

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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Hope is Alive

Someone once told me hope is the last thing we hold on to when our circumstances tell us to move on or let go of what we are hoping for. For some of us hope can be easy to hold on to. For others, hope is the first thing that leaves us when issues or problems come into our lives.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." (Romans 15:13).

It means Jesus is alive and therefore hope is alive for you and I today! Hope never leaves us, we simply choose to ignore it or not acknowledge it. Hope is a feeling of expression. If you are going through a difficult and painful situation, I highly encourage you to express yourself to God. Let him know how you're feeling even though he already knows. God desires to hear your cry for hope and wants to draw close to you in your season of sorrow, anger or confusion. In doing so, whether you realize it or not, you are placing your hope in Jesus.

God wants us to place our hope in Him and not in a person, place or thing. God wants us to trust him and turn to him rather than losing hope and having nothing to do with him when things aren't going well for us. He wants to draw near to us in those hard seasons of life.

Hope is seeing light in spite of being surrounded by darkness. Sometimes in life, hope is all we have to hold on to. Believe it or not, hope is a necessary emotion that helps us engage with life. Hope is directly related to our sense of possibility. The greater our perception of possibilities, the greater our hope. Hope is what we feel when we think that life is worth living, when we are happy and thinking positive thoughts. Living a hopeful life is to recognize that everything and everyone matters, even you. Taking care of yourself matters.

Here's some things you need to focus on: Recognize that you can change your life at any time. Look for meaning in the most challenging moments. Conduct a hope audit of your life. How are you doing in health, work, family, relationships, etc.? Shift your expectations and take good care of your health. Have a stress reduction strategy, such as meditation, reading, or writing. Create hopeful relationships and learn to forgive. Help others see the best in themselves. Develop a daily journal writing habit to release negative experiences and emotions. Many of us need hope to look forward to the future. As you can see, it's important to embrace hope in all aspects of your life.

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.**



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Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents.

The Life-Giving Wounds retreat invites participants to move through the broken image of love that appeared to them in their parents' relationship to their deepest origin and identity as God's beloved, capable of great love. The next retreat will be from Friday, May 16 at 6 p.m. to Sunday, May 18 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough). Must be 18 or older to attend. Cost: \$340 per person (\$200 for students), which includes meals, lodging and retreat material. Limited subsidies are available if cost is a concern. Please contact lgwtoronto@proton.me. For university/college students, contact your campus minister for more information. Space is limited. To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/LGW-TO-Retreat-Register2025>.

CONTACT: formation@archtoronto.org

Day of Reflection: Finding God in a Busy Life

Monday, May 26, 2025 09:00 am to 03:00 pm

We often wonder where God is as we live our lives in a busy world. We go from day to day without standing still and reflecting on our life journey with God, how God has been there all the way along, even in times when we felt dry or abandoned in our spiritual life. The hope of this retreat is that retreatants come to a higher awareness of their individual unique earthly journey with God. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. The suggested offering is \$65 per person which includes lunch, coffee/tea break and talks.

REGISTER: Email manresaregistration@outlook.com or visit <https://manresa-canada.ca> or call 905-839-2864

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : MAY 11, 2025

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:

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.



First Holy Communion Schedule :

Parents Meeting & Practice: May 24th Saturday at 9 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation [Confession]: May 31st at 10 am
First Holy Communion Mass: June 07th at 10 am



Sacrament Of Confirmation Schedule :

Parents Meeting: May 24th Saturday at 10 am
Confession & Practice Session: May 31st at 11 am
Confirmation Mass & Celebration: June 14th at 10:30 am



Office Of Catholic Youth: Our Vision & Mission: Our vision is to guide youth and young adults, to Encounter, Love, and Serve, Jesus Christ. Please Join the St. Joseph Youth Group.

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

Bake Sale: December 21, 2025



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

May 3 - 4, 2025 : \$ 1,242.85

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Forms are available in the foyer.

A Big thanks to Knights of Columbus, Council 9079.



† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 11:

10:00 am : † Francisco Medeiros & Maria Noemia

Req. Emmanuel Medeiros

† Domingos Oliveira

Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira

Thanksgiving Intentions

Req. Plazo Family

Monday, May 12: NO MASS

Tuesday, May 13:

9:00 am : † Pastor Arrarte

Req. Arrarte Family

Wednesday, May 14:

7:00 pm : † For the Unborn

Req. Toni Muisse & Marilyn Roberts

Thursday, May 15:

9:00 am : Thanksgiving Intentions for Mr. & Mrs. Kennedy & Family

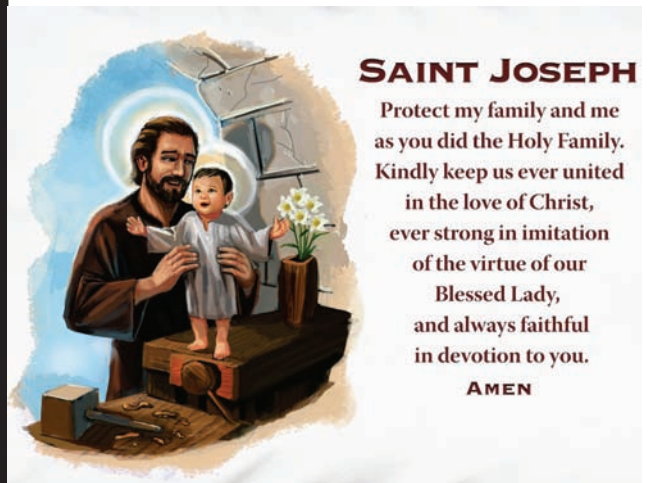
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Friday, May 16:

7:00 pm : † Juan & Luz Blanco

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

5:00 pm : St. Joseph Parish Community



SAINT JOSEPH

Protect my family and me as you did the Holy Family. Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever strong in imitation of the virtue of our Blessed Lady, and always faithful in devotion to you.

AMEN

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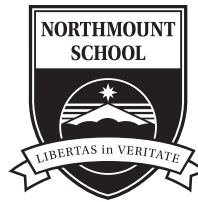
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