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## UNITY IN DIVERSITY

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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  
Children’s Liturgy  
Collection Counters  
Communion to the Sick  
Lectors & Eucharistic  
Ministries  
Legion of Mary  
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:**  
**The Knights of Columbus:** [www.kofc9079.com](http://www.kofc9079.com)

**St. Joseph Catholic School:**  
**Principal:** Eoghan Morishita-Miki  
**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**  
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# THE THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : NOVEMBER 19, 2023



*From the Pastor's desk:*

## **Rely on your faith during hard times.**



Whether you're struggling with a big life change or you're just having one of those weeks where nothing seems to go right, relying on faith can help carry you through. We shouldn't separate good times or hard times from our faith. We are blessed to have our lives penetrated with the gift of faith and we are striven to have our relationship with Jesus (God) be as authentic a relationship as we would have with a physical person.

We need to schedule prayer and worship as part of our daily routine. We must pray to soften our hearts during those times. During hard times, we got to bring our true emotions, the conversations we have with others, including their concerns, into our prayer. It is God's wisdom and love that gives us confidence and hope, even when our emotions struggle.

Struggling is normal and I would say in many ways essential to growing in faith. If we can't go before God in truth than we are not in a right relationship with Him. I think we should bring every emotion, fear, doubt and concern to Him.

If you are in a relationship with someone and a lack of trust has come into that relationship, it is important for that relationship that the doubts are openly talked about. It is the same with my relationship with God.

I need to be able to say to God, "I am doubting you. I am angry at you. I am feeling torn apart. Help me!" I think saying out loud how we feel to God allows Him to respond back in our heart and through others and there can be spiritual peace.

If I am not internally able to share my struggles with God, I find a close friend to share my heart with, someone who cares enough to listen – not necessarily to do something.

I think it is important that we accept and understand that we are created for community, for relationship. We need love, support, kindness, hope and confidence to gain strength to deal with the challenges of life, and we find that in and through our relationships. Also remember to have a heart of gratitude and find some good in your day, to claim it as good and to tell someone of that good. Remember that God is bigger than your struggles, He is bigger than a bad week and this time on earth will be very short compared to the gift of Heaven.

**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.**

**Contact: 416 466 7815 or 416 518 0276**

### **The Week Ahead :**

Nov 21: Memorial: Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary  
Nov 22: Memorial: St. St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr  
Nov 23: Memorial: St. Clement 1, Pope & Martyr ,  
St. Columban, Abbot, St. Miguel Agustin Pro  
Nov 24 : Memorial: St. Andrew Dung-Lac  
Nov 25: Memorial: St. Catherine of Alexandra



## **Archdiocese of Toronto**

### **The Church Speaks:**

#### **Takeaways from the Synod on Synodality.**

**Tuesday, November 21, 2023 07:00 PM - Tuesday, November 21, 2023 09:00 PM . Sin & Redemption Pub, 136 McCaul St., Toronto .**

Ignite! Young Adult Ministry presents... an evening on Synodality for Young Adults (18-35). Following Pope Francis' invitation for the whole Church to become a #listeningChurch, an unprecedented gathering of Clergy, Men and Women Religious and Lay Men and Women took place this past October for the Synod on Synodality. Fr. Gerard Ryan SJ, Assistant Professor of Political Theology and Director of Basic Degree Programs at Regis College, will help us unpack the Synod. What insights are there for a #listeningChurch when the Church speaks? What have we learned so far from the Synod process? What comes next? Join us for a lively evening of insights and discussion. Pub Grub Snacks will be provided, beverages are at the guest's expense. Limited seating is available. **REGISTER:** [www.ignite-canada.ca/events](http://www.ignite-canada.ca/events)

### **Spiritus York - Discerning a Life Long Call to Service:**

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 07:00 PM - Wednesday, November 22, 2023 09:00 PM  
EMAIL: [spiritusyork@gmail.com](mailto:spiritusyork@gmail.com)

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## POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For November 2023: For the Pope  
We pray for the Holy Father: as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY  
AT SUNDAY MASS

## CHILDRENS' LITURGY:

The Liturgy of the Word with Children during the Sunday 10:00 a.m. mass each week. This ministry is for school-aged children 4 years old and up. Special thanks to coordinators and volunteers who are returning to this important ministry for our children. Our trained leaders help the children to understand the readings of the day through prayers, discussions and activities.



**Bake Sale: December 17, 2023**  
after the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass.

## SACRAMENTS:

**First Holy Communion:** Rite of acceptance will be during the Sunday 10:00 am Mass on November 26, 2023. First Holy Communion & Reconciliation Sessions will be during the Childrens' Liturgy.

**Confirmation:** Rite of acceptance will be during the Sunday 10:00 am Mass on December 03, 2023. All the candidates for the Sacraments are requested to attend Sunday 10:00 a.m. mass to grow in Faith.



**ADVENT CONFESSION:**  
*on December 20, 2023*  
*at 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.*



**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**  
November 11-12, 2023: \$ 855.05

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# † MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, November 19

10:00 am : For the Intention of Nicole Plach

Req. Audrey Weiss

† Helen DeSousa

Req. Olga Oliveira

**Thanksgiving for All the Blessings**

Req. Delinda, Ying & Jun Dancel

## Monday, November 20 : No Mass

## Tuesday, November 21

9:00 am : † Brian Hamer

Req. Dorothy Hamer

## Wednesday, November 20

7:00 pm : † Pat Dixon

Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira

† Neri Deveau

Req. Toni Muise

## Thursday, November 22

9:00 am :

Req.

11:00am: 101st Birthday of Cecilia James

Req. Lorelei James Hosten

## Friday, November 23

7:00 pm

Req.

## Saturday, November 24

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

† Angela & Benito

Req. Maria Teves & Family

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