

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
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

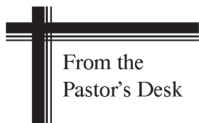
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From the
Pastor's Desk

RADIATING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

The Lord refers to Himself as our light.
“ I am the light of the world. “

As light He is our guide, enabling us to see the truth of God in a dark world. But light is more than an image of Christ as our guide; it is in some way who Christ is in Himself.

Towards the end of the Lord Jesus’ earthly ministry He said, “As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world” (John 9:5). This gives us the context of what He had told His hearers, “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven” (Matthew 5:14-16). After His ascension it would be the disciples whose good works would draw those around them to glorify God. While Christ is the Light in the truest sense, those who are in Christ shine with a kind of reflected light due to their union with Him.

We reflect the light of Christ when we too manifest God and His love for mankind through the way we live. The icon is a familiar pointer to this truth for us. An icon glows with a reflected light when a lamp or candle is lit before it. The lamp is the source of the light, but it is the icon which attracts us. Similarly people will be attracted to the divine Light when they see it reflected in the lives of believers. Perhaps the most important way of reflecting the light of Christ is by being present to those who are struggling with the darkness of confusion and despair. There words are not necessary – and perhaps even counterproductive. Simply by being present to the fearful can we reflect the light of Christ who is the Lover of Mankind.

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. May God bless you always.

Fr. Roshan Loy D’Souza, CSC

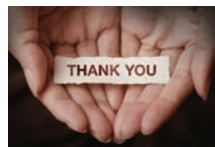
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: MAY 2 TO 7 . 2021

Catholic Education Week is a national celebration of Catholic education and an opportunity to recognize the importance, the value, and the contributions of a Catholic education to the Church and to the world. The theme for this year is “Nurturing Hope”. Please visit: www.tcdsb.org



**Archdiocesan Week of Prayer for Vocations
Monday, April 19, 2021 - Saturday, April 24, 2021**

For the week of April 19–24, let us all join, as a community, in prayer for vocations to the priesthood, religious or consecrated life. We also ask that you pray for our six soon-to-be priests, along with all who are discerning and who are currently in formation at St. Augustine’s Seminary. Thank you for your continued support as we work and pray together to the Lord of the Harvest to send labourers into His vineyard.



I would like to thank All our lectors, music ministry, decorating committee and volunteers, for your time and energy in bring meaning and beauty to our liturgical services during the Holy week celebrations. Imploring Risen Christ’s bountiful blessings upon you and your families.—Fr. Roshan D’Souza.



**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:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on 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.

St. Joseph Parish ministries: Altar Servers, Children's Liturgy, Collection Counters, Communion to the Sick, Eucharistic Ministries, Finance Council, Fundraising Committee, Girl Guides, Hospitality, Knights of Columbus, Lectors, Liturgical Planners, Music Ministry, Parish Council, Prayer Group, Refugee Sponsor, Sacristans, Seniors Group, Social Justice, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Youth Group, Ushers/Usherettes .

If you wish to be part of any of these, please call the parish office.



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

April 10-11, 2021

Total Amount: \$ 978.00

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 constant support and generous contribution. A special thanks to our volunteers for your dedication during these unprecedented times.



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, April 18

10:00 am † Manuel Costa

Req. Alfredo Costa

Monday, April 19

9:00 am **No mass**

Tuesday, April 20

9:00 am **Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life**

Req. Marilene Casballido

Thanksgiving Intentions

Req. Virgie Sison

Wednesday April 21

7:00 pm **For the Intentions of Ria Hoffbauer**

Req. Hoffbauer Family

Thursday, April 23

9:00 am † Manuel Villarinho

Req. Lourdes Villarinho

Friday, April 24

7:00 pm **For the Intentions of Jade Roberts**

Req. Ron & Marilyn Roberts

Saturday, April 25

7:00 pm **For the Intentions of**

St. Joseph Parish Community

PRAYER CARDS IN HONOUR OF ST. JOSEPH

In honour of the Year of St. Joseph, we are offering prayer cards that can be returned to the Church with your special intention(s) stated on the back. All intentions will be prayed over at every Mass until December 8th of this year. Prayer cards can be picked up at the Church before or after daily Mass or by contacting the Parish office: (416) 466-7815.

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