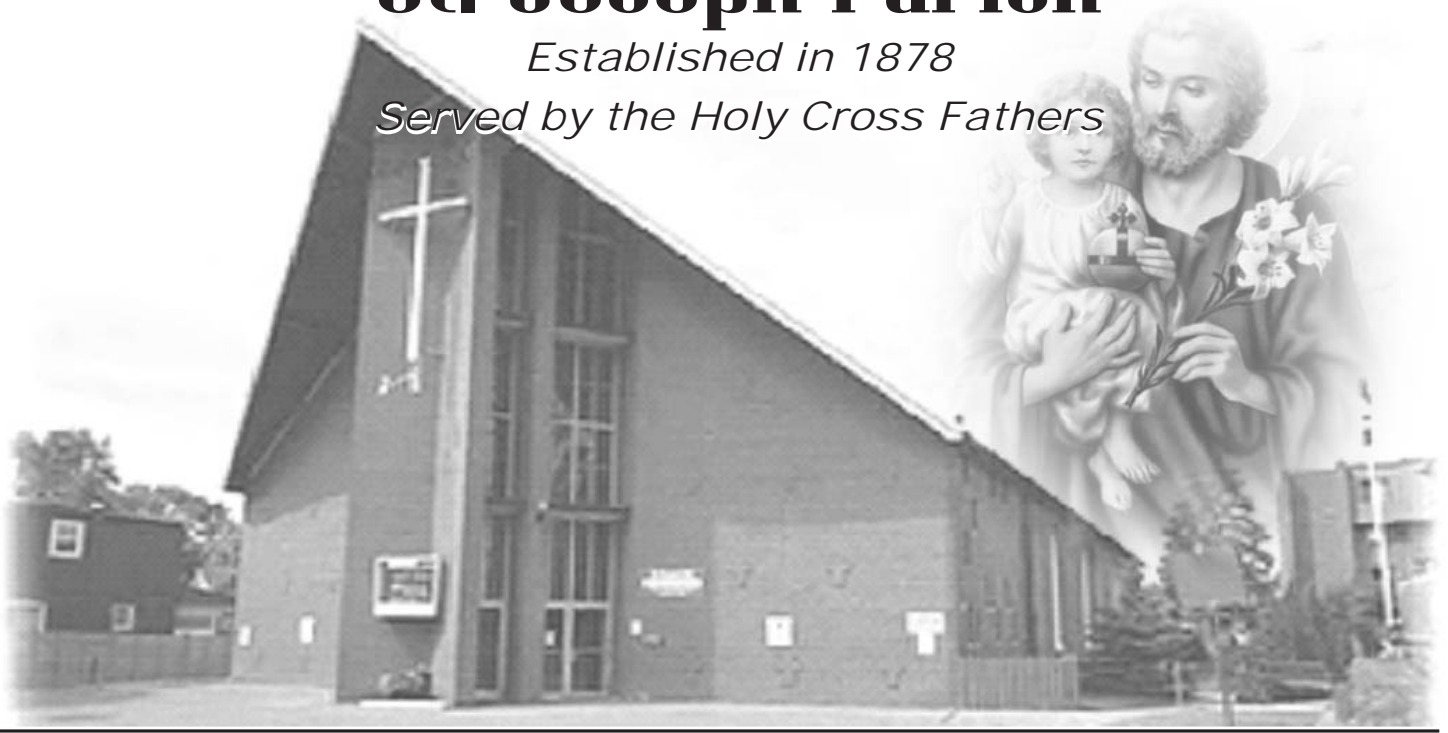


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MASS TIMES:

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.

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD : MARCH 24, 2024



From the Pastors' Desk PALM SUNDAY: The Journey to the Cross

In Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, He told the disciples to get Him a donkey on which He would ride into the city of Jerusalem. Jesus told the disciples to tell its owners, "The Lord has need of it" (Lk. 19:31). Jesus entered Jerusalem with His face set toward the cross knowing that He would be suffering a painful death as a sacrifice for our sin.

As Jesus drew near to the city of Jerusalem, the Bible says He wept. His tears were for the people who failed to recognize He was their Messiah. "As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it..." (Luke 19:41-42). As Zechariah had prophesied, the King would come humbly into Jerusalem riding on a donkey (Zechariah 9:9-10). In those days horses were used in battle and, according to historians, kings rode upon donkeys in missions of peace.

This Sunday we celebrate Palm Sunday. In the days following Palm Sunday, we journey with Jesus during his final days here on earth. We remember his passion, death, and resurrection. At the heart of our faith is God's commitment to us in sending his only son to die for us. God's passion is that we will be one with Him. Jesus enters into our history to show us what it really means to be human. So let us remember that though He once rode into the Holy City of Jerusalem on a donkey in humility, He is now seated at the right hand of the Father – ruling and reigning in glory as the GOOD and PERFECT King.

During this Holy Week, let us reflect on how strong is our faith in Jesus when we see him suffering under the weight of the Cross? Are we still willing to stand by him even when it seems impossible for him to get out of this situation? Have we forgotten all the times we saw miracles happen and how God removed us from situations that could cause us harm? How often do we take the time to pray and thank Jesus for everything he does for us? When we pray, it means we're spending time with Jesus. St. Therese was someone who tried to make everything she did a prayer to God, even washing the dishes or doing the laundry. Jesus wants to be a part of your day wherever you are, and whatever you're doing. The next time you're doing your chores, just say a little prayer and ask Jesus to come and be with you. He wants to be part of everything you do. "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever." Revelation 11:15b

Have a blessed Holy Week. Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC



REMEMBERING ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,

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For more information, please call the Parish office of St. Joseph Church. Contact: 416 466 7815 or 416 518 0276

The Week Ahead :

Mar 24: Palm Sunday

Mar 28: Holy Thursday

Mar 29: Good Friday

Mar 30: Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

Mar 31: Easter Sunday



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Is Failure An Option?

Friday, April 12, 2024 07:00 PM - Sunday, April 14, 2024 01:30 PM
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Men & Women Ignatian Silent Retreat - facilitated by Br. Guy Consolmagno, SJ. – "Is Failure An Option? Failure is not an option!" was the supposed mantra of the engineers who built the Apollo Moon rockets. But in fact, science progresses precisely by failing. What insights to ourselves and our faith can we derive from how science learns from its mistakes? This silent weekend retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$275 per person which includes 2 night's accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program.

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Monday, April 8 to Monday, May 13, 2024



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD : MARCH 24, 2024



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For March 2024:

For the New Martyrs:

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage & missionary enthusiasm.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule 2024

March 20: Lenten Confessions:

Wednesday 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm



March 23 & 24: Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

Mass With Blessing of Palms

Saturday, March 23: 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 24: 10:00 am



March 28: Holy Thursday

Mass Of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 pm

Mass concludes with the Eucharistic procession to the altar of reposicion, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues until 11:00 pm



March 29: Good Friday

2:00 pm Stations of The Cross

3:00 pm Celebration of The Lord's Passion



March 30: Holy Saturday

8:00 pm Easter Vigil in The Holy Night



March 31: Easter Sunday

10:00 am Mass of Easter Sunday

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WEEKEND COLLECTION:

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† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 24:

10:00 am : **Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life**

Req. Jose Aragon

Monday, March 25: NO MASS

Tuesday, March 26:

9:00 am : † **Kenny Monis**

Req. Monis Family

† **Jose Arruda**

Wednesday, March 27:

7:00 pm : † **Jose Arruda**

Thursday, March 28:

7:00 pm : † **Jose Arruda**

Friday, March 29:

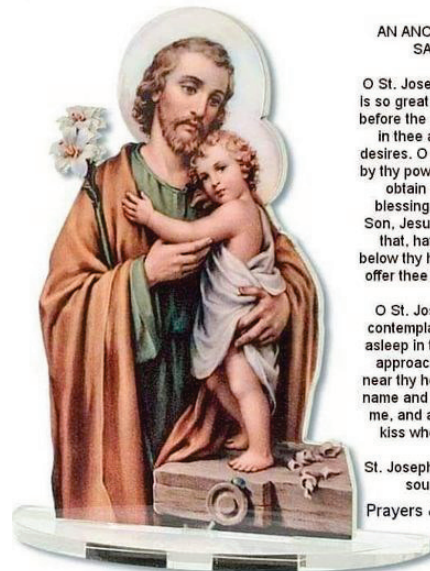
3:00 pm **For the Intentions of St. Joseph
Parish Community**

Saturday, March 30:

8:00 pm : **For the Intentions of St. Joseph
Parish Community**

† **Jacinto Plazo**

Req. Brian Plazo Family



AN ANCIENT PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in thee all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, assist me by thy powerful intercession and obtain for me all spiritual blessings through thy foster Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord, so that, having engaged here below thy heavenly power, I may offer thee my thanksgiving and homage.

O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating thee and Jesus asleep in thine arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near thy heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me.

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