St. Joseph Parish

Established in 1878



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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 9:30am to 12:30pm 5:00pm to 7:00pm Wednesday:

Office is closed on Fridays

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MASS TIMES:

Monday, 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

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Tel: 416-466-7815 **or** 647-967-5712 Email: stjosephparishtoronto@gmail.com Fax: 416-619-4477 Website: https://stjosephsto.archtoronto.org This "eager longing", this expectation of all creation, will be fulfilled in the revelation of the children of God. that is, when Christians and all people enter decisively into the "travail" that conversion entails. All creation is called, with us, to go forth "from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God" (Rom 8:21). Lent is a sacramental sign of this conversion. It invites Christians to embody the paschal mystery more deeply and concretely in their personal, family and social lives, above all by fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Fasting, that is, learning to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to "devour" everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts. Prayer, which teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy. Almsgiving, whereby we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us. And thus to rediscover the joy of God's plan for creation and for each of us, which is to love him, our brothers and sisters, and the entire world, and to find in this love our true happiness.

— to be continued

Coming Events

Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm.

Potluck Lunch - Sunday. April 7, 2019, at 11:15 a.m.

Holy Thursday soup Supper

April18: 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Portuguese Dinner -

Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 6:15 p.m.

Easter Basket -

April 14 after the 10AM Mass

OFFERTORY

Sunday, March 24

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Wednesday, April 3: 5PM to 7PM Thursday April 4: 8:30AM to 10:00AM (Portuguese)

School Reconciliation: Monday April

8: 9:30AM to 12noon

EASTER BASKET: Tickets will cost \$2.00 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00. The draw for the Basket will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2019, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All proceeds will be applied to Parish Projects.

Seniors Group...Our first meeting will be held in the parish hall on Wednesday, April 10 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. We will begin our gathering with a potluck dinner. All are invited to bring something to share with others. All are welcome.



FISH & CHIPS

When:

Every FRIDAY NIGHT Until April 19th

Time:

5:00 pm—7:00pm

Where:

St Joseph Parish Hall

Price:

Single Fish and Chip@ \$8.00
Double Fish and Chip @ \$10.00
Child (under 10) \$5.00
The meal includes Tea, Coffee, Juice box for the child, Dessert
Take out available
50/50 Draw Tickets if you wish to buy

SHARELIFE... "It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they're invisible, but always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping. Today is ShareLife Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

Potluck Lunch...We will be having a Potluck Lunch in the Parish Hall **on Sunday, April 7, 2019**, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. The price of admission is your favourite home-made dish. Please plan to attend the Potluck Lunch and enjoy good food and fellowship with other parishioners.

MASS INTENTIONS +

Sunday, Mar 31

10:00am † Nancy Sousa Constantino

Req. Alfredo Costa

Monday, Apr 1

9:00am In honour of St Joseph

Req. Alfredo Costa

Tuesday, Apr 2

9:00am In honour of the Blessed

Sacrament

Req. Alfredo Costa

Wednesday, Apr 3

7:00pm For the Unborn

Req. Marilyn Roberts &

Toni Muise

Thursday, Apr 4

9:00am Weekday Lent

Friday, Apr 5

7:00pm **Heal**i

Healing & Conversion of

Maria

Req. Family

Saturday, Apr 6

5:00pm Healing & Conversion of

Maria

Req. Family

Holy Thursday soup dinner.... April 18 from 5:30PM to 7:30PM.

This year we will have soup dinner at the parish hall before we celebrate the Lord's supper. You are



invited to bring a soup to share with others.

From St. Benedict to Thomas More, Catholics have found that choosing plant-based meals helps us deepen our practice of simplicity. This is among the reasons why we abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.

Eating Simply

We now know that adding plant-based meals to our diets can also help preserve valuable land and communities. We invite you to expand your choice of plant-based meals to one additional day this Lent, or even abstain from meat throughout the season. It's a way to honor our Catholic tradition, love our neighbors, and fulfill our role as the stewards of our common home.

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