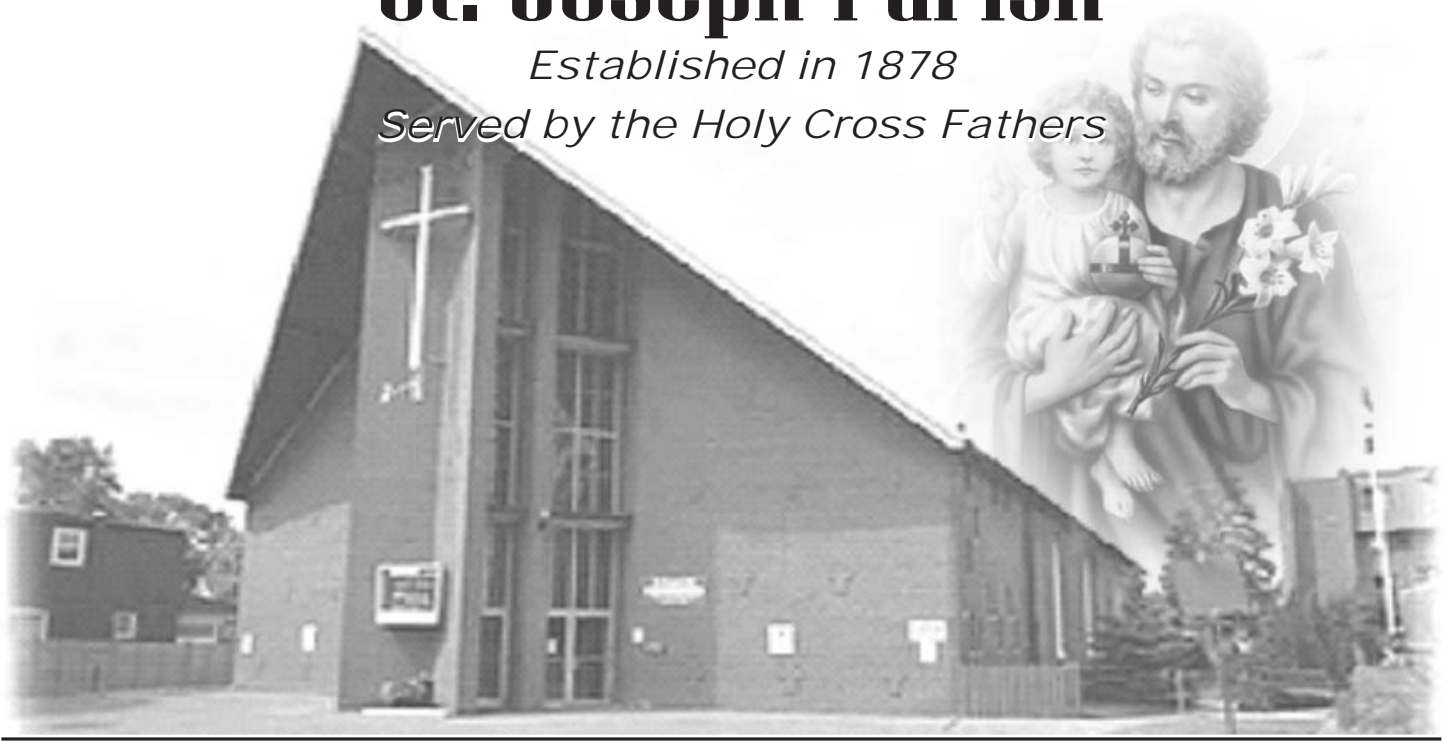


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MASS TIMES:

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



"New Life in Christ"

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

What makes something new? Does "new" mean the same as "never-been-used-before"? We talk about getting a new car, and many of us purchase a car with four or five miles on the odometer and that wonderful new car smell. Others of us purchase a "new" used car. Though it may have thousands of miles on it and be several years old the used car is new to us. Some of us who are the younger members of our families remember all those hand-me-downs that were "new" clothes to us. The reason I'm asking us what we mean when we use the word, "new" is because we are going to be talking about our new life in Christ.

St. Paul makes the claim, "That if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything new has become new!". It is first important to point out the verb tense of the new life Paul is talking about. He says that the "Old HAS passed away." Our new life is something that that has happened when we have become "in Christ." Our new life is not something that we attain by hard work over a long period of time. Its gestation period is Jesus Christ hanging on the cross on Good Friday and being raised from the dead on Easter Sunday.

A sinful life is a self-centered rather than God centered life. "I" is at the center of sin, and focused on the "I" we ignore God or live in rebellion against God's will and kingdom. Our old life is replaced by a new life that enables us to live before God in righteousness and purity forever. Our desire becomes the accomplishment of God's will rather than the realization of our will. This is a big new! It is much more than tweaking our lives by improving our speech, or attending worship more regularly. The passing of the old is a fundamental change in our lives.

Our new life also comes with a new purpose. At one time our goals were to make ends meet, to be successful and affluent, or to "eat, drink and be merry." These are no longer our goals. Our goals now are to pursue our calling to mission and ministry.

Our new life causes us first to view everyone around us as people whom God loves and for whom Jesus died. This is very different from the way the world views people. From the world perspective people are separated by their differences and judged by preconceived notions and a collection of arbitrary standards. Seeing everyone as loved by God and forgiven through the cross of Jesus Christ, we seek to reconcile those around us. **God Bless. Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC**



REMEMBERING
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,
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The Week Ahead :

- Jan 09: Memorial: The Baptism of the Lord
- Jan 12: Memorial: St. Marguerite Bourgeoys
- Jan 13: Memorial: St. Hillary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Jan 17: Memorial: St. Anthony , Abbot
- Jan 18: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Jan 20: Memorial: St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr & Sebastian.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS JANUARY 2023



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Obituary: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



was born Joseph Alois Ratzinger, died at the age of 95. His death on Saturday came days after Pope Francis asked for prayers for his predecessor, saying he was "very sick". Ratzinger was considered by many to be one of the most important theologians of our time who knew the Vatican inside out, including processes, institutions, people and machinations of the Curia. He possessed all the prerequisites for a successful pontificate. "Benedict XVI's greatest contribution to the Catholic Church through his encyclicals 'Deus caritas est' (God is Love), 'Spe Salvi' (Saved by Hope) and 'Caritas in veritate' (Love or Charity in Truth), and other pronouncements such as 'Sacramentum caritatis' (The sacrament of charity). "He emphasised that Christianity is the 'religion of the Logos [reason]' but which he meant that faith comes from 'creative reason' and is 'open to all that is truly rational'." **Rest in Peace, Benedict XVI: The humble worker.**

On the Road to Union with God: A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. Generally, there are three broad recognizable stages as we grow closer to God: the Purgative stage, the Illuminative stage, and the Unitive stage. We will explore this journey with the help of the life of the saints, who had to get in touch with their own human frailty along their own unique life-journey. Register: manresa-canada.ca or email: registration@manresa.ca Phone: 905-839-2864. Friday, January 13, 2023 07:00 pm - Sunday, January 15, 2023 01:00 pm at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering.

Confirmation Sessions: All the sessions will be shortly after the Sunday



10:00 a.m. Mass. January 15, 2023, January 29, 2023, February 12, 2023, February 26, 2023, March 12, 2023.

All the candidates are requested to attend Sunday mass and be enriched spiritually.



Marriage Sunday

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

On the second Sunday of February, each year, the

Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates Marriage Sunday. In 2023, it will be celebrated on the weekend of February 11/12. Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at the special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 12 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass beginning at 2:15pm. Please visit <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/> to view.

WEEKEND COLLECTION:

January 1-2, 2023

Total Amount: \$ 1,374.25

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Joseph Parish community sincerely thanks Knights of Columbus, Council 9079 for their continued support. God Bless You.

† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 08

10:00 am † Rosa & Karl Gauch

Req. Toots Bishop Family

Monday, January 09

No mass

Tuesday, January 10

9:00 am

Req.

Wednesday January 11

7:00 pm † For the Unborn

Req. Toni Muise & Marilyn Roberts

Thursday, January 12

9:00 am

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Friday, January 13

7:00 pm

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Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm For the Intention of St.

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