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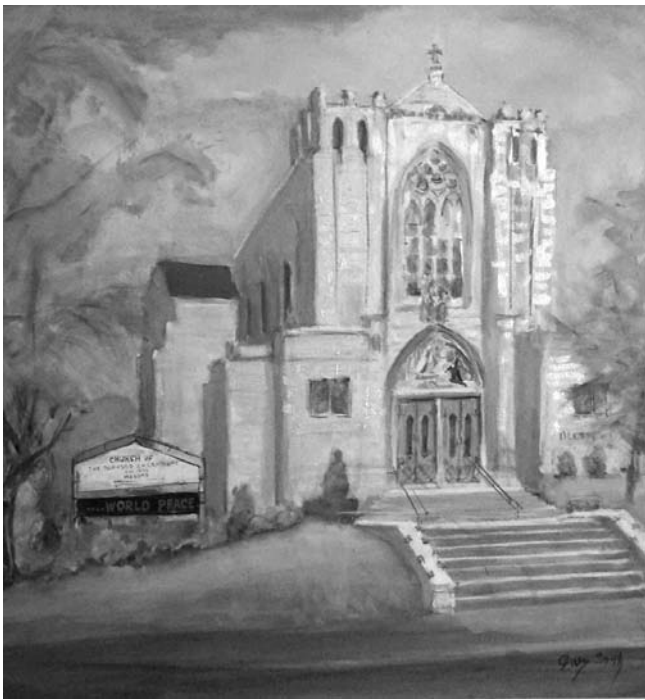
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Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929
Original painting by Gary Smith

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) Fidel 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

* 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

* Catechetical 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)

* Altar Servers

* Sacristans

* Edge Youth Group

* St. Vincent de Paul

Archdiocese of Toronto - 416-934-0606

www.archtoronto.org

Blessed Sacrament School - 416-393-5226

Principal Riccardo Agostino Vice-Principal Carla Grossi

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1st Sunday of Lent

Communion Reflection

Pruning time....



Pruning time is a painful time for a fruit tree. The pruner rids it of all those suckers which use up a lot of energy but produce no fruit. However, the aim of this surgery is not to inflict pain, but to help the tree produce more and better fruit. Lent is a kind of spiritual pruning time. There is much that is useless and perhaps harmful in our lives, which saps our energy, and diminishes our spiritual fruitfulness. Of what shall we prune ourselves this Lent so that we may become more fruitful branches of Christ, the true Vine?



Legacy 2026 – In three short years Blessed Sacrament will celebrate its 100th birthday in 2026. It is going to be a big party! We have a beautiful warm and dry church and we want to keep it this way for another 100 years. With this in mind, Legacy 2026 has launched! Legacy 2026's goal is to have a reserve fund available for upcoming repairs and future maintenance of the church. We ask that each family in the parish help by giving \$2,026 over the next three years. That works out to \$676 a year or \$57 a month. Legacy 2026 pledge cards are available at the doors of the church and monthly PAG gifts can be set up too!

*St. Joseph Vigil Lamp
Burns in memory of
Tom Watson*

*St John the Evangelist Vigil Lamp
Burns in memory of
John Brett*

Mass Intentions – February 27 – March 5

Monday – Tom Watson + / Austin Grimaldi +

Tuesday – Marcus Gibbons + / Patsy Samson +

Wednesday – Guy & Ann Macri + / Donald Bell +

Thursday – Ashley Schwalm + Bruce Grantier +

Friday - John Ophleders + / Ted Ophelders + / Ray Robitaille + /
Helene Ophelders + / Adele Rita Wong + / Peter & Lucia Weiler (INT)

Saturday –9:00 - 4:30 – John & AnaFrancisca D'Costa + / Hipolito &
Josephine Fernandes +

Sunday – 8:30-For the People / 10:00- Juvenal Santos + / 11:30-Margaret
Meehan +/Laura & Joseph Di Girolamo +

Please keep in your prayers the sick:

Rosemarie Chapeski, Guiditta (Judy) Carolli, Sandi Clark,
Margaret Coulter, Alan Crimi, Kenneth Field,
Dr. Paul Kolodej, Mary Corcoran
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 & 23**

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 & 24**

Retreat Date – Saturday, May 27 – The Confirmation Retreat will begin at 11:00 am. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The day will conclude with the Confirmandi and their families attending our 4:30 pm Mass. Looking forward to our retreat, Fr. Larry

Confirmation Date: Sunday, May 28 2:00 pm

Scripture : Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7, Romans 5.12-19, Matthew 4.1-11

February 27, 2023

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." (Pope Francis)

Blessed Sacrament Lenten Schedule

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7:00 pm during Lent
Saturday morning Mass at 9:00 am during Lent

Beginning Wednesday March 1st to March Wednesday March 29th – 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Seminarian Jesus will be giving Lenten Meditations in the Loretto Room
Mar. 1 – 40 Days of Lent, Mar. 8 – Confession, Mar. 15 – Jewish Roots of the Eucharist,
watch for Mar. 22 & 29 topics

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Fridays during Lent 9:00 – 1.00 pm at the Saint John side Altar

Lenten Day of Confession is Thursday, March 30th 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

We will soon begin our spiritual Lenten journey. Let us remember that this Holy Season requires us to increase our prayer time, to be Reconciled with Christ and our Neighbour, and to look after the needs of the Poor.

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday we are required to fast and abstain from meat. We also abstain from meat on all Fridays during Lent. Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm. As you will see, the purple colour of penance is found in the church sanctuary for the season and no flowers are displayed.

Parish Mission - Lent 2023

Guide: Fr. Frank Carpinelli

Will preach at all our Masses Saturday, March 25 and Sunday, March 26

Monday, March 27 & Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the church
Refreshments will be served in the parish hall after the Mission on Tuesday, March 28th

Know How to Suffer and Be Stronger Than Suffering - The Evangelist Luke through Peter on Pentecost Day reveals what went on in the secret of Jesus' heart as he hung agonizing on the cross (Acts 2:25-28). We will trace the theme of suffering in the Holy Scriptures and reflect on the seven spiritual goods into which we can transform our suffering. We will end with a reflection on Mary's and Jesus' suffering through the narration of the Evangelist Luke. We will also present an example of a very holy woman who lived in our Archdiocese of Toronto, whose cause for beatification is now in Rome and who like Jesus' was stronger than suffering.

Sacramental Dates for Blessed Sacrament School

First Communion will be on Sunday, May 7 at 2:00 pm

Confirmation will be on Thursday, June 1 at 7:00 pm

St. Margaret of Scotland Senior's Social Club is a non-denominational group of men and women who enjoy socializing, playing cards and/or bingo. They also serve refreshment's when they meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month in their (St. Margaret's) parish hall from 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm. The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 1st. Please join us and see what it is all about. Everyone is welcome!

The 11:30 am Solemn High Mass on Sunday morning is live streamed each week. The Friday morning 8:30 am 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>



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