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

Accounting:

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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The BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

And a voice came from heaven "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased"

Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

John answered them, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.". When Jesus had been baptized, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

O bless the Lord, my soul! (Ps 104)

O Lord my God, you are very great.

You are clothed with honour and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment. You stretch out the heavens like a tent.



HE deserves all the GLORY!

O come...let us adore HIM

At The HOLY HOUR Adoration

(after morning Mass on the 1st & last Friday of the month, other Fridays it is at 7pm.)

Important instructions for those Planning to be married...

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WITH LOVE IN OUR HEARTS

.... HIS GRACE SUPPLIED





Monday, January 13 | NO MASS

Tuesday, January 14 | 9:00 am

Fr. Joseph Rodrigues (Spec. Int.) Stjepan Skoko (Spec. Int.) Kresimir Skoko (Spec. Int.)

Wednesday, January 15 | 9:00 am † Clemence O'Connor

Thursday, January 16 | 9:00 am Souls in purgatory

Friday, January 17 | 9:00 am † Imelda Hendrick

Saturday, January 18 | 9:00 am † Carlos Belen

Saturday, January 18 | 5:00 pm Ozwald Sequeira (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, January 19

8:30 am John Anthony Thomas (Spec. Int.)

10:00 am Jack Suchon (Spec. Int.)12noon † Pietro Petrone

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

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



Prayer Corner: Please pray

For those who are sick:

Antonio Botelho

For those who have died:

May their souls Rest in Peace Michael Cresswell, René Poulin, Nick Salvatore, & Zofia Kurowski

We Reached our Year's Goal.

With your help, we out-did our

Target of \$156,500! We are now at \$161,852.00

Thank you for your generosity!

What's happening at St. Christopher's?

BIBLE SHARING: resumes on

Wednesday, 15 Jan2025 from 10 - 11:15 AM in

Msgr. Hickey Lounge.

A time to reflect with others on the Sunday Scripture readings ... In the context of our lives today ... Opportunities to ask questions ...



Gain insights for living... Encouragement... We look forward to welcoming new and returning friends "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

❖ Catholic Moms Group: On Wednesday, January 15th Mother's Group will be having a special visit from a local Catholic author, Berta Milavec Byrne who wrote Encounters with the Sacred. She will have some copies for sale at the meeting as well. Please contact Jen via email: jen@catholicmomsgroup.com.

❖ Dancing for The Compass on Saturday, Jan 25, 2025.

It returns for the 18th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. Doors upstairs open at 7:00pm and dancing from 8:00pm to 12:00am. An elevator is available. Reserved seating. A buffet will be prepared by the Options Mississauga Culinary Program. Wonderful raffle prizes, too!

The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$40/person. Please contact Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 or 416-464-8067 to order your tickets. It will be a fun night of 50s, 60s and 70s music with the local 8-piece band, **Little Peter and the Elegants -** voted as the "Best Local Entertainment" and "Best Local Musician or Band" again in 2024 by the Mississauga News Readers Choice Awards.

A Catholic in Recovery

This non-profit organization serves those suffering from any Addictions and unhealthy attachments (like alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction) Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the sacraments of the Catholic Church, scripture from Sunday's Mass readings, liturgical themes and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer is the basis.

Confidentiality is protected. Join others in recovery! Reach: Catholic in Recovery: 289-541-8188, Cirstroch@gmail.com WEBSITE: https://www.catholicinrecovery.com,

Christian Unity - Aren't we all Brothers in Christ??

Join a wide representation of Christian leaders, to pray for the restoration of full visible UNITY willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2025 starts from Sunday, Jan. 19 to 25, 2025, 4 p.m. EST Venue: North City Church (Toronto District Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, L4L 2V7.

Thank you ...



We are grateful for your generosity & support.

- Parish offerings on Jan 4/Jan 5, 2025
 - \$6,186.05
- ShareLife -(year to date): \$ 161,852.00

Goal: \$156,500.00

NEW 2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES -

available in the vestibule (regular & PAG special collection boxes.)

The boxes are in alphabetical order. Please make it a point to pick up your box asap. Please **super-scribe your first and last name** and the amount of your offering on the envelope.

PLEASE <u>DISCARD</u> ALL YOUR 'UNUSED' 2024 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES.

Please use ONLY the new envelopes beginning January 1st, 2025

Please contact the parish office if:

- You do not have a box and would like to receive one for 2025.
- You would like to transition from Offertory envelopes to PAG (Pre- Authorized Giving- (read the explanation on the below.)
- You have a change in your postal address as this will ensure that our database information is correct for tax receipts.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG)

Your on-going care and support are very important for the Parish upkeep. To make your financial support seamless, consider participating in the Pre-Authorized Giving programme. Information and enrolment forms are available in the vestibule or at the parish office. To participate, please complete the authorization form and return to parish office.

Give us back your Piggy BANKS



The Knights of Columbus deeply appreciate the fundraisings efforts of our Parish. Please return the Piggys...with the manna you fed them. Your HELP makes a significant impact in the local community.



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