

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



This Too Shall Pass

Beyond its more immediately obvious effects – on human lives, economies,

and societal and cultural norms – COVID-19 is beginning to reveal itself as a crisis of the mind.

With an estimated 2.6 billion people currently living under lockdown, the World Economic Forum has termed the COVID-19 pandemic “the world’s biggest psychological experiment”, and we’re already getting a good idea of the results.

This is such a strange time. People socially-distanced by the quarantine; the temporary economic collapse; sickness and the corresponding deaths escalating; inadequate equipment, supplies, and PPE; health care professionals working to exhaustion; and many separated from their loved ones.

As we endure through COVID-19, you’ve likely heard some optimistic soul share this encouraging word of reassurance: “This too shall pass.” Typically, the one speaking will cop a humble, pious expression, while also hoping we’ll acknowledge their positivity, vision and application of scripture. Their counsel is good, and genuinely is a perspective we all need to consider. Some day this pandemic will be over. Let us be firm in our faith and pray persistently.

COVID 19 UPDATES:

On April 16, 2021, the provincial government announced further restrictions in an attempt to minimize the transmission of COVID -19, given the alarming increase in new cases over the past 10 days. The new measures have a direct impact on places of worship as part of an extended stay-at-home order, which will be in place until at least May 20, 2021.

Due to these measures, Public Masses are temporarily cancelled.

But church will remain open for PRIVATE PRAYERS only.

Schedule: Monday to Friday: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.

Saturday Closed. Sunday: 9.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. (Communion Service at 10.00 a.m.)

Maximum of 10 people in the building at a time.

Kindly call the Parish Office to make an appointment for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Weddings, Funerals, and Baptisms are restricted to 10 persons, including those who are involved in ministry (priest, cantor, etc.).

BE SAFE & STAY HEALTHY. GOD BLESS YOU

CANADA HEALTH DAY: On MAY 12th Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God’s creatures, and the nurturing of the whole earth. – excerpted from the 2020-2021 Ordo.



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**

The Week Ahead :

April 25 : World Day of Prayer for Vocations

April 28: Memorial: St. Peter Channel, Priest & Martyrs

St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest

April 29: Memorial: St. Catherine of Sienna, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

April 30: Memorial: St. Pius V, Pope

May 01: Memorial: St. Joseph the Worker

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 17-18, 2021

Total Amount: \$ 626.00

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 25

10:00 am *Thanksgiving* In Honor of St. Andre

Req. Alfredo Costa

† **Dionisio Vasquez**

Req. Virgie Sison

Monday, April 26

9:00 am *No mass*

Tuesday, April 27

9:00 am *Healing Intentions for Marilyn Roberts*

Req. Ron Roberts

Wednesday April 28

7:00 pm *Healing Intentions Ron Roberts*

Req. Marilyn Roberts

Thursday, April 29

9:00 am † For the souls in Purgatory esp. deceased members of Foss Family

Req. Foss Family

Friday, April 30

7:00 pm † *Jeffrey Tan*

† **Johnwell Salvador**

Req. Jocelyn Salvador Tan

Saturday, May 01

5:00 pm For the Intentions of

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