# St. Joseph Parish

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**Pastor:** Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Nerie Bernal Custodian: Allan Cobham

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 9:30am to 12:00noon Wednesday & Friday: 9:00am to 3:00pm

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Altar Servers, Children's Liturgy Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers Fund Raising and Social Committee Girl Guides

Music Ministry: Megan Montifar, Gail and Maarten Bomers, Daniel Mehdizadeh & Eric Fahn

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 416-546-4044

St. Joseph Catholic School: Principal: Anne Marie Cassin

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#### **MASS TIMES:**

| Monday             | No Mass  |
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| Tuesday & Thursday | 9:00 am  |
| Wednesday & Friday | 7:00 pm  |
| Saturday Vigil     | 5:00 pm  |
| Sunday             | 10:00 am |

#### **CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS**

FOR SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION AND MARRIAGE please contact the parish to begin the process of preparation.

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday before the vigil Mass

## MINISTRY TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

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Growing in the love of God is mandatory if you want to please God. This also ensures that you enjoy all that He has (Romans 8:28), including being with Him where He is. Also, when you develop the love of Christ in you, serving God will no more be a struggle for you, rather you will do it with delight. Furthermore, sin will not overcome you anymore, and walking in love will be a normal way of life for you. So, how do you build up your love level?

How to grow in God's love:

- 1. Through Eucharist: :This is the starting point for the love of God. God showers His love into your heart by His Spirit (Romans 5:5). And a seed of the love of Christ is planted in you, which enables you to live for Christ. Therefore, when you receive Christ in the holy communion, love dwells in you.
- 2. Word: The word of God is a powerful tool for growing in the love of the Lord, the more of God's words you put into your heart the more the love of God grows in you.
- 3. Prayer: In prayer, you commune and fellowship with God, who is love. The longer you stay with God in prayer the more you drench yourself in His love. So, as you soak yourself with His love and someone or something touches you, the love of the Lord only will come out. This is why a lover of God overcomes challenges. That is, challenges only squeeze the love of God out of the person, and love never fails (1 Corinthians 13:8).

Conclusion: God makes sure that there are enough evidences of His special love for us to make us appreciate His goodness in a way in which no one else but we can, because no one else had the experience. Consequently, we grow in the love of God affectively as we experience His undeserved love for us. And the more undeserving we sense ourselves to be, the more we can grow in the love of God; we have to be very humble.

The more humble we are the more we shall appreciate whatever He does because we know how "nothing" we deserve it.

The experience of undeserved love of God for us is the surest way of growing in our own love for Him.

God Bless.

#### You're all invited:

#### **Installation Ceremony:**

Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC will be installed as the Pastor of St. Joseph's Church, 162 Leslieville St., Toronto on October 11, 2020 during the 10:00 am mass.

Bishop Robert Kasun will be present for this auspicious celebration. Let us, as a parish community be present for this blessed celebration and pray for Fr. Roshan D'Souza, our new pastor.

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#### To pray in a crisis: COVID-19

In light of the present situation unfolding before us regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19) worldwide, our primary concern is the spiritual and physical health and welfare of the faithful and of all those who serve at our parishes, recognizing that we also have a duty to care for the community at large and the most vulnerable among us. While challenging days remain, we must also recognize the opportunity to be truly present to one another and to care for those who are struggling.

These moments of uncertainty call each one of us to renew and amplify our Christian commitment to prayer, reflection and helping others. May we continue to pray for all those infected with COVID-19, those caring for the sick and for one another.

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National Catholic Health Care Week October 4-10, 2020
To celebrate the second annual National Catholic Health
Care Week across Canada, we give thanks for the
courageous gift of Catholic health care during these
challenging times. Holding all those impacted by
COVID-19 in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of
Catholic health care and we offer our prayers, support,
and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health
organizations who care for all in need with compassion
and courage. For more information, please visit the
Catholic Health Alliance of Canada at www.chac.ca.

#### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Sacraments:

First Communion:

October 10, 2020 at 10:30 am

#### The Week Ahead:

Oct. 04: Respect Life Sunday . World Communion Sunday

Oct. 05: Memorial: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

Oct. 06: Memorial: Saint Bruno,

Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

Oct . 07: Memorial: Our Lady of the Rosary

Oct. 09: Memorial: St. Denis, Bishop, Companions Martyrs;

St. John Leonardi



#### **SUNDAY COLLECTION:**

September 26-27, 2020, Total Amount: \$724.65

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### Children's Liturgy



of the Word

#### **PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**

There will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word Program at the 10:00 am mass due to Pandemic.





# MASS INTENTIONS +

Sunday, October 04

10:00 am Healing Intentions for Veronica

Schmidt

In honor of the Guardian Angels

Req. Alfredo Costa

Monday, October 05

9:00 am No Mass

Tuesday, October 06

9:00 am † Michael James Borja

Req. Family

In Honor of St. Joseph & Bro. Andrei

For all the Souls of the family

Req. Alfredo Costa

Wednesday, October 07

7:00 pm **Thanksgiving Mass** 

Req. Angeles Paez - Blanco

In Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual

Help

Thursday, October 08

9:00 am † Gloria & Joseph Barbosa

Req. Maria Carmo Oliviera

In Honor of Our Lady Of Fatima

Req. Alfredo Costa

Friday, October 09

7:00 pm Birthday Intentions for Maria

Aldina, Eldeberto and

**Family Intentions** 

Req. Maria Carmo Oliviera

Saturday, October 10

5:00 pm † Rev. Mel Minnocks, OSF

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