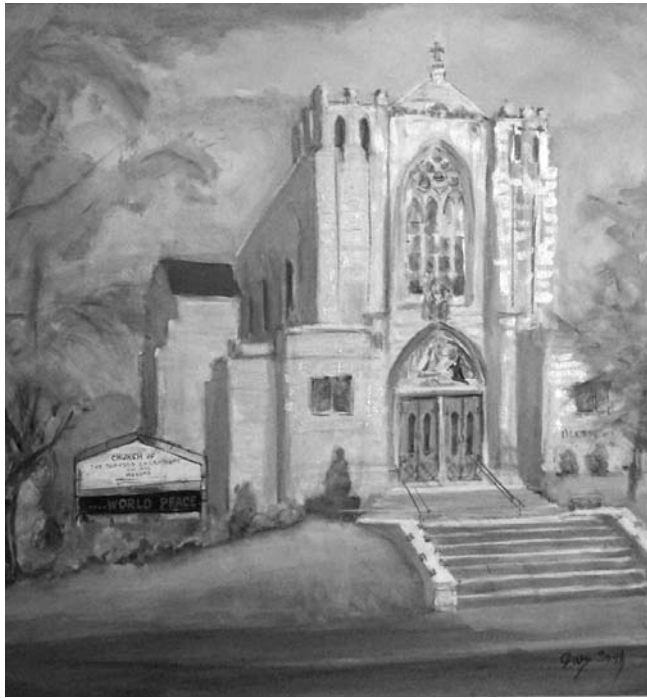


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Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929  
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## SUNDAY MASSES

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 - 4:00 pm

Closed for Lunch from 12:00 pm - 1:00 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

Fr. Prince Robert Michael - Associate Pastor

Deacon Bill Nalepka

Sr. Mary DiGirolamo, IBVM

Joanna Manturowicz - Youth Minister/Sacramental Prep.

Fr. Constantin Siarapis - Priest in Residence

## PASTORAL STAFF

Myrna Hentrich - Office Administrator

Paul Honeyford - Property Manager

Agnes Ahn - Bookkeeper

Lumen Fernandes - Part-Time Reception

Vicente Pereira - Part-time Custodian

## 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 - Maria

\* Altar Servers

\* Eucharistic Ministers - Barb

\* Sacristans - June

\* Ministers of Hospitality - Garry

\* Edge Youth Group

\* Knitting Group

\* St. Vincent de Paul

\* Development & Peace

\* Director of Music- Paul Jenkins 416-920-3341

[cpauljenkins@mac.com](mailto:cpauljenkins@mac.com)

\* 10:00 am Choir - Charlie Min - [charles\\_min@hotmail.com](mailto:charles_min@hotmail.com)

\* 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)

\* Childrens Liturgy - Joanne

Archdiocese of Toronto - 416-934-0606

[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

Blessed Sacrament School - 416-393-5226

Principal Riccardo Agostino Vice-Principal Rebecca Rego

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Catholic Family Services - [www.cfstoronto.com](http://www.cfstoronto.com)

Vocations - [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

Vatican - [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

### **MUSIC FOR CHOIR AND CANTOR MASSES**

Numbers refer to blue WAA hymnal unless otherwise indicated.

**Prelude:** Conditor alme siderum - Jehan Titelouze  
**Entrance hymn:** 2 Awake, awake: fling off the night!

**Mass Ordinary:** 505A, 508, 509, 512, 513

**Canticle response:** *Shout aloud and sing for joy; great in your midst is the holy one of Israel.* Isaiah 12

**Offertory:** 18 People look East

**Choir Mass:** Benedixisti Domine - Orlandus Lassus  
*Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins.* [Psalm 85:1, 2]

**Communion:** 7 Creator of the stars of night

**Choir Mass:** Dicite pusillanimes - Ludovico Balbi  
*Say: ye faint-hearted, take courage, and fear not; Behold, our God will come and save us.*

**Concluding hymn:** 15 O come, divine Messiah!

**Postlude:** Laissez paître vos bêtes - settings by Nicolas LeBègue and Jean-Jacques Charpentier

### **THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE**

ZEPHANIAH 3.14-18A, PHILIPPIANS 4.4-7, LUKE 3.10-18

### **VIGIL LAMPS**

| <b><u>St. Joseph Vigil</u></b> | <b><u>St. John Vigil Lamp</u></b> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Sean Hentrich (INT)            | Yvette Ghandour (D)               |

### **MASS INTENTIONS – Dec. 16 – Dec. 22**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Monday    | David Geldart (D)                                   |
| Tuesday   | Jean Watson (D)<br>Augustine & Jake Seubert (D)     |
| Wednesday | Rosary Kelly (D)<br>Robert & Rosemary Azzopardi (D) |
| Thursday  | Elaine Glossop (D), Rodney Crown (D)                |
| Friday    | Lori Lawson (D)<br>Special Intentions (INT)         |
| Saturday  |   |
| 9:00 AM   | Maria Thomas (INT), Margaret Esterhuizen (INT)      |
| 4:30 PM   | Emile Sebeh (D)                                     |
| Sunday    |   |
| 8:30 AM   | Mass for the people                                 |
| 10:00 AM  | Serafina Faria (D)                                  |
| 11:30 AM  | Kly & Shlaimon Matti (D)                            |

### **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.

### **Advent & Christmas Mass Schedule**

#### **Wednesday, December 18th**

Advent Day of Confession

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

#### **Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

Children's Mass 4:00 pm

Masses: 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 am (Midnight)

#### **Christmas Day – Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

Masses: 8:30 am, 10:00 am, & 11:30 am

#### **Boxing Day – Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**

Mass: 10:00 am

#### **New Year's Eve – Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**

Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

#### **New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

Masses: 10:00 am, 11:30 am

### **PLEASE KEEP THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Rosemarie Chapeski, Guiditta (Judy) Carolli, Alicia Mathlin, Alan Crimi, Mary-Anne Grobin, Kenneth Field, Eric Seidel, Julie Jones, Vida Lahajnar, Maria Martins, Emily Wright, Paula Tarantino, Robert Walford, Crystal Pinero, Lauren McDermott, Bonnie Brady, Anne-Marie Mullen, Tom Voisey, Deirdre MacLeod.

*Please call the parish office to add or remove a name on the list. Thank you!*

### **VOCATIONS**

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.** [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

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

*God's Blessings on our Homebound Parishioners.*

We post Mass each weekend to our YouTube channel.

December 15, 2024

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he has sent me to bring good news to the poor.” (Luke 4.18 [Isaiah 61.1])

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9WJE6kleV-eY7-8j-Qbag>

### **The Sr. Johanna Memorial Angel Tree**

Our special tree will be up next weekend and will be adorned with angels, each representing those less fortunate with a wish for Christmas. We will be supporting the St. Francis table and the Good Shepherd Ministries. You are invited to select an angel from the tree beginning next weekend and purchase gift cards. Please leave your gift in the wooden boxes by the side doors or bring it to the parish office. Please remember Sr. Johanna, as she began this gift of giving and continues to be our inspiration for this tree.

Thank you!

**Advent Bible Study:** In preparation for Christmas, Fr. Frank Carpinelli will be presenting three talks on the infancy narratives in St. Luke's Gospel. These presentations will take place on Wednesday, December 4, 11 and 18, beginning with Mass at 7:00 p.m. It is suggested to those attending to read and reread chapters 1 and 2 of the Gospel of Luke, in order to refresh your memories of those passages about Jesus' birth.

**Youth Volunteer:** Calling all young people! If you feel a call to build your relationship with the Lord while leading others closer to Christ – come and volunteer! If there is anyone who is in high school or is a young adult who would like to volunteer with our Youth Ministry this year, please contact our office or Youth Minister, Joanna.

**Spiritus Ministry:** Spiritus Ministry is a regional Young Adult Ministry serving those ages 19-39 in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Spiritus Ministry hosts monthly ministry nights centered on prayer, theology, social issues, fellowship, and catechesis. Our young adult ministry also has a focus on community building including social activities and outreach initiatives. We are currently in 6 regions of the Archdiocese: Central (Downtown Toronto, Midtown, North York), Durham (Ajax, Oshawa, Pickering, Whitby), East (Scarborough, East York), North (Alliston, Barrie, Bradford, Newmarket), West (Brampton, Etobicoke, Mississauga), and York (Markham, Richmond Hill, Stouffville, Vaughan). Please email [youth@archtoronto.org](mailto:youth@archtoronto.org) to find out more about Spiritus Ministry and other young adult initiatives.

Follow up on Instagram to stay up to date -  
@spiritusministry

[\(https://www.instagram.com/spiritusministry/\)](https://www.instagram.com/spiritusministry/)

### **CATECHISM 2024/2025**

Joanna Manturowicz is our Youth Minister/Sacramental Preparation Coordinator  
[jmanturowicz@archtoronto.org](mailto:jmanturowicz@archtoronto.org)

**Communion Classes** –Tuesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – ~~Dec. 10~~, Jan. 7 & 21, Feb. 4 & 18, March 4 & 25, April 8 & 22, May 6 & 20, 2025

**First Reconciliation Date:** Saturday, May 31, 2025 at 10:00 am

**First Communion Ceremony Date:** Sunday, June 1, 2025 at 2:30 pm

**Confirmation Classes** –Wednesdays 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – ~~Dec. 11~~, Jan. 8 & 22, Feb. 5 & 19, Mar. 5 & 26, Apr. 9 & 23, May 7 & 21

**Retreat Date** – Saturday June 7, 2025 at 11:00 am – 5:30 pm (Mass at 4:30 pm)

**Confirmation Ceremony Date:** Sunday, June 8, 2025 at 2:30 pm

**Catechism Registration has already taken place. Please come to the parish office to register your child. Only a parent can register their child.** We ask that you fill out the registration form, attach a copy of the Baptism certificate (even if they were baptized at Blessed Sacrament). Administrative Fee: \$150 paid by cash or cheque.

### **BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL**

#### **2025 SACRAMENT DATES**

**First Reconciliation:** Thursday May 22, 9:45 AM.

**First Communion:** Sunday May 25, 2:30 PM.

**Confirmation Retreat:** Wednesday May 21, 2:30PM

**Confirmation:** Thursday May 29 7:00 PM

If you are attending Blessed Sacrament Catholic School and would like to register for the Sacraments, please call the school at 416-393-5226.


#### **Parish Office Holiday Hours**

Monday, December 23: 8am to 4pm (Open)  
Tuesday, December 24: 8am to 12pm (Open)  
Wednesday, December 25: Closed  
Thursday, December 26: Closed  
Monday, December 30: 8am to 4pm (Open)  
Tuesday, December 31: 8am to 12pm (Open)  
Wednesday, January 1: Closed  
Thursday, January 2: 8am to 4pm (Open)





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