St. Joseph Parish

Established in 1878 Served by the Holy Cross Fathers



Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC **Pastor:** 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 Phone: 416-393-5209

The Knights of Columbus: www.kofc9079.com

MASS TIMES:

Monday	No Mass
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:

Please advise us if you have someone ill at home, hospital or in a nursing home so that we can minister to them.

Hall Rental: Please contact Margaret MacDonald at 416-463-8638

Tel: 416-466-7815 or 416-518-0276 Fax: 416-619-4477

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF CHRIST -YEAR B: MARCH 28, 2021

HOLY WEEK



Holy Week is most definitely a very sacred time of the year, for it is now that we will commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on this earth. These are the days leading up to the great Easter Feast. The Lenten season of sacrifice and self-denial is about to come to an end, but this coming week is extremely important for all Christians. The greatest focus of the week is the Passion (suffering) and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the events that led up to it.

Historical documents tell us that as early as the fourth century the Church celebrated this "Great Week" with a feeling of profound sanctity. It begins with Palm Sunday, which marks Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The central feature of the service proper to this day, as it was in the earliest times, is the procession of palms. The palms are blessed and are then borne in procession to the church, where an entry is made with a certain amount of ceremony, after which the Mass is celebrated.

Easter Triduum. This is the three days just before Easter. On Holy Thursday, we re-enact the Lord's Last Supper, which Jesus shared with His apostles on the night He was betrayed and arrested. This is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the entire liturgical year. Also on this night, priests all over the world will renew their sacred vows. This is because, at the Last Supper, Jesus not only instituted the Mass (Eucharist) but also the ministerial priesthood.

On Good Friday, the day of the crucifixion and death of our Lord, we have the veneration of the Cross. A service is held at three o'clock in the afternoon (the hour He is believed to have died) and another later in the evening. We go forward and kiss the Cross in order to show honor and respect for Christ's sacrifice for our sake. There is no consecration of the Eucharist on this day, and the Communion we receive will be from the night before, which has been reserved in the tabernacle.

Holy Saturday is a vigil. We keep watch for the expectant rising of Our Savior. This was the day He went down into the netherworld in order to bring back up with Him into heaven those who had died before His coming. Up to this time, the gates to heaven were closed and no one could go there because of the original sin of Adam. Jesus changed all that by paying the price for our sins on the Cross, He gained for us our eternal salvation, and heaven was opened once more. Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings. Amen.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH, TORONTO

Palm Sunday: at 10.00 am.

Procession with palms and Passion reading during weekend Masses.

Sacrament of Reconciliation : (Confessions) : Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9.30 am to 10.30 am.

Tuesday & Wednesday usual daily Masses.

Maundy Thursday: Celebration of Lord's

Supper at 7:00 pm followed by Adoration until midnight.

Note: there will be no morning mass on Maundy Thursday

Good Friday: Stations of the Cross at 2:00 pm.

Good Friday service at 3:00 pm.

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm.

Easter Sunday: Mass at 10:00 am.



REMEMBERING

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,

THROUGH A BEQUEST

Having a properly made will is one of the best gifts anyone can leave their loved ones in the event of their passing. It also ensures that charities and causes closest to their hearts will be sustained. By putting the parish in their will, parishioners can help the Church faithfully carry out the pastoral mission entrusted to her by our Lord, for generations to come.

For more information, please call the Parish office of **St. Joseph Church : 416 466 7815 or 416 518 0276**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

St. Joseph Parish Finance Council:

Parish Finance Council assists the pastor in the administration of parish temporal matters. In active, well-formed Parish Finance Council is a key element for promoting the financial health of a parish, assuring accountability and assisting the pastor with his temporal responsibilities. If you wish to be part of Parish Finance Council, Kindly submit your name to the parish office.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration on of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday of the month at 6:30 pm followed by the Eucharistic celebration.

Holy Communion & Anointing of the sick & homebound:

If you wish to have communion brought to you, please contact the parish office.

WEEKEND COLLECTION:

March 20-21, 2021

Total Amount: \$ 1445.00

Since all our fundraising events can't be held due to pandemic,



kindly increase your donations towards our Building Fund. Kindly contribute through Pre Authorize Giving. Forms are available in the foyer.

Thank you for your support and generous contribution.



PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

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



Laughter is the Best Medicine

Laughter relaxes the whole body. Laughter boosts the immune system.

Laughter triggers the release of endorphins. Laughter protects the heart. Laughter burns calories. Laughter lightens anger's heavy load. Laughter may even help you to live longer.

† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 28

10:00 am **† Fr. Emmanuel Cedes**

Req. Alfredo Costa

Monday, March 29

9:00 am **No mass**

Tuesday, March 30

9:00 am *† Regis Deveau*

Req. Toni Muise

Wednesday March 31

7:00 pm For the Special Intentions of

Anthony Roberts

Req. Ron & Marilyn Roberts

Thursday, April 01

7:00 pm For the Intentions of

St. Joseph Parish

Community

Friday, April 02

2:00 pm No Mass

Saturday, April 04

7:00 pm Easter Vigil

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