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 Deacon Terence Da Silva Permanent Deacon: 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 Narda Van Dyk Sacristan:



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 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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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus was teaching the crowds; some of those present told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices...Then Jesus told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So, he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?'....Luke 13.1-9

(With the Psalmist .. we say!) (Ps 103).

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits.



HE deserves all the GLORY!

O Come...let us adore HIM

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

Don't Miss these dates at St Christophers

- Stations of the Cross: (Lent) Every Friday- 6:30pm (followed by the HOLY HOUR Adoration)
- Lenten Confession March 28th Friday- 7-9 p.m
- A Night of Reflection April 11th at 7 pm Fr. Steven dwells on "The Last Seven Words of Christ"

Prayer for the Health of Pope Francis (suggested by Cardinal Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto)

O merciful and loving God, fountain of all grace and source of eternal healing, be with our Holy Father, as he faces this battle with illness. Surround him, O Lord, with boundless compassion and strengthen his spirit so that he may regain the health needed to continue to lead your flock with a father's heart. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Monday, March 24 | NO MASS

Tuesday, March 25 | 9:00 am

† Felix Pinto Eliza Cardoso (Spec. Int.)

Wednesday, March 26 | 9:00 am

Fr. Joseph Rodrigues (Spec. Int.)

Thursday, March 27 | 9:00 am

† Annamaria Carnevale

Friday, March 28 | 9:00 am

† Pilar Alcantara

Saturday, March 29 | 9:00 am

- † Abbey Leon
- † Mario Da Silva Esteves
- † Veselka Bukmir
- † Estela Yumang
- † Joseph & Mary McKenna

Saturday, March 29 | 5:00 pm

† Franco Del Corpo

Sunday, March 30

8:30 am † Brendan McGarrigle 10:00 am † Rita Campomizzi

12noon † Michael Cresswell

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass

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.



What's happening at St. Christopher's?

Jubilee Year 2025 – "Pilgrims of Hope"

The Catholic Church worldwide is celebrating The special Jubilee Year in 2025.

Many celebrations are being held within the city of Rome and also various local initiatives in dioceses around the world.

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



Lift Jesus Higher Rally Toronto "Power From On High" March 29, 2025, From: 9am to 5:30pm At Metro Toronto Convention Centre

The adult Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins. You can purchase tickets online at www.ljhr.ca

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



Would you or a loved one like to become a part of our Roman Catholic Family? Please Contact: Georgina Abrego, Lay Pastoral Associate by email at abrego@archtoronto.org Or @ 905 822 1171 ext. 2225.

Do you hear HIS quiet call....??

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days



of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the lifecommitment God has prepared for you? **Do you hear HIS quiet call....?? Don't ignore it...**

Is God calling you for things beyond the material world - to be a priest, religious or deacon. Meet and discern with Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

(temporary number): (416) 261-7207 ext. 801, or email us at vocations@archtoronto.org.



Prayer Corner: Please pray

*For those who are sick:

Lola Carvalho; Basil Fernandes, Jennifer Van Tassel & Saraiya Fernandes

*For those who have died:

Helen Zelger - *May her soul 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 15/16, 2025

\$5,838.10

Parish ShareLife Goal for 2025:

\$166,500.00

Following the presentation of the Parish Financials, printed copies are available for pick up at the church entrance. Completed PAG forms can be placed in the collection basket. Thank you for your support.

SL ShareLife

March 30th is the First ShareLife

Sunday. Thank you for living the Gospel This ShareLife Sunday marks the **first** collection for our parish's annual campaign. But ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. From children to seniors, and everyone in between, more than 40 ShareLife agencies are there each step of the way. As a family of faith, we lift each other up from our lowest moments. Nick's life had an easy start – he came from a good home, where he was raised with a strong work ethic, and he welcomed a son. But living with a mental illness, he struggled more than some. Deep inside, he felt like something was missing, and he devastatingly fell into addiction. With your helping hand, he rose up through the DARE Program at Good Shepherd. "By the grace of God, I am still alive," he proclaims. "I'd love to be able to give back what was so freely given to me. I am taking roles of service, giving back as much as I can. I was afraid I'd never be able to feel the way I feel. I am very grateful that I have been given this opportunity to be sober." Thanks to your support, he is no longer just surviving he is thriving, with a heart full of hope and a future filled with promise.

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