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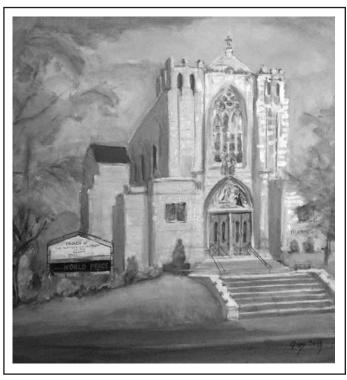
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Parish established in 1926, Church erected 1929 Original painting by Gary Smith

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 of the month - Adoration and

Benediction following 8:30 Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 - 4:00 pm

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

Friday - Closed

The Loretto room is open before and after weekend Masses - for Mass cards and religious items.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

All parishioners are encouraged to register in our community. Registration forms are available at the parish office or in the Loretto Room on the weekends. Visit our website or call the office.

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Larry Marcille - Pastor Fr. Cyril Balaba - Priest in residence Deacon Bill Nalepka Georgina Abrego - Lay Pastoral Associate

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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

Eight weeks notice is required. Contact the parish office to register your child.

Baptisms are on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office, 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

Director of Music - Peter Mahon Organist - Surinder Mundra 10:00 am Choir - Charlie Min Baptisms - Georgina Abrego

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

Weekday Lectors Weekend Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers Ministers of Hospitality

Knitting Group Sacristans

Altar Servers St. Vincent de Paul Edge Youth Group Children's Liturgy

Young Adult Youth Group:

Outreach Programs (Out of the Cold, Good Shepherd) Knights of Columbus (1388 Council)

MUSIC FOR CHOIR AND CANTOR MASSES

Numbers refer to blue WAA hymnal unless otherwise indicated. **Opening Hymn: 2** Awake, Awake, Fling off the

Night

Mass Propers: 505A, 508, 567, 570, 513 **Psalm 146 Response:** Lord, come and save us

Alleluia 809

Offertory Hymn: 18, People Look East Choir Mass: Wood, O Thou The Central Orb Communion Hymn: 17, T hy Kingdom Come on

Bended Knee

Choir Mass: Mundra, Dicit Pusillanimes
Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong,
fear not, behold, our God will come and save us.
Closing Hymn: 15, O Come Divine Messiah

10:00 am Music Ministry

Opening: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel CBW

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Psalm 146

Offertory: God of Day and God of Darkness

CBW 477

Communion: Way Maker BOL 161 **Closing:** Living Hope BOL 103

PLEASE KEEP THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rose Marie Chapeski. Guiditta Carolli, Mary-Anne Grobin, Kenneth Field, Eric Seidel, Maria Martins, Emily Wright, Paula Tarantino, Robert Walford, Crystal Pinero, Deirdre MacLeod, Sister Mary, Lauren Diamambro, Franco Graça, Madalena Martins, Juliana D'Silva.

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

Vocations: "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or Deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

vocations@archtoronto.org

e-bulletin: Keep in touch with us via email and text! If you would like to register for the e-bulletin, TEXT DIGITAL TO 514-900-0130, or connect with us online at: blessedto.flocknote.com/ebulletin.

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. https://www.youtube.com/@BlessedSacramentToronto

VIGIL LAMPS

St. Joseph Vigil Lamp	St. John Vigil Lamp
Simon Farress (INT)	James Farress (INT)

MASS INTENTIONS - December 15th to 21st

Mon. 15	8:30 am – Narcisa & Pablo Narciso (D)
Tues. 16	8:30 am – For the Souls in Purgatory (I)
Wed. 17	8:30 am – Olympia Tabaniag (D) Frank Kane (D)
Thurs. 18	8:30 am – Elaine Glossop (D) Rodney Crown (D)
Fri. 19	8:30 am – Jose Jimenez (D), Anne Marie Cichon (D), for Palestine, and Ukraine.
Sat. 20	4:30 pm – Francisco Buning (D)
Sun. 21	8:30 am – People of the Parish (I) 10:00 am – Michael Chiarotto (D) 11:30 am – The Opris Family (I)

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.

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. Joanna, as she began this gift of giving and continues to be our inspiration for this tree. Thank you!

2026 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes are now available and are located at the entrance of the church. If you cannot find your envelopes, or there are any problems, please contact the parish office.



<u>LEGACY 2026 -100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY</u> Blessed Sacrament Parish a Century of Faith!

- Join us Saturday, April 25, 2026
- Guild Inn Estate 201 Guildwood Parkway
- Tickets \$75 under 19 & \$175 adults
- It includes cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres
- 3 course Dinner with open bar
- Live Auction and Dancing
- Tickets available in the Loretto room after all weekend Masses or at the parish office
- ** A bus will be provided for those who need it departing from Blessed Sacrament Parish ~ Gratis
- Any questions, please call Mary at 416-994-4525 or email blessedsacrament82@gmail.com

First Communion and Confirmation 2025-2026 Registration for First Communion and Confirmation classes is closed.

Communion Classes: Tuesdays 6:00pm – 7:00pm Dec. 9, Jan. 6 & 20, Feb. 3 & 17, March 3 & 24

April 14 & 28, May 19, 2026

Sundays 11:00am – 12:00pm, Dec. 7, Jan. 11 & 25, Feb. 8 & 22, March 8 & 29, April 19, May 3 & 24, 2026

<u>First Reconciliation Date:</u> Saturday, June 13, 2026 at 10:00 am

<u>First Communion Ceremony Date:</u> Sunday, June 14, 2026 at 2:30 pm

<u>Confirmation Classes:</u> <u>Tuesdays 6:00pm-7:00pm</u> Dec. 17, Jan. 13 & 27, Feb. 10 & 24, Mar. 10, Apr. 7 & 21, May 5 & 26, 2026

Sundays 11am – 12:00pm, Dec. 14, Jan. 18, Feb. 1 & 15, March 1 & 15, April 12 & 26, May 10 & 31, 2026

Retreat Date: Saturday June 20, 2026 at 11:00 am

5:30 pm (Mass at 4:30 pm)
 Confirmation Ceremony Date:
 Sunday, June 21, 2026 at 2:30 pm

Blessed Sacrament School Sacrament Dates

First Reconciliation: Tuesday, April 28 at 9:45

a.m.

First Communion: Sunday, May 3 at 2:00 p.m. **Confirmation Retreat:** Thursday, April 16 all day **Confirmation:** Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. For registration please contact the school directly at 416-393-5226.

Thursday, December 18th Advent Day of Confessions:
Confession will be held at Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Advent Bible Study

In preparation for Christmas, Fr. Frank Carpinelli will be presenting three talks on the reflection of St. Matthew's and St. Luke's accounts of Jesus' birth. These presentations will take place on Wednesday, December 3, 10 and 17, beginning with Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by the bible study from 7:30 pm to 9:00 p.m. in the Loretto room. All are welcome!

Your gift to ShareLife will double in value!

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From now until the end of the year, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

ShareLife-funded agencies and Food Security Grant recipients are responding to families facing difficult situations, comforting seniors with fellowship, distributing meals to our neighbours in need, and so much more.

Your sacrificial gift, this Advent makes this support possible. You offer immediate relief, restore hope, and remind your brothers and sisters in Christ that they are not alone; that there is a family of faith who cares deeply for them.

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

<u>Children's Nativity Play:</u> We are looking for children up to the age of 10 years old interested in joining us for our Nativity play on Christmas Eve. Rehearsals are on Sunday, December 14th and Sunday, December 21st at 12:30 pm in the church hall. Please contact Georgina at gabrego@archtoronto.org

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Wednesday, December 24th

Children's Christmas play 3:30 pm

Children's Mass 4:00 pm

Masses: 6:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 12:00 am (Midnight) **Christmas Day – Thursday, December 25**th Masses: 8:30am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

Boxing Day – Friday, December 26th

Mass: 10:00 am

New Year's Eve - Wednesday, December 31st

Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1st

10:00 am, 11:30 am

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