

# St. Joseph Parish

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## 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-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 the parish office at 416-466-7815.

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) : APRIL 27, 2025



### Divine Mercy Sunday

In the Roman Catholic Church, Easter has always been a celebration of the great love that God has for His Creation. A love that was shown when the Divine Son became incarnate and dwelt among us, sharing in our lot, showing us the way to the Father, and making the perfect offering in atonement for our sins.

On the First Sunday after Easter the Church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday, a feast based upon the private revelations of Jesus to St. Faustina. In extending this Feast to the entire Church, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized the resurrection context of Easter, citing St. Faustina's diary: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy." In describing this feast, Blessed John Paul II says: "Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ, a gift which it offers to all humanity."

The first epistle of St. John declares to the entire world that "God is love;" and in his encyclical letter *Rich in Mercy*, Blessed John Paul II wrote, "Mercy is love's second name." If we understand mercy in the Biblical sense, then without any fear of error contrary to the faith, it can be said, as John Paul II said, that mercy is the greatest attribute of God. This Biblically formulated relationship between love and mercy is expressed by St. Faustina when she says: "Love is the flower, mercy the fruit."

Divine Mercy is the form that God's eternal love takes when He reaches out to us in the midst of our misery and our brokenness. Whatever the nature of our need might be — sin, guilt, suffering, or death — He is always ready to pour out His merciful, compassionate love for us, to help us. Where there was only despair, loneliness, and heartache before, comes joy, fruitfulness, and abiding love.

The message of Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us and wants us to approach Him in constant prayer, repenting of our sins while asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. He wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others, extending our love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us. We must realize that God does not do anything in portions. He is infinite and the amount of His Divine Mercy available to us is infinite. The only limiting factor is us. The more we trust in Jesus, the more graces we will receive and the more all will come to share His joy.

**Blessed Divine Mercy Sunday: 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.**



## Archdiocese of Toronto

### Jubilee of Hope 2025:

#### Portuguese Day of Prayer in Toronto

On Saturday, May 03, 2025 08:30 AM - Saturday, May 03, 2025 04:00 PM St. Helen's Parish, 1678 Dundas St. W., Toronto. "Jubilee of Hope 2025: Portuguese Day of Prayer in Toronto" presented by the Portuguese Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Join us as we celebrate the Jubilee of Hope with a Day of Prayer; Holy Mass, Adoration, Praise & Worship and anointed talks. Entrance is free; please bring your lunch. CONTACT: Portuguese Catholic Charismatic Renewal PHONE:416-531-8188, EMAIL: rccptoronto@gmail.com

### Day of Reflection for Women

#### Obstacles to Discernment

**Saturday, May 03, 2025 09:30 AM - 04:00 PM**

Achieving Clarity Through the Gift of Reason. Facilitator: Veronica Ljubicic. Further details may be found on our website: manresa-canada.ca. Please see flyer for this special day. The suggested offering is \$65 for the day and includes coffee, tea and muffin break, lunch and the program. For more information and to register, please contact Veronica at boutiquecoachingconnections@gmail.com.

CONTACT: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre

**Dinner and Dance:** Once again, we invite you to a night of celebration. St. Ann Parish and the Native People's Mission are hosting a dinner and dance titled "Ticket to the 80s and 90s" on May 31, 2025, at 6.00 p.m. Mass. The ticket \$ 25.00.

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**Pope Francis: 1936 - 2025**

### Prayer for a Deceased Pope

God, Who, in Thine ineffable providence, didst will that Thy servant Francis should be numbered among the high priests; grant, we beseech Thee, that he, who on earth held the place of Thine only-begotten Son, may be joined forevermore to the fellowship of Thy holy pontiffs. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

*May the soul of Pope Francis through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.*



**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. It provides a foundation for learning and participation that will remain with them.



**Be an Altar Server:** Altar Servers are a very special group of who have answered God's call to ministry. They are one of the liturgical ministers of our parish and have special tasks to perform during the liturgies, especially during the celebration of the Eucharist at Mass.



### 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. Session for the candidates: April 27

**Mother's Day Basket: May 11, 2025**

**Father's Day BBQ : June 15, 2025**

**Karaoke Night: July 19, 2025**

**Volunteers Appreciation: August 24, 2025**

**International Food Fest: Sep. 28, 2025**

**Dinner & Dance: Nov. 22, 2025**



### WEEKEND COLLECTION:

**April 19-20, 2025 : \$ 1448.85**

Thank you for your constant support and generous contribution.  
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 27:**

10:00 am : † Sofia Salvador

Req. Mirasol & Rosie Adel

**Monday, April 28: NO MASS**

**Tuesday, April 29:**

9:00 am : † Rodeno, Princess, Susan & Neal

Req. Marites Santos

**Wednesday, April 03:**

7:00 pm : † James Gribben

Req. Judy Endacott

**Thursday, May 01:**

9:00 am : † Johnwell Salvador & Jeffrey Tan

Req. Jocelyn Salvador

**Friday, May 02:**

7:00 pm:

Req.

**Saturday, May 03:**

5:00 pm : St. Joseph Parish Community

† Armenio & Maria Cordero

Req. Elizabeth Fragnelli

### Legion of Mary's Corner

We are inviting all children from Grade 6 to High School to join us in the formation of St. Joseph Youth Ministry. Registration forms are available at the Parish Office or email Lourdes at: [lourdeselliott61@gmail.com](mailto:lourdeselliott61@gmail.com) to request a copy. Information meeting to be announced. What is a Youth Ministry? Is a fellowship of young people at St. Joseph that provides opportunities for spiritual growth, social interaction, personal development and community involvement. It aims to engage in a variety of activities including spiritual gatherings, recreational activities and social events. "You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" John 15:27. World Youth Day Theme, Rome, Italy, July 28 to August 3, 2025.

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