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.)

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

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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 Iona Catholic S.S. Carl Cini, Princ. 905-823-0136

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 Accountina: Arnold Rego Narda Van Dyk Sacristan:

PASTORAL TEAM



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.



5th Sunday of Lent

Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, sir." And

Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again." John 8:1-11

CHILDREN'S LITURGY RUNS EVERY SUNDAY AT 10 AM - AGE 4-11.

Prayer Requests

For the sick: Margaret Bolland, Peter Bolland & Vlad Cvitko For the deceased: Thomas Zubert

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

Swiecenie Pokarmow – Easter Food Blessing Saturday April 19th at 2:00pm in the Church



In many Eastern European countries, it is a tradition to have a basket of food blessed on Holy Saturday or Easter Sunday. In Poland, for example, the blessing of the baskets is known as święcenie pokarmow wielkanocnych, a practice dating to the 15th century or earlier, and one which is still maintained by most families in Poland on Holy Saturday.

Easter Triduum Retreat for Men & Women

Thursday, April 17, 2025 06:30 PM - Sunday, April 20, 09:30 AM Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre

Our Easter Triduum retreat for men & women. These days of retreat provide silence and solitude for entering more deeply into the mystery of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ.

This silent retreat begins on Thursday evening and runs to Sunday with Mass followed by breakfast. The suggested offering is \$360 per person which includes three night's accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program.

CONTACT: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre REGISTER: Email manresaregistration@outlook.com, visit https://manresa-canada.ca or call 905-839-2864.



Mon. April 7th: St. John Baptist de la Selle *NO MASS*

Tues. April 8th: 9am - Neil Sweeney* Blake Sequeira Peter + Josephine Lucas†

Wed. April 9th: 9am - Christine Nickalls†

Thurs. April 10th: Raul Felipe Mercier[†] 9am –

Fri. April 11th: St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr 9am – Arsenia Ronaldo Tizan[†]

Sat. April 12th:

9am – Kam Fon Wong[†] Klich Marion[†] Mirko Bukmir 5pm – Patsy Connolly†

Sun. April 13th: Palm Sunday: 8:30 am – Lyra DeSouza† **10 am** – People of the Parish[†] 12 noon – Pat & Dianne Boone (61st Wedding Anniversary)

What's Happening at St. Christopher's

Mon. April 7th: K of C, 3rd Degree – Service meeting Msgr. Hickey Lounge (7pm)

Tues. April 8th: Confirmation Class (Hall) – 7pm

Wed. April 9th: Confirmation Class (Hall) - 7pm

Thurs. April 10th: Jr. EDGE (Hall) 6pm

Fri. April 11th: 6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm – The Last 7 Words of Christ (Church)

Sat. April 12th: 10am - RCIA Retreat(Hall) 2:30pm - Focolore (Hall, JC, HL) *Novi Singers Toronto choir* presents a Lenten and Easter concert entitled **Te Deum: from Lament to Glory.** The Passion and Resurrection of Christ will be expressed through great musical pieces from Allegri's Miserere Mei, Mozart's Regina Coeli, to Haydn's Te Deum Laudamus.

The choir will be joined by Mosaic Canadian Vocal Ensemble featuring St. Christopher music director Vincent Cheng, with many of our 12pm choir members along with the Toronto Sinfonietta Chamber Orchestra and guest soloists. This memorable concert will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Church located at 3055 Bloor Street W. on Sunday April 6th, 2025 at 4:00 PM. Tickets are \$35.00 & \$40.00 at the door. Tickets are also available through Eventbrite. Further information can be found at novisingerstoronto.ca.

Holy Name of Mary College School's Open House is on Tuesday, April 15th at 9 am. Explore how our vibrant and a progressive Catholic school for girls in Grades 5-12 ignites intellectual curiosity and fosters personal growth.

Meet our dedicated faculty, tour our facilities, and learn about our rich educational programs and co-curricular activities designed to broaden horizons and nurture futu leaders. Register now at www.hnmcs.ca or call Giselle Fernandes at 905-891-1890, ext. 103

Youth Ministry Corner!

Stations of the Cross: Youth volunteers are needed to help lead Friday's Stations of the Cross on Fri. Apr. 18th.



Vacation Bible School "True North" 2025 Week One: Monday, July 14 to Friday, July 18 Week Two: Monday, July 21 to Friday, July 26.

Registration dates:

Tuesday, April 22 & Wednesday, April 23 at 6-8:30 pm in The church vestibule (main entrance). <u>CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY.</u> Forms for campers AND volunteers are available at stchristophersmi.archtoronto.org

***PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATION FORMS AND FEES WILL <u>NOT BE ACCEPTED</u> AT THE PARISH OFFICE. ***

Youth Bake Sale!! May 3rd & 4th following all masses in the church vestibule.

Parish Soccer Tournament in honour of Blessed Carlo Acutis' Canonization into Sainthood: Saturday, May 10 (TIME TO BE CONFIRMED *** WEATHER PERMITTING)

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT LEVY ANNE: <u>LRAMOS@ARCHTORONTO.ORG</u> OR EXT. 2224

Weekend Collections -March 20/30, 2025

Baptism Offerings	\$150.00
Building Maintenance	\$52.00
Funerals	\$300.00
Poor Box	\$210.00
ShareLife	\$28,657.50
Weekly Collection	\$7,865.30
Youth Account	\$20.00

The Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday-Saturday, April 12th (Vigil Mass) at 5pm Sunday, 13th April at <u>8:00am</u>, 10:00am & 12:00noon

Monday 14th No Mass Tuesday 15th Regular Mass at 8:30am Wednesday 16th- Regular Mass at 9:00am

By HIS Stripes .. we are Healed! IS:53-5

Holy Thursday, April 17th Solemn Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30pm (Bring bells to Mass on Holy Thursday) Exposition of **Blessed Sacrament**: 8:30pm to 12 midnight in the parish hall.

Good Friday, April 18th (A Day of Abstinence) . The Lord's Passion Service- 11:00am & 3:00pm . Stations of the Cross –7:30pm (re-enactment by Youth)

Holy Saturday, April 19th Easter Food Blessing: 2pm The Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter: <u>8.00pm</u> (Bring bells to the EASTER VIGIL)

Easter Sunday, April 20th

Celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord

MASS at 8:00am, 10:00 am & 12:00noon

Lord, by your Cross and Resurrection,

You have set us free,

You are the Saviour of the World!

THREE PILLARS OF LENT









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