" until December 31st.)

### THANK YOU for....

We are grateful for your generosity & support Parish offerings

November 23/24, 2024 - Weekend, Sunday Offerings & Special Collections (\$8,035.90)

ShareLife - (year to date): \$134,827.00

Goal: \$156,500.00

Campaign continues until December 31, 2024. You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card.

Donate online - go to: www.sharelife.org.

# St ShareLife A Catholic Charities agency

### "Matching Gift"

"Matching Gift"- is launched for year-end giving. All gifts made

to SHARELIFE up to 31st Dec 2024, will be matched (up to \$500,000.)

God bless the anonymous donor and his family for the generosity of making this possible.



## Caring and Sharing at Christmas

Caring & Sharing is a wonderful opportunity to share God's love with those less fortunate in our community. More and more

families are suffering from food insecurity and are turning to food banks such as "The Compass", who is our outreach partner.

#### **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

- ■Donation of Gift cards (Walmart |PC |Metro| Food Basics & No Frills.). Please place the gift cards in the collection baskets at all masses the weekend of November 30th /December 1st & 7th/8th OR at the parish office during business hours.
- ■Support 'The Compass' "Spread the Joy" campaign and donate ONLINE (thecompass.ca) or by cheque to The Compass, 427 Lakeshore Rd, East, Mississauga, ON L5G 1H8. Our heartfelt Thanks on behalf of the families who will benefit from your Caring & Sharing this Christmas.

#### Prayer Requests this week for:

- \*The Sick Michael Cresswell
- \* Those who have died:

Franco Delcorpo May his soul rest in peace.





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