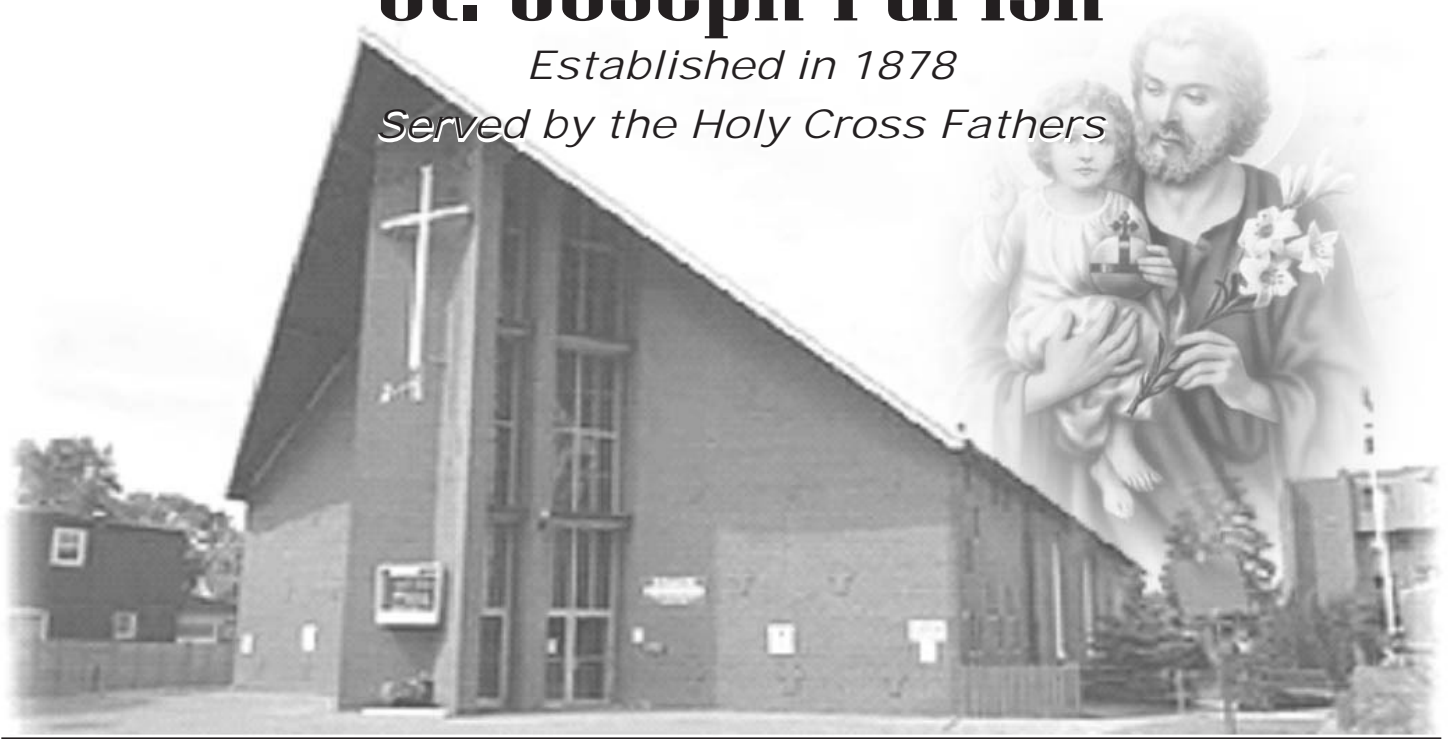


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**Pastor:** Fr. Roshan Loy D’Souza, CSC  
**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Nerie Bernal  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**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>
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Social Action Committee	<i>ministries, please call</i>
Parish Council	<i>the parish office.</i>

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

**Hall Rental:** Please contact **Margaret MacDonald** at 416-463-8638

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*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



**“Are we there yet?”**

This is a question we have probably heard, and probably asked, multiple times throughout our lives. It is a question that frequently comes up in a journey, whether by those hiking in the woods trying to find a campsite for the night, or the kids in the backseat wondering when they would finally arrive at Grandma’s house for a holiday gathering. And it is a question that we may be tempted to ask during the Advent season upon which we are embarking today.

This season of Advent, this beginning of the Church’s new liturgical year, is an opportunity for us to take the time to enjoy the journey. To proceed a little more slowly and intentionally towards Christmas – to notice what God is doing in our lives, and in the world around us, to help us be better prepared to welcome Jesus anew.

What are you walking toward? One of the beautiful things about our Catholic Faith is the way in which we experience time. One liturgical year has just closed, and another lies open before us on day two of Advent.

The difference between the secular and Catholic understandings of Advent can be profound. For the world, it is a time to seemingly celebrate Christmas in advance, run to the finish line of December 25th, and move on. For the Catholic person, we wait in joyful anticipation and inch closer and closer to this great celebration of Christ’s Nativity. Once we’re there, we take time to be enveloped by the mystery of God’s own Son coming to us in the fullness of time. Then we set off anew into the rest of our year: traveling through Judea, walking after the Cross, and eventually celebrating Jesus’ universal kingship again before the cycle repeats.

The Christian recognizes that this entire life is a pilgrimage to our heavenly home. We use the rhythm of the year to show us how to anticipate, prepare, and walk this journey. Let us take this Advent, like no other, to truly place ourselves in the mindset of the traveler. Let us walk the way to Bethlehem with our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph her spouse. As we travel, let us see that mountain of the Lord draw ever closer and feel rejoicing well up in our hearts to return to the House of the Lord.

Have a Blessed Advent Season.

**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 :**

- Dec 06: Memorial: St. Nicholas, Bishop
- Dec 07: Memorial: St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Dec 08: Memorial: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Dec 09: Memorial: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
- Dec 11: Memorial: St. Damasus, 1 Pope
- Dec 13: Memorial: St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

**St. Joseph, Pray For Us**

**Update on COVID-19 Policies in the Archdiocese of Toronto:**

The Archdiocese of Toronto is not asking for proof of vaccination to worship in our churches. **Although the Archdiocese of Toronto encourages all Catholics to be vaccinated for the common good**, we are making every effort to ensure that our churches remain open to all. The Worship safe protocols have kept our parishioners safe throughout the pandemic and will continue to do so as COVID-19 restrictions are gradually removed throughout the province.

**Pope Francis Prayer Intension for**

**December 2021: Catechists**



Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**



**YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**

December 08, 2020 to December 08, 2021

The Year of St. Joseph began with the apostolic letter of Pope Francis on Dec. 8, 2020, and ends on Dec. 8, 2021. It's almost hard to believe it's been a full year already, in light of all the other events going on throughout the world. We have certainly been in desperate need of a fatherly saint to emulate, and to intercede for the needs of our challenging times.

To celebrate the "Year of St. Joseph" in our parish, there will be nine days of Novena Prayers beginning from November 30, 2021 after the masses to Solemn Eucharistic Celebration on December 08, 2021 at 7.00 pm at St. Joseph Church. St. Joseph, Pray for us.

**Christmas Extravaganza:**

**1. Remembrance Christmas tree Balls. From November 27, 2021 at all weekend masses**



**2. Raffle & Christmas Bake sale: On December 19, 2021 after Sunday Mass.**



**3. Christmas Flower Donations:**



Envelopes are available in the foyer/pews.

**✝ MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, November 28**

10:00 am **†† Jose Canito & Antonia**

Req. Gloria Gomes & Maria Teves

**Monday, November 29**

No mass

**Tuesday, November 30**

09:00 am **Thanksgiving Intentions**

Req. Toni Muise

**Wednesday December 01**

7:00 pm **† For The Unborn**

Req. Toni Muise & Marilyn Roberts

**Thursday, December 02**

9:00 am **† Gloria De Medeiros**

Req. Gloria Gomes & Maria Teves

**Friday, December 03**

7:00 pm **† Manuel Garcia & Family Intentions**

Req. Gloria Gomes & Maria Teves

**Saturday, December 04**

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

**GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER**



**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**

Nov. 27-28, 2021

Total Amount: \$938.60

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.

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



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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OTHER FRIDAYS:

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