

# St. Joseph Parish

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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>
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:**  
**The Knights of Columbus:** [www.kofc9079.com](http://www.kofc9079.com)

**St. Joseph Catholic School:**  
**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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## Motherhood

*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



You may not know the name Anna Jarvis, but she was the first one to suggest having a national observance of an annual day honoring all mothers because she had loved her mother so much. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, she gave a carnation, which was her mother's favorite flower, to every person who attended. Well, the idea of honoring mothers soon caught on and on May 9, 1914 by an act of congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. He established it as a time for "public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country." Let us consider for a moment the thoughts of two great men about the role their mothers played in their lives. George Washington once said, "My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her."

Abraham Lincoln spoke similar words when he said, "All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel Mother." Motherhood is a very high calling. What relationship can ever replace the love of a mother and a grandmother? It is essential for women to realize that the love, guidance and influence they provide to their children are distinct and invaluable.

There is no doubt that motherhood is a very high calling. But, to whom can mothers look as the real model of motherhood? Today's modern culture offers many role models through television, movies and women's magazines. However, often these role models are either all together wrong or they offer a very limited and unrealistic view of true motherhood.

All mothers who wish to be true to their high calling need only look to the woman who became the greatest mother of all. Born into humble surroundings, she was called by God to be the mother of the Son of God. She affirmed her obedience to the call of God and lived out her vocation throughout her entire life. Mary, the mother of Jesus, our Blessed Mother, is the true model of motherhood. "It can thus be said that women, by looking to Mary, find in her the secret of living their femininity with dignity and of achieving their own true advancement.

"When you are a mother, you are never really alone in your thoughts. A mother always has to think twice, once for herself and once for her child." *Sophia Loren. Happy Mother's Day*  
**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 :

- May 14: Memorial: Mother's Day
- May 15: Memorial: St. Isidore
- May 18: Memorial: Ascension of the Lord
- May 20: Memorial: St. Bernadine of Siena
- May 22: Memorial: St. Rita of Cascia

### Online Faith Formation Study Opportunity:

In partnership with the University of Dayton in Ohio, the Archdiocese of Toronto is offering a discounted rate for the upcoming cycle of online courses and seminars offered by the Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation at the University of Dayton. Courses and certificate programs are on a variety of topics related to our Catholic faith.

The next cycle of courses and seminars run from May 22 to June 25, 2023. You can download a list of courses and seminars in both English and Spanish. Course topics include but are not limited to: An Introduction to Catholic Doctrine on the Blessed Virgin Mary, Introduction to Prayer, Faith and Human Development, Leadership Roles and Skills for Adult Learning and Faith Formation, Sacraments and much more!

Registration for this cycle closes on May 17, 2023. The discounted rate for a five-week course is \$50 (USD) and each three-week seminar is \$40 (USD). For more information or if you have any questions on this opportunity to learn and grow in faith, please feel free to reach out to the Office of Formation for Discipleship at [formation@archtoronto.org](mailto:formation@archtoronto.org).



Next **ShareLife Sunday collection on June 04, 2023.** Thank you for your generous contribution. **God Bless.**



**POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION**  
**FOR MAY 2023: For Church Movements & Groups:**  
We pray that Church movements & groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

**Healing Prayer Service for the Sick:** Divine Retreat Centre Toronto will be having a Healing Prayer Service for the Sick, especially praying for cancer patients/survivors and the terminally ill. There will be Holy Mass and Eucharistic Adoration from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For further information please contact our office. Divine Retreat Centre Toronto (69 William Street) **PHONE:** 647-949-4932

Mark Your  
**CALENDAR**



**Father's Day: June 18**  
BBQ after the Sunday 10 a.m. Mass.

**Wine & Cheese: Karaoke night:**  
**July 22, Saturday at 6:30 p.m.**

**Dinner & Dance: August 26:**

Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

**BBQ : September 24:**

after the Sunday 10 a.m. mass

**International Food Festival: Oct 29:**

after the Sunday 10 a.m.



**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**  
**May 6 -7, 2023: \$ 1,197.00**

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God Bless You.

# † MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, May 14**

**10:00 am : Thanksgiving Intention for the gift of Life to Henedina Mavrommatis**

Req. Nick & Angie Blanco

† **Stella De France**

Req. Diane De France

† **Noemia & Francisco Medeiros**

Req. Emmanuel Medeiros

**Monday, May 15 : No Mass**

**Tuesday, May 16**

**9:00 am : † Juan & Luz Blanco**

Req. George & Henedina Mavrommatis

**Wednesday, May 17**

**7:00 pm : Thanksgiving Intentions**

Req. Toni Muise

**Thursday, May 18**

**9:00 am : Thanksgiving Intentions for the Gift of Life of Myrna Ramos**

Req. Jhosie Carino

† **Marie Ellen Kavanagh Riley**

Req. Joanne Kavanagh

**Friday, May 19**

**7:00 pm : Special Intentions**

Req. Toni Muise

**Saturday, May 20**

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



**St. Joseph, Pray for us.**

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