

# 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. Roshan Loy D’Souza, CSC  
**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Nerie Bernal  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
**Monday to Friday:** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Music Ministry:** Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

### PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Finance Council
Children’s Liturgy	Girl Guides
Collection Counters	
Communion to the Sick	<i>If you feel called to</i>
Lectors & Eucharistic	<i>serve the church</i>
Ministries	<i>through any of these</i>
Social Action Committee	<i>ministries, please call</i>
Parish Council	<i>the parish office.</i>

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** 416-546-4044  
**The Knights of Columbus:** [www.kofc9079.com](http://www.kofc9079.com)

**St. Joseph Catholic School:**  
**Principal:** Principal: David Comacchio  
**Phone:** 416-393-5209

### 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

#### Sacrament of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage:

Please contact the office to begin the process of preparation.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday before the vigil mass or on request anytime.

#### 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.

**New members please register at the office.**

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*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



### **Lent: A time of renewal**

As we enter another Lenten season on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022 it is helpful to place it in the broader context of the reality of Christ.

The 40 days of Lent are a preparation for the great liturgical celebration of the Triduum and the 50 days of Easter.

Lent is a time of renewal for our faith. Faith requires that we look beyond our world to the things of heaven and the great works of God. Faith requires that we set aside our own perception and ways of thinking and try to see our world and others through the eyes of God. Faith continually seeks God, and Lent allows us to rediscover this deep longing of our hearts.

As we make our way through Lent, we do so through the lens of resurrection, knowing that we already participate in the first fruits of Jesus' being the firstborn from the dead.

Jesus died to free us from our sins. This brings us to the critical point of our Lenten journey. It is helpful to recall the words of St. Peter on Pentecost: "You killed him" (Acts 2:23). Yes, historically, specific people crucified Jesus, but in his passion, Jesus took on the sins of the whole world — yours and mine included. This is what Scripture means when it says, "He made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him" (2 Corinthians 5:21).

Lent is a time to be mindful of the sins that still plague us and prevent us from living fully the righteousness that is already ours in the Risen Christ. Lent is a time for us to join ourselves ever more closely to Christ who suffered and died for us to conquer sin and death. It is a time to prayerfully ponder the mystery of the cross, and rediscover the life that is ours now in the Risen Christ. Lent is a time to give thanks for the great work of God, our salvation. The greatest prayer of thanks we have is the Eucharist that Christ established at the Last Supper. Every Eucharist remembers, proclaims and participates in the death and resurrection of the Lord.

May this Lent strengthen our faith in Christ and be a true preparation for the celebration of the death and resurrection of the Lord, so we may live in the world as the Body of the Christ, the Church.

**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 :**

Mar 02: Memorial: Ash Wednesday

Mar 03: Memorial: St. Katherine Drexel, Virgin

Mar 04: Memorial: St. Casimir

World Day of Prayer

Mar 07: Memorial: Sts. Perpetua & Felicity,  
Martyrs

Mar 08: Memorial: St. John of God, Religious

Mar 09: Memorial: St. Frances of Rome, Religious

**St. Joseph, Pray For Us**

#### **Day Retreat March 19, 2022 (9:00am-3:30pm)**

#### **at St. Augustine Seminary:**

Inviting single catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time to prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

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For more information, please contact (your parish priest) or the Office of Vocations via email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**2022 First Communion and Confirmation Registration:**

Grade 2 students wishing to receive their First Communion and Grade 7 students wishing to receive their Confirmation must be registered at St. Joseph Parish Office. Kindly note that you will need to provide a copy of your child's baptismal certificate with the registration.

**Welcome to the Ministry of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and Lector!**

If you are interested to be part of this sacred ministry, kindly enroll your names at the parish office.

**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February 2022:**



**For Religious Sisters & Consecrated Women**

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

**LENT**



**ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES:**

at: 9.00 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.

Every Friday: Stations of the Cross

at: 6.30.p.m. & Mass at 7.00 p.m.

The Three Pillars of Lent: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

**✝ MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, February 27**

10:00 am *Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life*

Req. Gabriel Bernal

*Thanksgiving Intention*

Req. Virgie Sison

† *Eduardo Del Rosario*

Req. Nimpha Del Rosario

**Monday, February 28**

*No mass*

**Tuesday, March 01**

09:00 am *For The Consecration of Russia*

Req. Donor

**Wednesday March 02**

9:00 am *For the Intentions of St. Joseph Parish Community*

7:00 pm *Blessing to Rai Hoffbauer*

Req. Donor

*For Fast Visa Approval of Mystica Joy Pintucan*

Req. Jemely Pambid

**Thursday, March 03**

9:00 am *For the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*

Req. Donor

† *Brian Hamer*

Req. Dorothy Hamer

**Friday, March 04**

10:00 pm † *Constancia Calero*

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

† *Daniela Sadoska*

Req. Luiza Sadoska

**Saturday, March 05**

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

**GOD LOVES A  
CHEERFUL  
GIVER**

**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**

**February 19-20, 2022**

**Total Amount: \$ 1,000.60**

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.

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