

# 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](http://www.kofc9079.com)

## MASS TIMES:

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| 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*



**All of life is a GIFT**

So many of us have desires for our lives that begin: "I deserve" or "I must have." We want what everyone else has. We ask God for very specific things. We want life to be somewhat fair. Of course, it's very human of us to feel this way. But if we don't get what we want and a season of life turns out quite unkind, we so easily grow angry and bitter.

Taking God's good gifts granted leads to misery. As soon as we forget to give thanks and praise God for his gifts, we take them granted. When we don't remember we are not entitled to luxuries and niceties in life, we blame God for our hardships. That's why it is important to seize every day and remember that life is a gift from God. Counting blessings is an effective way to keep us from taking life and other gifts of God granted. And that enables us to truly enjoy every breath we take.

There is nothing that you or I have that we ultimately own. All of the best earthly gifts will one day pass away. And furthermore, if we say we're followers of Christ, our very lives are not our own. We've surrendered them to a calling that is beyond what we see right in front of us.

For all of life is a gift or as St. James 1:17 says, "Every good and perfect gift is from above." Trusting that all of life is a gift, changes our prayers, our daily plans, and our responses to our worst-case-scenario realities. For we can accept what we have (and don't have) with gratitude. For we can accept what we have without demanding that it remains in its current state forever. For we can accept what we have with enjoyment, not "it would only be a little bit better if ."

So today, if you find yourself in a place of life where you could say, "This is not the life I want," remember all of life is a gift. Gifts, you see, are meant for our happiness, our edification, and our thanksgiving for what they are. And then are to be humbly given up when the time comes to pass them along to someone else.

Let our prayer be; Gracious God, Thank you for the gift of life.  
Help us to appreciate every breath we take.  
Do not let us take your gifts granted.  
Help us to see your handiwork in our lives.  
We thank you and praise you forever and ever. Amen.

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



**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 :**

- Sept 08: Memorial: Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sept 09: Memorial: St. Peter Claver, Priest
- Sept 13: Memorial: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Sept 14: Exaltation of the Cross
- Sept 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

**St. Joseph, Pray For Us**



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**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September, 2021**  
**An environmentally sustainable lifestyle:**

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

**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.

**Parish New Website:** <https://stjosephsto@archtoronto.org/>

**Parish New Email ID:** [stjosephsto@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjosephsto@archtoronto.org)

**Pastor:** [RLDSouza@archtoronto.org](mailto:RLDSouza@archtoronto.org)

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**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,



**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**

**August 28-29, 2021**

**Total Amount: \$ 899.75**

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.

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



**SAINT JOSEPH**

Protect my family and me as you did the Holy Family. Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever strong in imitation of the virtue of our Blessed Lady, and always faithful in devotion to you.

**AMEN**

**✝ MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, September 05**

10:00 am **Family Intentions, Relatives**

**& Friends**

Req. Connie Saavedra

**Healing Intentions of Ann Janalaine Galang**

**† † Jeffrey Tan & Jose Salvador**

Req. Jocelyn Tan

**Monday, September 06**

**No mass**

**Tuesday, September 07**

9:00 am **† † Angelina & Manuel Buenavides &**

**All The Souls in Purgatory**

Req. Maria Carmo Oliviera

**Wednesday September 08**

7:00 pm **† For the Unborn**

Req. Marilyn Roberts & Toni Muise

**Thanksgiving in Honor of Immaculate Heart of Mary**

Req. Donor

**† Domingo Ramos**

Req. Ramos Family

**Thursday, September 09**

9:00 am **Healing Intentions for Ben Muise**

Req. Toni Muise

**Thanksgiving for the gift of life**

Req. Elnora Pascua

**Friday, September 10**

7:00 pm **For the Intentions upon Marten Mueller**

Req. Donor

**Saturday, September 11**

5:00 pm **For the Intentions of St. Joseph Parish Community**

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