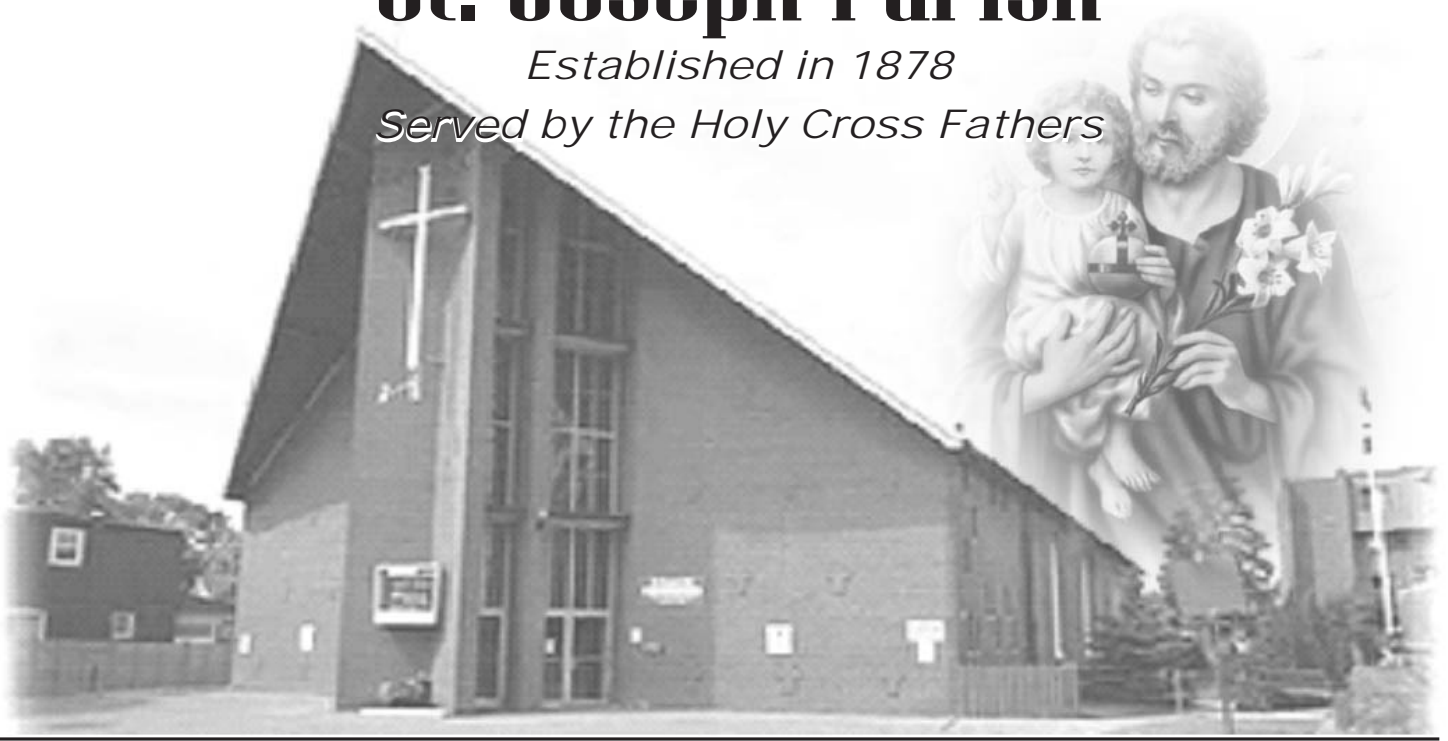


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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Music Ministry: Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

PARISH MINISTRIES

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*If you feel called to
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St. Vincent de Paul Society:
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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.

Hall Rental: Please contact the parish office at 416-466-7815.

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THE STRENGTH OF SURRENDER

“Now the Lord said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.’” Genesis 12:1

How often are we offered the opportunity to take an epic “Abraham” journey? Do we recognize when God asks us to leave all that we know and love to follow an unknown path? Perhaps we close our ears to the invitation. Abram loved God, and God recognized his devotion. Would Abram’s love and devotion flow deep enough in his soul for Abram to surrender to God’s challenge? Formation is journey without end, constantly changing and adapting to the environment surrounding us. There is love, there is devotion and if we are willing admit, surrender. It is a joy to love God, joyful work to be devoted to God, but it must be the most wonderful joy to surrender to God.

Helping anyone to know that God is more in charge than we are is difficult. It’s only natural that a parent wants to do everything possible to provide for their family, to make sure their children are safe and to be responsible for creating a happy home. Surrender doesn’t seem like a good vocabulary word for parenting. Recognizing, and helping others to recognize, the opportunities for surrender seems to me to be an important part of what we should be doing for the church’s children and youth and young adults and older adults. And yet as fundamental as it sounds, it’s difficult to set the example. It’s difficult to relinquish control over what we hold dear or what we feel responsible for in our life and work. If we’re afraid to let go and step out and go a new way, we’re not being true to who we say we are.

I think of the practices that are tried and true for our community, the things that have always worked well – why would we want to follow a new path? The answer is that we are continually called to follow a new path. What is calling? Where are you called to go? Each one of us might think that, I find myself called to a journey I did not ask for, to something I didn’t expect. If I ask others to head such a call, I have to be willing to do the same. We are called every day to seize the opportunity to be living a new life in Christ; we are offered the gift of surrender.

Pray: Lord, Thank you that you are capable of delivering me from all my fears— not just from the things I’m afraid of, but the actual fear itself. I want to live a surrendered life, a life that appreciates and desires your will above my own. Help me remember that when I let go of control and accept what you have for me, you will be faithful to deliver me from all my fears. Amen.

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 / 416 518 0276.**

The Week Ahead :

- Jan 19: Ecumenical Sunday
- Jan 20: St. Fabian; Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Jan 21: St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
- Jan 22: Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- Jan 23: St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
- Jan 24: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Jan 25: Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle



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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : JANUARY 19, 2025



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For January 2025: For the Right to an Education:
Let us pray for the migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



Be an ALTAR Server: St. Joseph's Church provides young Catholics in grades 4 through 12 (ages 10 and up) with the opportunity to grow stronger in their faith and become more active in the celebration of the Mass by altar serving. There will be training for both new and returning altar servers and is required prior to being scheduled for Sunday Masses.



Children's Liturgy:
During every Sunday 10:00 am Mass.
Helping our children grow in faith.



First Holy Communion & Reconciliation Sessions:
Every Sunday at 10.00 am. For us as Catholics, there is nothing greater than to receive Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist at Mass.



Sacrament of Confirmation:
In Confirmation the Christian becomes more closely united with Christ. With the strengthening of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit the Christian is able to accept new responsibilities for witnessing Jesus to the world.

Sessions for the candidates: January 19 and 26. All the candidates are requested to be present for these sessions and the following.

Marriage Sunday 2025 - Celebration of Marriage:
Mass with Bishop Ivan Camilleri: Marriage Sunday in 2025 will be held on the weekend of Feb. 8/9 , 2025



WEEKEND COLLECTION:
January 11-12, 2025: \$ 889.90
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† MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday, January 19:**
10:00 am : † Keith Foster
Req. Luz Naron
- Monday, January 20: NO MASS**
- Tuesday, January 21:**
9:00 am : † Pilar & Vicente Montifar
Req. Montifar Family
- Wednesday, January 22:**
7:00 pm : **Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life:**
Fr. Roshan
Req. St. Joseph Parish community
- Thursday, January 23:**
9:00 am :
Req.
- Friday, January 24:**
7:00 pm:
Req.
- Saturday, January 25:**
5:00 pm : **St. Joseph Parish Community**

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH



Saint Joseph, foster father of Jesus and faithful guardian of the Holy Family, we turn to you with trust and gratitude. Through your humble obedience and steadfast faith, you exemplified true virtue and devotion.

Intercede for us in our journey of faith, that we may follow your example of selflessness and service. Help us to discern God's will in our lives and to respond with openness and courage. Protect our families, guide our steps, and lead us closer to Jesus, your Son, and our Savior.

Amen.

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