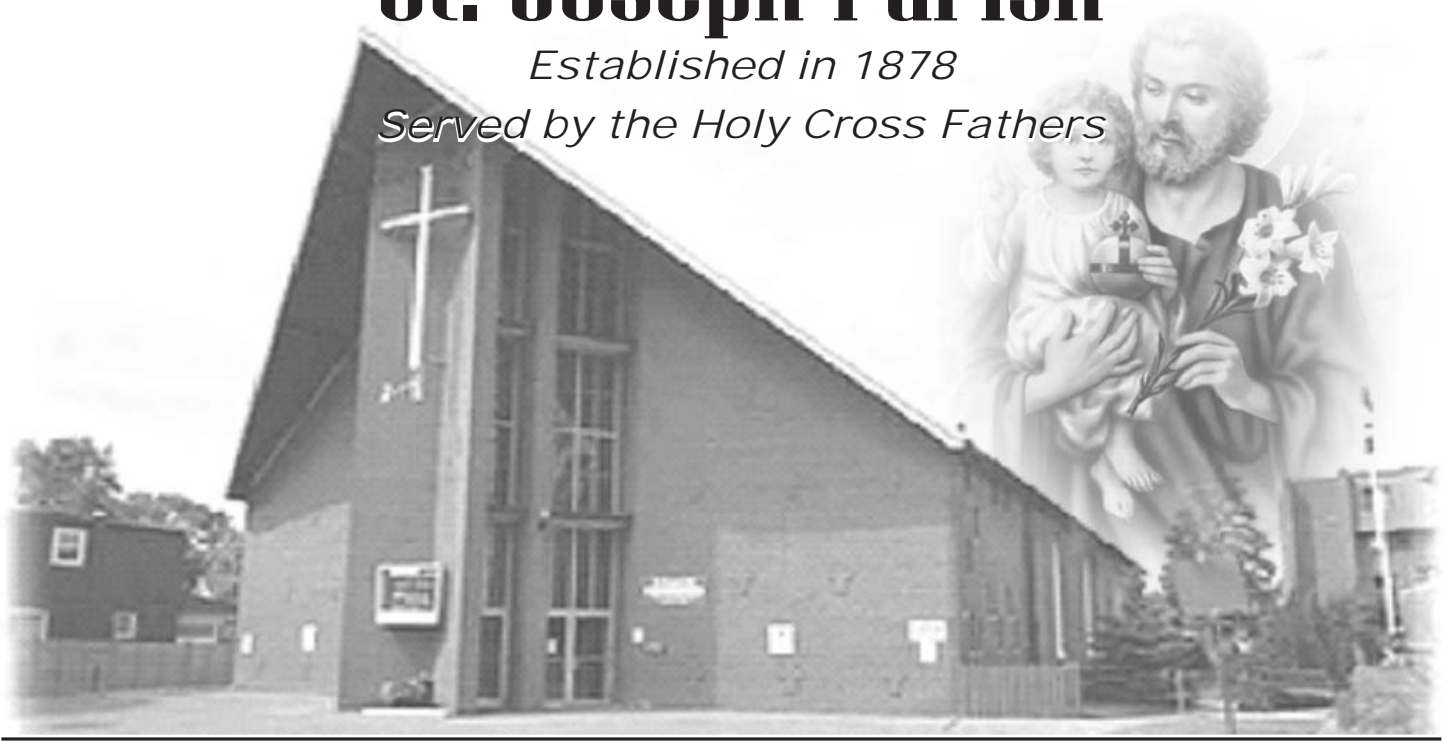


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**Pastor:** Fr. Roshan Loy D’Souza, CSC  
**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Nerie Bernal  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
**Monday to Friday:** 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Music Ministry:** Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

### PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers  
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Ministries  
Legion of Mary  
Social Action Committee  
Parish Council

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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.**

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER : APRIL 07, 2024



From the Pastors' Desk

### Light of Risen Christ dispels darkness of Fear

As the Easter people we cannot allow the darkness of fear to overwhelm us rather we need the light of Easter to illuminate our lives and give us courage. Fears

"must be brought to light. And when

fears, which are in darkness, come into the light, the truth bursts out. Do not be discouraged: If you are afraid, put it to the light and it will do you good!"

Although Jesus' resurrection "conquered the darkness of death," there are still dense clouds "that darken our time." We continue to experience a terrible war, while injustices and violence continue in many regions of the earth that destroy humankind and the planet. "Often it is innocent who pay the highest price: Not only is their existence compromised and made insecure, but their dreams for the future are trampled on. Many brothers and sisters are still waiting for the light of Easter."

When we reflect upon the Gospel reading from St. John, in which the risen Christ appears to his disciples while they were fishing on the Sea of Galilee, the disciples experienced moments in life that "put us to the test" and make us feel naked, helpless and alone experience. In those times of uncertainty, we must not keep to ourselves, because "fears must be said, fears must be expressed in order to be able to drive them away. Darkness puts us in crisis; but the problem lies in how we manage this crisis. "If I keep it only for myself, for my heart, and I don't talk about it with anyone, it doesn't work. In times of crisis, you have to talk, talk with the friend who can help, with your dad, your mom, your grandfather, your grandmother, with a person who can help. Crises must be illuminated to overcome them. Do not be afraid of life and all that it entails but instead to be afraid "of the death of the soul, of the death of the future, of the closure of the heart. Life is beautiful, life is meant to be lived and to give it to others; life is meant to be shared with others, not to close it in on itself.

**God loves us all — no matter how badly we have led our lives.** God wants us to recognize His mercy - which is greater than our sins. We can approach God with greater trust, receive His abundant mercy, and let it flow through us to others so that all will come to share His joy. ***Have a Blessed Divine Mercy Sunday.***

**Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC**



**REMEMBERING ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,**

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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 :

Apr 08: The Annunciation of the Lord

Apr 11: St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

Apr 13: St. Martin 1, Pope & Martyr

Apr 23: St. George, Martyr; St. Adelbert, Bishop & Martyr

Apr 24: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

Apr 25: St. Mark, Evangelist

Apr 29: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & doctor of the Church



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#### Eucharistic Miracle Retreat 2024

The Eucharistic Miracle Retreat will be led by Fr. Sam Samuel VC, Fr. Louis Joseph VC, and the Divine team on April 13th and 14th from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (both days are mandatory).

The retreat will consist of Holy Mass, Praise and Worship, Confession, Spiritual talks and Eucharistic Adoration. Join us as we come to enrichen our faith in Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Prior registration is required with a fee of \$20 (plus service fees) and registration can be done through our website [divineretreatcentretoronto.org](http://divineretreatcentretoronto.org).

#### Women of the Word Toronto - 15th Annual Forum

**Sunday, April 14, 2024 09:00 AM - Sunday, April 14, 2024 02:30 PM**  
**8201 Weston Rd., Woodbridge, Ont.**

We are thrilled to tell you that Mary Lenaburg will be back. Mary is funny, witty and vivacious, as she is wise. She will have lots to share. Also with us will be the lovely Liz Kelly, author, speaker and a truly beautiful, gentle soul whose message you won't want to miss. And our very own Felicia Raso will share her touching personal testimony for which we are most honoured and grateful. What a day it's going to be! Come spend it with us on Sunday, April 14 that The Royalton Hospitality Inc. **WEB: [www.wowblessingtoronto.com](http://www.wowblessingtoronto.com)**

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER : APRIL 07, 2024



## POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For APRIL 2024:

### *For the Role of Women:*

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination and that they experience in different parts of the world.



### Confirmation Input Sessions:

All the candidates are requested to attend Sunday 10:00 am Mass.

Next confirmation session is on April 7, 2024.

Confession & Practice Session on April 13, 2024 at 10:00 am Saturday.

**Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 20, 2024 Saturday at 10:30 am.**



### First Holy Communion & Reconciliation Sessions.

During the Childrens' Liturgy at every Sunday 10:00 am Mass



### Chili Night on April 27 at 6.00 pm.

You are invited to participate in the Chili Competition which is open to all the parishioners. The best Chili will be awarded through the peoples choice voting.



### Mothers' Day Gift Basket

On May 12, 2024. Raffle tickets will be sold after the Weekend Masses.



### WEEKEND COLLECTION:

March 30-31, 2024: \$ 1,902.30

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Thanks to all our volunteers for their commitment and to our benefactors for your continued support.

Kindly contribute through Pre Authorized Giving.

Forms are available in the foyer.

**A Big thanks to Knights of Columbus, Council 9079.**



# † MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 07:

10:00 am : † Marguerite Godin

Req. Carol Godin Family & Friends

† Susan Edquila & Thanksgiving for all the Blessings

Req. Art Edquila

Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life

Req. Elsa Borja

Monday, April 08: NO MASS

Tuesday, April 09:

9:00 am : Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life to Arlene

Ignacio

Req. Nick & Angie Blanco

Wednesday, April 10:

7:00 pm : † For the Unborn

Req. Toni Muise & Marilyn Robert

† Darrin Elliott

Req. Lourdes Elliott

Thursday, April 11:

9:00 pm : † Cornelio Hatulan

Req. Betty Corre & Family

Friday, April 12:

7:00 pm

Req.

Saturday, April 13:

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

† Herminigildo Dancel

Req. Dancel Children



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