# ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH



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#### **PASTORAL TEAM**

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Youth Minister & Sacramental Preparation: Levy Anne Revita
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# **ADVENT**





<sup>21</sup> She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

<sup>23</sup> "Look, the virgin shall become pregnant and give birth to a son,

and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." <sup>24</sup> When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife

Matthew 1: 21-24

## Christmas & New Year Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE\*
Wednesday December 24<sup>th</sup>

Mass: 4:00pm | 6:30pm | 9:30pm | 12am

CHRISTMAS DAY\*
Thursday December 25<sup>th</sup>
10:00am | 12:00pm



#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE\***

**Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary. Mother of God** 5:00pm

#### **NEW YEAR'S DAY\***

Solemnity of Mary. Mother of God 10:00am | 12:00pm

\*Holy day of obligation.
There will be no morning or 8:30am mass.



Mon. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>: NO MASS

Tues. Dec. 23rd:

9am – Denys & Spearns family Rev. Steven Kwon

**Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Eve**All masses for the intentions of the parish community

**Thurs. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Day**All masses for the intentions of the parish community

Fri. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>: *St. Stephen, the 1<sup>st</sup> Martyr* 10am – intentions of the parish community

Sat. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>:
9am – Angelo Gaetano †
Zofia & Zbigniew Kurowski†
5pm – People of the Parish

Sun. Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>: Feast of the Holy Family 8:30 am – Chester, John† 10 am - Ozwald & Vijaya Segueira (S.I.) 12 noon - Annamaria Carnevale †

#### **Prayer Requests:**

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

**Sick Intentions**: Sean Bayer, Aristeo Ramos **Deceased Intentions**: Fr. John Charles Govan, Anna Salvatore, Trudi Cortens

#### Before all masses on Christmas Eve:

**Children's Christmas Pageant**: The Story of the Nativity – 3:30pm

Christmas Worship (10am Choir): 6pm

Christmas Caroling: 9pm & 11:15pm

# **SL** ShareLife

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Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

As the Christmas season approaches, we invite you to join us in making our church beautifully festive with the addition of lovely poinsettias. These vibrant plants will not only enhance our sacred place of prayer, but also create a warm and inviting atmosphere for all who enter.

If you would like to donate, please consider the following details:

- o Red, white, or pink poinsettias.
- Please leave your donations on the altar between December
   18 to 23 to ensure we have everything arranged for the upcoming celebrations.

Every contribution helps us celebrate the season together as a community. Thank you for considering this opportunity to support the parish in this most joyful season.

With gratitude,

Your St. Christopher Pastoral Team

#### 19th Annual Dancing for the Compass

Dancing for The Compass returns for a 19th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N., on Saturday January 31, 2026. Doors upstairs open at 7:00pm and dancing from 8:00pm to 12:00am. An elevator is available. Reserved seating. A snack buffet will be prepared by the Options Mississauga Culinary Program at 9:00pm. Wonderful raffle prizes, too!

The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$40/person. Please contact the church office or phone Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 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 2025 by the Readers Choice Awards.

Dear Faithful Members of St. Christopher's,

As we gather in the spirit of Christmas, I want to extend my warmest thanks to each of you for your unwavering commitment and love for our church community. Your generosity, compassion, and dedication play a vital role in our mission and in nurturing the faith that binds us together.

This blessed season invites us to reflect on the miracle of Christ's birth—a reminder of hope, love, and the promise of new beginnings. I encourage you to embrace this time with joy in your hearts and the warmth of family and fellowship.

May the grace of God and the light of Christ fill your homes with peace and happiness this Christmas. Let us continue to share our blessings and support one another in faith, standing together as a vibrant community.

Wishing you and your families a joyous and holy Christmas!

In Christ's love, Father Steven Kwon

#### **WEEKEND COLLECTIONS**

#### as of December 6/7:

Offertory & Other Parish Collections

\$7,396.55

Baptisms/Funerals/Marriages

\$310.00

**Christmas & Easter** 

\$ 691.00

**Mass Offerings** 

\$ 640.00

Charity/ Outreach Receipts

\$ 1,385.00

**Building Maintenance** 

\$ 40.00

**Diocesan Special/Second Collections** 

\$ 275.00

**Article/ Candle Sales** 

\$ 484.20

Youth Program Receipts

\$ 400.00

#### Christmas & New Years Office Hours:

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>: 9am – 12pm

Thurs. Dec. 25th: Closed

Fri. Dec. 26th: Closed

Wed. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>: 9am – 12pm

Thurs. Jan. 1st, 2026: Closed

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