

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

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the parish office.

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 10:00 am Sunday

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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The Cross Gives Us Hope and Joy And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character and character, hope. Romans 5:1-11

I've never met anyone who wanted to go through hardship and difficulty. I've never heard anyone say, "I can't wait till suffering comes my way." Or, "I'm loving this painful season. I wish I had more of this in my life." We're inclined to run away from pain and suffering rather than move toward it. But in Romans 5, St. Paul suggests a different and radical reaction to hardship and difficulty: hope and joy. He even has the audacity to say that we "glory in our suffering," some translations say "we rejoice in our suffering." That statement alone raises the questions, "Why?" and "How?" We live in a broken world. At some point, pain and suffering will crash into our lives. It's not a matter of if, but when. And when it does, we can be caught in the trap of believing, "There's no way out. This is it. This will be my reality forever." But in Romans 5, Paul tells us that hope in suffering is possible. It's a hope that is anchored in the cross.

The cross also reveals that Jesus can identify with our pain. In hardship, He knows what we are feeling because He has experienced it Himself. He knows what it's like to be betrayed by a close friend. He's experienced the shame of being accused of something He didn't do. He's endured physical pain that feels like it will never end. But just because Jesus can empathize with our suffering, doesn't mean all our pain will magically go away, nor will it lessen the grief and sorrow we're bound to experience. But it does help us see there's a bigger picture at work. While suffering can often knock us down and cause defeat, the cross and resurrection empower us to get back up and face another day. While pain and hardship, over time, can cause us to grow angry and bitter, focusing on Jesus and the victory He has secured can help us remain hopeful and full of joy. Nobody wants to suffer, but if we stay connected to Christ, He'll redeem our suffering in unexpected ways.

Take a moment and invite Jesus into your pain. Ask Him to help you see your circumstances through the lens of the cross and resurrection so that hope might be restored.

God Bless. 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:

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

Apr 05: Memorial: St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

Apr 07: Memorial: St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

Apr 10: Palm Sunday

Apr 14: Holy Thursday

Apr 15: Friday of the Passion of the Lord

(Good Friday)

Apr 16: Easter Vigil

St. Joseph, Pray For Us



Solidarity Sunday: The Fifth Sunday of Lent is a special time or Development and Peace — Caritas Canada, as parishes across Canada hold a collection in support of our mission of solidarity with the people of the Global South. That's why we call this day Solidarity Sunday.

By donating to Development and Peace, you are contributing to the work of our partners in the Global South, who are pursuing alternatives to unjust social, political and economic structures and supporting women in their search for social and economic justice.





St. Joseph Parish Reconciliation (Confession)

Service: On April 06, 2022 (Wednesday)

Time: 5:00 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.

(EVENTS)



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 to 7:00 pm.



ShareLife Offerings: (ShareLife Sunday)

2022: May 01 & June 05

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 April 2022: Health Care Workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

March 26-27, 2022

Total Amount: \$1,497.00

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, April 03

10:00 am † Aristides Nunes

Req. Nimpha Del Rosario

Monday, April 04

No mass

Tuesday, April 05

9:00 am † Pastor Pambid Jr.

Req. Jemely Pambid

Wednesday April 06

7:00 pm **Healing Intentions for Judy**

Branscombe

Req. Mary Anne Law

Thursday, April 07

9:00 am † † Idalina & Agostino Oliviera

Req. Domingos Oliviera

Friday, April 08

7:00 pm In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Req. Donor

Saturday, April 09

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



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