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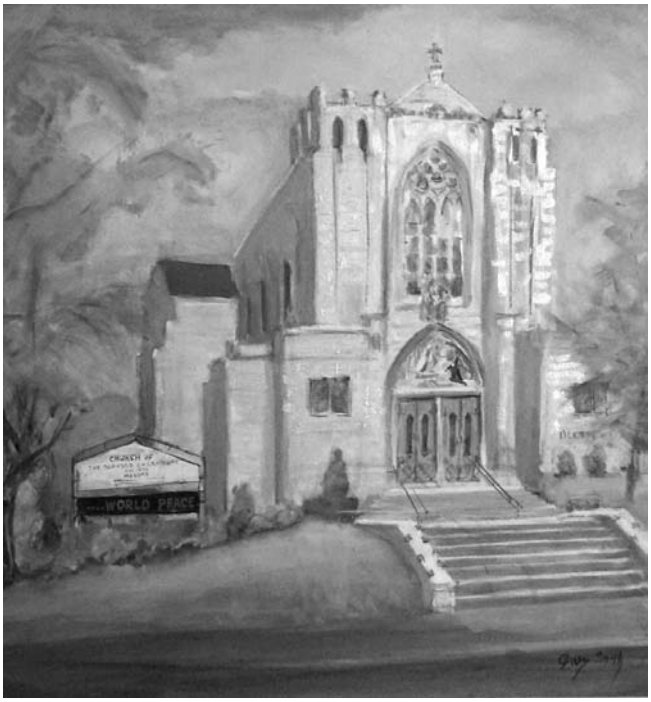

Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929
Original painting by Gary Smith

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am
(Children's Liturgy October – May 10:00 am Mass)

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday - Friday: 8:30 am
Public Holiday Mass: 10:00 am
First Friday Adoration: 9:00 - 10:00 am,
Benediction - 10:00 - 10:15 am

OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday - Closed
Saturday - Loretto Room - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Sunday - Loretto Room - 9:15 am - 12:45 pm
Registration forms for the parish and all sacraments, as well as Mass cards and religious items, are available in the Loretto Room after all weekend Masses. We also have a DVD lending library.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
All Parishioners are encouraged to register in our community. Registration forms are available in the Loretto Room on the weekends. Visit website or call the parish office.

PASTORAL TEAM
Fr. Larry Marcille - Pastor
Deacon Bill Nalepka
Sr. Mary DiGirolamo, IBVM
Joanna Manturowicz –Youth Minister/Sacramental Prep.
Jesus (Hey-Sous) Fidal Añon - Seminarian Intern
Fr. Constantin Siarapis - Priest in Residence

PASTORAL STAFF
Julie Brett - Office Administrator
Paul Honeyford - Property Manager
Agnes Ahn - Bookkeeper
Lumen Fernandes - Part-Time Reception
Aldrin Fernandes - Head Custodian
Vicente Pereira - Part-time Custodian
Oliver Lovekin - Videographer/Admin Loretto Room
June Rom-Roginski - Sacristan
Maria Thomas - Sacristan

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday—3:45 pm—4:25 pm
Or call the parish office for an appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
8 weeks notice is required.
Baptism Request Forms are available in the Loretto Room.
Baptisms are on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Marriage Request Forms are available in the Loretto Room after Mass. The form must be completed one year in advance of the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
If you need a priest to visit someone who is ill at home please call the office to notify the Parish Priest.

PARISH MINISTRIES
** Lectors*
** Eucharistic Ministers*
** Ministers of Hospitality*
** Parish Women's Group*
** Development & Peace*
** Altar Servers*
** Sacristans*
** Edge Youth Group*
** St. Vincent de Paul*
** Director of Music- Paul Jenkins 416-920-3341 cpauljenkins@mac.com*
** 10:00 am Choir - Charlie Min*
** R.C.I.A. - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*
** R.C.I.C. - Rite of Christian Initiation for Children*
** Catechetic Program for Public & Private School Children*
** Outreach Programs (Out of the Cold, Good Shepherd)*
** Knights of Columbus (1388 Council)*
** Children's Liturgy (10 am - must register)*

Archdiocese of Toronto - 416-934-0606
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Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services - www.cfstoronto.com
Vocations - www.vocationstoronto.ca
Vatican - www.vatican.va

3rd Sunday of Advent

Communion Reflection

A reed in the wind...

John the Baptist was no reed swaying in the wind.
A reed swaying in the wind is a symbol of those who are easily influenced, who go along with whatever is popular, and who have no convictions of their own.
But the humble reed can teach us something. The fact that it is light means that it is at the mercy of every wind that blows. But it has great strength too. The greatest storm cannot uproot it. Even when giant oaks come crashing down, the slender reed still stands secure.
Lord, teach us that there is strength in weakness and suppleness, and give us the wisdom to know when to bend and when to stand firm.

St. Joseph Vigil Lamp
Burns in memory of
Fr. Guenter Petricek
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St John the Evangelist Vigil Lamp
Burns in memory of
Barbara Copal

Mass Intentions - December 12 - 18

Monday *–Mario Bazzocchi + / Fr. Guenter Petricek (+)*
Tuesday *– Barbara Corpal + / Fran Walker +*
Wednesday – Sheila McGivmey + / Joe Aitken +
Thursday *– Elaine Glossop + / Rodney Crown +*
Friday *- Jean Watson + / Henry Klooppenburg + / Maria De Pasquale + / Vincenzo De Pasquale + / Ermelinda Docimo + / Lorenzo Di Cecco +*
Saturday*- 4:30 – Olympia Tabaniag +*
Sunday – *8:30 – For the People / 10 – Michael Chiarotto + / 11:30 – Dr. Kingsley Mahon +*

Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Rosemarie Chapeski, Guiditta (Judy) Carolli, Sandi Clark,
Margaret Coulter, Alan Crimi, Kenneth Field
Please call the parish office to have a name added (or removed) to the sick list.

Catechism 2022/2023

Joanna Manturowicz is our Youth Minister/Sacramental Preparation Coordinator
bsccyouthministry@gmail.com

Communion Classes – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – ~~Dec. 6~~ & 20, Jan. 10 & 24, Feb. 7 & 21, Mar. 7 & 21, Apr. 4 & 18, May 9
First Reconciliation Date: Saturday, June 3 at 10:00 am / First Communion Date: Sunday, June 4 – 2:00 pm

Confirmation Classes – 2nd & 4th Wednesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – ~~Dec. 7~~ & 21, Jan. 11 & 25, Feb. 8 & 22, Mar. 8 & 22, Apr. 5 & 19, May 10
Retreat Date – Saturday, May 27 – time TBD / Confirmation Date: Sunday, May 28 2:00 pm

Advent is a time of waiting…

During the Sundays of Advent our Presider and Ministers will take their position 5 minutes before Mass begins, to symbolize our wait for the Lord. Also, our church moves from darkness to light during the opening hymn

Journey together as a Family through Family – Gather together as frequently as possible in the evenings to Light Up the Family Advent Wreath. Each week there is theme for your family to follow: Week 1 – Hope, Week 2 – **Share, Week 3** – Joy, Week 4 – Love.
An Advent Prayer – Jesus, a gift of love, a gift of grace, a gift to share in every place.

The 11:30 am Solemn High Mass on Sunday morning is live streamed each week. The Friday morning Mass is also live streamed each week. God's Blessings on our Homebound Parishioners.

We post Mass each weekend to our YouTube channel. You can view our YouTube channel and subscribe to it.
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9WJE6kleV-_eY7-8j-Qbag

Scripture : Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10, James 5.7-10, Matthew 11.2-11

December 10, 2022

Now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love. (1 Corinthians 13.13)

Living the Gospel through ShareLife - *Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until the end of 2022, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of $1 million.*

"Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability." – Cardinal Thomas Collins

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

ShareLife

The Sr. Johanna Memorial Angel Tree – Our special tree is adorned with angels, each representing those less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting the St. Felix Centre, St. Francis Table, and the Good Shepherd Refuge. You are invited to select an angel from the tree beginning next weekend and purchase gift cards. Please leave your gift in the box or bring to the parish office. Please remember Sr. Johanna this year as she began this gift of giving and continues to be our inspiration for this tree. Thank you!

We are still awaiting the new statue we have commissioned, "Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament". Envelopes are available at all our doors for your convenience.

For the 2023 calendar year we are renumbering your offertory envelopes. Over the past several years we found that not as many parishioners are using envelopes and there was a lot of waste. On the weekend of December 17 & 18 you will be able to pick up your box of envelopes and our parish calendar. An alphabetical name list with your corresponding envelope number will be available.

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Wednesday, December 21 - 9 am – noon / 5 pm – 8 pm

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve - Saturday, December 24th
5:00 pm Family Mass , 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12 Midnight

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25th
8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

5:00 pm, 12 Midnight & 11:30 am will be live-streamed

Mon., Dec. 26th & Tues., Dec. 27th – 10:00 am

New Year's Eve - Saturday, December 31st 4:30 pm

New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary - Sunday, January 1st
8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am only will be live-streamed

Monday, January 2nd - 10:00 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday, December 19 – Thursday, December 22 - 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Closed Fri., Dec. 23rd, Mon., Dec. 26th & Tues., Dec. 27th

Wednesday, December 28th & Thursday, December 29th
8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Closed Friday, December 30th & Monday, January 2nd

Tuesday, January 3rd we return to normal hours
Monday – Thursday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

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