# St. Joseph Parish

Established in 1878 Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

## UNITY IN DIVERSITY

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

Pastor:Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSCSecretary/Bookkeeper:Nerie BernalCustodian:Allan Cobham

**OFFICE HOURS:** 

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Music Ministry:

Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

#### PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Children's Liturgy Collection Counters Communion to the Sick Lectors & Eucharistic Ministries Social Action Committee Parish Council Finance Council Girl Guides

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

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** 416-546-4044 **The Knights of Columbus:** www.kofc9079.com

#### St. Joseph Catholic School:

Principal:Principal: David ComacchioPhone:416-393-5209

### MASS TIMES:

MondayNo MassTuesday, & Thursday9:00 amWednesday & Friday7:00 pmSaturday Vigil5:00 pmSunday10:00 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

**Email:** stjosephparishtoronto@gmail.com / stjosephTO@archtoronto.org **Website:** www.stjosephTO@archtoronto.org

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT : MARCH 20, 2022





#### Respond, Not React

When the doctor taps your knee with the mallet to test your reflexes, your leg automatically swings, doesn't it? That's a reaction. It's an involuntary, uncontrolled action resulting from external stimuli of some

sort. When you answer an email or a text, editing it for errors and choosing your words carefully, that's a response. It's carefully thought through, controlled, and intentional. I want to talk about reacting versus responding because I think that many times we are in react mode when we should be in respond mode.

"A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." - Proverbs 15:1.

A reaction is an immediate retaliation from someone who is led by emotions. They react in anger when they feel insulted. They withdraw when they feel left out. They react with gossip when they feel mistreated. They react defensively when they feel criticized. A reaction is easy because it is a base behavior that operates without boundaries. A hasty reaction happens in the moment and many times leads to regret. The flesh reacts, but the Spirit leads us to respond.

A measured response, on the other hand delays its interaction until it processes in prayer. So when we receive an email that provokes our pride or hurts our feelings, we refrain from firing back an immediate defense. We remind ourselves that email is helpful for information, but a less effective communicator. Or a friend or family member makes a disrespectful remark about us at a social gathering. We wait and talk with them after several days, so we can respond with logic, not emotion. We discuss with them how to keep our relationship whole, not fractured.

Three ways to practice responsiveness: First, Train yourself to take a deep breath before speaking. Second, Write down your thoughts and walk away from them and Third, Repeat the phrase, "You might be right."

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen". (Ephesians 4:29).

HAVE A BLESSED LENT : Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC



#### **REMEMBERING ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH.** MAKING A CHARITABLE 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 23: Memorial: St. Turibius Magrovejo, Bishop

Mar 24: Memorial: St. Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr

Mar 25: Memorial: The Anunciation of the Lord

Apr 02: Memorial: St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

Apr 04: memorial: St. Isidore, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Apr 05: Memorial: St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

St. Joseph, Pray For Us



#### March 20, 2022: 3rd Sunday of Lent

The power of mobilized citizens Development One of Development and Peace's strengths is our ability to mobilize thousands of Canadians like you to

amplify marginalized voices from the Global South. Our partners want businesses to not be able to perpetrate abuses in their countries with impunity.

That is why our *People and Planet First* campaign is asking you to help ensure that Canada adopts strong due diligence laws to prevent Canadian corporations from abusing human and environmental rights across their global operations.

Prayer: We pray for those who defend human rights around the world, heeding the cry of the poor, often at great risk to their reputations, their security and their very lives, we pray to the Lord, Lord hear our prayer.

Sign our petition for this at devp.org/act and spread the word. Thank you for supporting our campaign!



St. Joseph Parish Reconciliation (Confession) Service: On April 06, 2022 (Wednesday) Time: 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm.

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.





EASTER BASKET: Tickets are available after the weekend masses.



In association with: Knights of Columbus, Fish and Chips dinner on: April 08 & 15 (Fridays) from 5.00 pm onwards.



ShareLife Offerings: (ShareLife Sunday)

Life 2022: March 27, May 1 & June 5, 2022

**Dates for the Sacraments of Reconciliation & Holy Communion:** April 23, 2022 (Saturday) at 10 a.m. First Reconciliation Service. April 30, 2022 (Saturday) at 10 a.m. First Holy Communion Mass



Pope Francis Prayer Intention for March 2022: A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges: We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

March 12-13, 2022

#### Total Amount: \$ 887.00

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.

# MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 20

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Req. Maria Luciano

† Belen Gabat Secoquian

Req. Imelda Abad

#### Monday, March 21

No mass

#### Tuesday, March 22

9:00 am Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life

Req. Jose Aragon

† Manuel Villarhino

In Honor of St. Joseph

Req. Maria Villarhino & Maria Jose

#### Wednesday March 23

7:00 pm *† Alfredo Costa* 

Req. Gomes Family & Maria Teves

#### Thursday, March 24

9:00 am + Alfredo Costa

Req. Gomes Family & Maria Teves

Healing Intention for Ellyn Cosmod

Req. Angie & Nicolas Blanco

#### Friday, March 25

7.00 pm *† Alfredo Costa* 

Req. Gomes Family & Maria Teves

#### Saturday, March 26

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





