

# St. Joseph Parish

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## UNITY IN DIVERSITY

"Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We *Journey with St. Joseph*"

**Pastor:** Fr. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.  
**Secretary & Finance:** Erma Relunia  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**MASS TIMES:**  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am  
Wednesday & Friday 7:00 pm  
Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 9:30am to 12:30pm  
Wednesday: 5:00pm - 7:00pm & Office is closed on Fridays.

## CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

**Music Ministry:**  
Megan Montifar, Daniel Mehdizadeh and Eric Fahn

**Sacrament of Baptism:**  
Celebrated on Sundays at 2:30pm or during Sunday Mass.  
Please contact the office for more details.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday before the vigil mass or on request anytime.

## PARISH MINISTRIES

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

*\* If you feel called to serve the church through any of these ministries, please call the parish office.\**

**Sacrament of Marriage:**  
Please contact the office for more information.

**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.

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

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On the **Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time** Mark's Gospel brings us the story of Jesus driving out unclean spirits from a man in the synagogue. The people are impressed because he taught with authority in ways the scribes did not and they marveled that even the unclean spirits obey him.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest**. Friday is the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**.

The story of David we have been following for the past two weeks will end with his death as we conclude the readings from the **Book of Samuel**. As the narrative moves to the **Book of Kings**, David's son Solomon, has succeeded him on the throne and for the next week, the tale of notable leaders of Israel's history continues to unfold.

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, Jesus continues to heal and teach. A man in the Gerasenes is healed of unclean spirits and wants to stay with Jesus, but Jesus tells the man, "Go home to your family and announce to them all that the Lord in his pity has done for you." The young daughter of a synagogue official is sick and on the way to heal her, as Jesus stood in a crowd, he felt the power go out of him as a woman with a hemorrhage touched his cloak. "Your faith has saved you," he reassures her. To the father he says, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" and heals the daughter. He teaches in the synagogue in his hometown "and they took offense at him." He was not able to perform miracles there, because of their lack of faith. Jesus sends his disciples out to preach and heal, telling them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick. Though the demons know who Jesus is, Herod thinks he is John the Baptist, whom Herod had beheaded. Jesus encourages his busy disciples, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." But as they tried to get away "and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."

The **Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time** has readings that deal with suffering and weakness. In **Mark's Gospel**, we see Jesus go to Simon Peter's house to heal Peter's mother-in-law. Crowds of people gather for healing outside the house. In the morning, Jesus slips away to pray, only to be searched out by Peter. Jesus says, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."

Source: Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's *Online Ministries* web site: <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html> Used with permission.

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## **12 New Year's resolutions for 12 months, from Pope Francis A guide for making the most out of 2018.**

Build bridges, not walls  
Let yourself be moved by suffering ... and then do something  
Don't be afraid to be ashamed of yourself and recognize when you've done wrong  
Dream of love  
Avoid attachment to riches  
Pray daily for your health and that of your loved ones  
Be strong in faith so as to overcome division  
Work hard for your dignity and that of your family  
Don't let yourself be robbed of hope  
Remember that God never abandons us  
Find happiness by creating harmony  
Know that you are loved, so that you can give love and forgiveness

**Resolution for January.... Build bridges, not walls....** Every Christian always builds bridges of dialogue with others, not walls of resentment. A Christian should always seek the path of listening, the path of reconciliation, with humility and meekness, because that's what the Son of God has taught us.

**World Day for Consecrated Life  
Celebrated today (January 28) at  
St. Paul's Basilica.**

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick today at **3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica**, 83 Power St., Toronto to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

**Celebration of Marriage Mass with  
Cardinal Collins –  
February 11, 2018 - 3 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at **3 p.m. on Sunday, February 11 at Blessed Trinity Parish** (3220 Bayview Ave - North York). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend - couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

**Ecumenical Prayer Service**

Join us today (January 28) in an ecumenical prayer service led by Cardinal Thomas Collins (homilist), Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Coptic Orthodox Bishop Anba Mina, and other religious leaders at **3 p.m. at Metropolitan United Church, 56 Queen St. East** (at Queen and Bond St.). Parking is available. Refreshments to follow. For more information, please contact the Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at (416) 934-3400, ext. 344 or ext. 527 or [vkwok@archtoronto.org](mailto:vkwok@archtoronto.org).

WELCOME BACK FATHER  
FRANCIS

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, January 28**

10:00am *Community of St. Joseph Parish*

**Monday, January 29**

9:00am † *Manuel Costa*

Req. Alfredo Costa

**Tuesday, January 30**

9:00am *Weekday*

**Wednesday, January 31**

7:00pm *In honour of St. John Bosco*

**Thursday, February 1**

9:00am *In honour of St. Joseph*

Req. Alfredo Costa

**Friday, February 2**

7:00pm *The Presentation of the Lord*

**Saturday, February 3**

5:00pm † *Nicola Tarasca*

Req. Angelina Tarasca

**NEW MEMBERS NEEDED...**

Parish is seeking new members to join the parish council, St. Vincent de Paul Society and Fund-Raising Committee. If you think that you are interested and willing to serve in these ministries of our parish, please contact Fr. Francis.

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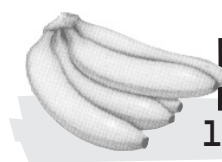
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