

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 Revita
Accounting: Arnold Rego
Sacristan: Narda Van Dyk



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 1:30 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

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they... Luke 4:1-13

(With the Psalmist ..we say!) (Ps 91).

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."



Monday, March 10 | NO MASS

Tuesday, March 11 | 9:00 am

- † Dora & Michael Bailey
- † Sponga Family
- † Nancy Bourgeois
- † Tony Porotta
- † Francesco Del Vicario

Wednesday, March 12 | 9:00 am

- † Hovakimiam Family

Thursday, March 13 | 9:00 am

- † Oret Willie Gay

Friday, March 14 | 9:00 am

- † Jerry Adriano

Saturday, March 15 | 9:00 am

- Anna De Souza (Spec. Int.)
- Oliver Raczka (Spec. Int.)
- † Neil Sweeney


Saturday, March 15 | 5:00 pm

- Todd Yardley


Sunday, March 16

- 8:30 am Cebula family (Spec. Int.)
- 10:00 am † Manuel Silva
- 12noon † Chester John

CHILDREN'S LITURGY- 10AM MASS
Don't Miss it!



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.)





Stations of the Cross: During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:30 pm followed by Holy Hour at 7 pm.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays at 10:00am

Have you also experienced JESUS' awesome love...but not yet a baptized Catholic...JOIN THE

FAMILY that LOVES JESUS! Would you or a loved one like to become a part of our Roman Catholic Family? If you feel the urge in your spirit... then join *The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)*. Especially for adults who would like to become Roman Catholic and understand the faith in a real way.

Contact: Georgina Abrego, Lay Pastoral Associate by email at gabrego@archtoronto.org Or @ 905 822 1171 ext. 2225.

 **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins the weekend of March 8/9** REMEMBER TO ... set your clocks **FORWARD** one hour before retiring the night of Saturday, March 8th.

PREPARATION

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



MARCH 9, 2025

What's happening at St. Christopher's?

Jubilee Year 2025 – “Pilgrims of Hope”



The Catholic Church worldwide will be celebrating a special Jubilee Year in 2025. Many celebrations within the city of Rome and also local initiatives in dioceses around the world.

Our Parish will be praying the Jubilee Prayer during mass after the prayers of the faithful.

March Break Camp: March 10-14th

Camp fee is \$100/child, which includes camp materials and one snacks. Forms and camp information is available on our parish website or contact Levy Anne Revita at lramos@archtoronto.org.

Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat – March 14 to March 16, 2025 at St. Augustine's Seminary. The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, March 14 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, March 16 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeesee.

For more information, please go on line: vocations@archtoronto.org.

Catholic Charities Scholarships and Community Service Awards. Catholic Charities is now accepting applications for their full array of Scholarships and nominations for our Community Service Awards. With five available scholarships, focusing on various areas of study and a diverse field of candidates, they are excited to support the future leaders of social services within our community. You can recognize the remarkable individuals that are actively contributing and impacting our communities with their acts of service by nominating them for one of the Michael Fullan Community Service Awards. Link to the online nomination from: <https://forms.office.com/r/K5wzr51h4Z>. More details on all the scholarships and awards, including the eligibility criteria, can be found on their website: www.ccat.ca/scholarships. Follow them on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and X for testimonials from some of the past recipients. **Submission deadline for all scholarships and awards is April 30, 2025. CONTACT: kquan@ccat.ca or phone 416-934-3401 ext. 419.**



Prayer Corner: *Please pray*

***For those who are sick:**

Joseph Badour.

***For those who have died:**

May their souls Rest in Peace.

If you or a family member is sick or deceased and would like to be prayed for, please contact the parish office.

Thank you ...



We are grateful for your generosity & support.

❖ Parish offerings on March 1/2, 2025
\$5,572.00

ShareLife Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife Agencies.

Archbishop Francis Leo joins Fr. Steven Kwon in thanking you for supporting the ShareLife Parish Campaign.

Participation in the 2024 ShareLife Parish Campaign has been truly extraordinary, achieving a record-breaking \$14.4 million raised. Your compassion is making a meaningful difference in the lives of the most vulnerable members of our community.

The parish community of St. Christopher's, in Mississauga, contributed \$161,852.00 which exceeded our parish goal.

March 30th is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need!

Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest 2025.

The Office for Interreligious Dialogue invites high school students (aged 13 to 19 years) in the Catholic School Boards within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Youth Interfaith Video Contest sponsored by the Dominican Friars of Toronto in collaboration with The Catholic Register, Salt + Light Media and the Mary Ward Centre. **This year the theme of the contest is: Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity.** In an age of division, the contest calls on high school students in the Archdiocese of Toronto to explore how love, compassion and interfaith dialogue can bridge gaps, foster understanding and promote unity. The contest begins on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2025, and closes on Tuesday, April 15, 2025. Students are encouraged to create a three minutes video that captures this year's theme. Please adhere to the guidelines provided on our website and submit your entries via the submission form at <https://bit.ly/DFVCSUBMISSION>.

For further information, please contact us at interreligious@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527.

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