St. Joseph Parish

Established in 1878 Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

UNITY IN DIVERSITY

"Moved by the Good News of Jesus Christ... We Journey with St. Joseph"

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: 647-885-7299

St. Joseph Catholic School:Principal:Eoghan Morishita-MikiPhone: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 the parish office at 416-466-7815.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : FEBRUARY 23, 2025



Patience is a Key

Imagine being born, gifted with natural insight. Coming into the world as the person you are meant to be from the start of it all. We wouldn't need hindsight and we would probably make all the right decisions our entire life.

Unfortunately (or fortunately depending how you view it), we are not born that way. We don't know who we are or what we want majority of our early years on this planet. For some, it takes decades to find who you are. We blindingly make choices based on our upbringing, the environment around us, and our influences. This way of decision making is common, but not the effective way of reaching who you are because it's based on outside factors and not what is within.

Allowing yourself to be you does not come natural. It takes patience and inner reflection to find the path of self mastery. You have to start from within. While patience is associated with waiting, is also associated with acting upon the right time. An example is to be patient to confess your love to someone, but act before someone else does. So when you enter a situation with patience, plan your actions while there, so to be ready to act at the right time.

Take a moment to concentrate on what makes YOU happy. Think on what it will take for you to get to that point and plan accordingly. The day will come when your patience will pay off. The trick is to be ready when it does. Patience is a virtue. *Patience is the ability to tolerate delay without frustration*. Those with patience are able to remain calm and avoid impulsive action when faced with challenges. Being impatient has little to offer.

Good things require time. What if it doesn't work? There is certainly a possibility that things don't go as expected. This implies that there is also a possibility that things go well. Even if you fail, you can retry again. Bottom line: Life requires us to be patient. Not every day has to be special. There will always be days when you feel stuck, overwhelmed, or like you're not going ahead in life. However, you should trust the process and relax.

Patience is an important element of faith. That is why it's one of the seven capital virtues. It allows us to bear suffering without being overwhelmed by sorrow or abandoning virtuous living. It gives us the strength to imitate Christ even when our passions want to lash out over a situation we deem unfair or unwarranted. It's what keeps us returning to God even when it seems pointless. Patience is intertwined with virtues such as charity, temperance, diligence, and humility. **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, Contact:

St. Joseph Church: 416 466 7815 / 416 518 0276.

The Week Ahead :

Feb 27: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church Mar 03: St. Katherine Drexel, Virgin Mar 04: St. Casimir Mar 05: Ash Wednesday Mar 07: Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs Mar 08: St. Joh Of God, Religious



Jubilee Year Regional Masses

All Masses begins at 7:00 pm. Confessions will take place from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm. No Need to register. Please join us! They include: *Tuesday February 25, 2025 :* St. Edward the Confessor Church, Officiated by: Cardinal Francis Leo

Silent Ignatian Retreat for Women Lent as a Pilgrimage of Hope

Friday, March 07, 2025 07:30 PM - Sunday, March 09, 2025 01:30 PM.

At Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre Pickering

This silent weekend retreat begins on Friday evening and runs to Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$260 per person which includes two night's accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program.

CONTACT: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre EMAIL: pickmanresa@rogers.com

REGISTER: Via email at manresaregistration@outlook.com, online at https://manresa-canada.ca or call 905-839-2864

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POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION

For February 2025:

For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious life:

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires & doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood & religious life.



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 at 10:00 am Mass: Children's Liturgy is designed to give children a better understanding of the Mass and the readings.

It provides a foundation for learning and participation that will remain with them throughout their lives.



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: February 23, April 06, 13 & 20. All the candidates are requested to be present for these sessions and the following.



Pancake Breakfast: March 02, 2025:

After the Sunday 10 am Mass at St. Joseph Parish Hall. Tickets are available before and after the Masses. Ticket: \$ 10.00

Easter Basket: April 20, 2025 Mother's Day Basket: May 11, 2025 Father's Day BBQ June 15, 2025



WEEKEND COLLECTION: February 15-16: \$ 484.45

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday,	February 23:
10:00 am : 🕇	Domingos Oliveira
	Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira
Monday,	February 24: NO MASS
Tuesday, 9:00 am :	February 25:
	Req.
Wednesday, 7:00 pm :	February 26: † Brenda Malone
	Req. Family
	† Eusebio & Nelson Pascua
	Req. Family
Thursday, February 27:	
9:00 am :	† Federico Arrarte
	Req. Arrarte Family
Friday, 7:00 pm:	February 28: Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life
	Req. Gaby Bernal
Saturday, M 5:00 pm :	arch 01: St. Joseph Parish Community
	† Edric Tumaneng

Req. Tumaneng Family



Legion of Mary's Corner

What is the Legion of Mary? The Legion of Mary is a world-wide organization of the lay apostolate, in which the Catholic men, women and youth sanctify themselves through prayer and apostolic work in union with Our Lady under the guidance of a priest.

The Legion of Mary meets every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at the back of the church. We welcome new members and visitors! Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #4 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

