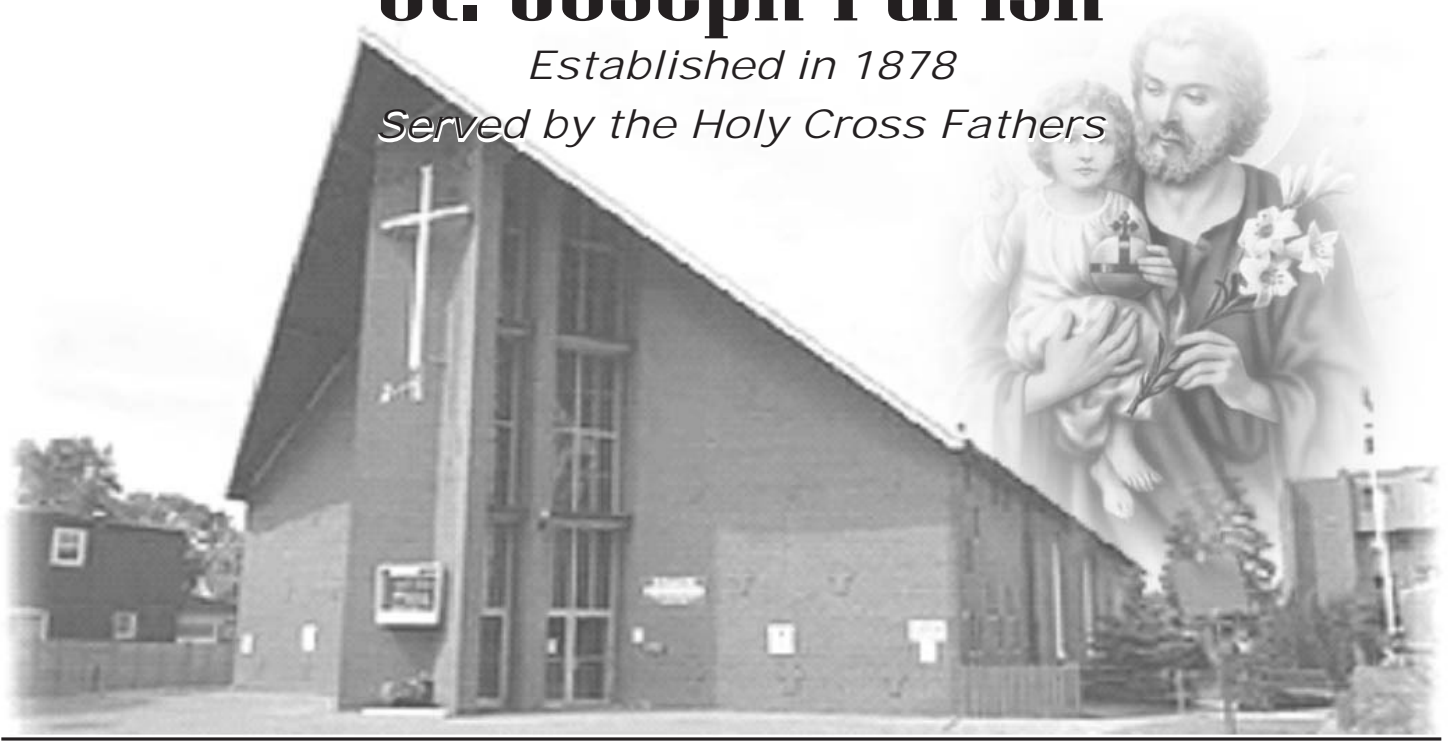


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Pastor: Fr. Roshan Loy D’Souza, CSC
Secretary/Bookkeeper: Nerie Bernal
Custodian: Allan Cobham

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

Music Ministry: Megan Montifar & Eric Fahn

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Children’s Liturgy
Collection Counters
Communion to the Sick
Lectors & Eucharistic
Ministries
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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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A compassionate Heart

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

— Ephesians 4:32

A compassionate heart is one of the most Christlike attributes a person can develop. Throughout Scripture, we see Jesus moved with compassion for the suffering, the sick, the outcast, and even those who betrayed Him. Compassion, at its core, is love in action. It is the choice to extend grace, kindness, and empathy even when it is difficult. In a world that often praises strength, independence, and success, compassion invites us to slow down, to listen, and to care deeply for others—not out of obligation, but out of genuine love.

Just as we have been forgiven and loved without deserving it, we are called to offer that same mercy to those around us. A compassionate heart does not seek reward or recognition. It is humble, quiet, and often unseen by the world. Yet, it is one of the most powerful tools we have to reflect God's character.

Developing a compassionate heart begins with seeing others the way God sees them—as beloved, broken, and worthy of love. It means choosing to respond with patience when others are difficult, offering help when it's inconvenient, and speaking life when the world is full of criticism. Compassion is not weakness; it takes strength to care, especially when it costs us time, comfort, or pride. But compassion is not only for others—it must also extend inward. Many of us struggle to show ourselves the same grace we freely give to others. Yet, God calls us to love our neighbor as ourselves, which implies that self-compassion is not selfish—it's necessary. A compassionate heart begins with understanding our own need for grace and healing, and from that place, we are better able to pour out love to those around us.

In times of conflict, a compassionate heart doesn't seek revenge—it seeks peace. In times of need, it doesn't look away—it leans in. It asks not "What's wrong with this person?" but "What pain might they be carrying?" Compassion transforms the way we interact with the world. It softens our judgments, strengthens our relationships, and deepens our faith. Ultimately, compassion is the outward expression of God's love within us. When we choose to forgive, to help, to listen, or simply to be present in someone's pain, we become vessels of Christ's mercy. In a hurting and divided world, the need for compassion has never been greater. Let us be people whose hearts are tender, whose actions are kind, and whose love reflects the heart of Jesus.

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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Day of Reflection - Gifted in the Spirit: Graced in God

Monday, September 29, 2025 09:00 AM—03:30 PM

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre Pickering

The Holy Spirit is the animating force in all Creation, the energizing impetus in the evolving Church, whole-making and fully alive in each one of us; alive for love and alive for mission. The awareness of the presence of the Holy Spirit, Pope Leo has said, "accomplished something extraordinary in the lives of the Apostles", likewise for us the gift of the Spirit is ours "shattering our inner chains, fears and hardened hearts to make us new." Becoming aware of this great gift of the Spirit is at the heart of discernment calling us to pay attention to the interior movements that align us with God's dream for our lives and for the world. It is also at the very foundation of the Church's renewed call to Synodality through which we are invited to listen intensely, to gift our voices and lives and as we walk together, in communion, participation and mission in a Church unfolding in mystery and in a world that cries for healing.

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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : SEPTEMBER 21, 2025



The Pope's Monthly Intentions for September 2025:

For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by St. Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love & respect.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

"Let the little children come to me..." (Matthew 19:14)

The goal of the Children's Liturgy is to help young children celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in a way that is meaningful and appropriate for their age.

We warmly invite parents to bring their children to the **Sunday 10:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph's Church** and encourage them to take part in this special liturgical experience.

Calling All Children! Join Our Altar Servers and Children's Choir!

We warmly invite all children to become part of two very special ministries in our church community:



Altar Servers: Would you like to help at Mass in a special way? Altar serving is a wonderful opportunity for children to grow in faith, learn more about the Mass, and serve God and the parish. Training will be provided.



Children's Choir: Do you love to sing? Join our joyful Children's Choir and help lead the parish in worship through music! Choir members learn new songs, develop their musical gifts, and make new friends.

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.



International Food Fest: September 28, 2025

Dinner & Dance: November 22, 2025

Bake Sale: December 21, 2025



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

September 13-14, 2025 \$ 1,367.85

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Forms are available in the foyer.

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† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 21:

10:00 am : † Angel Paez, Rolando Vela & Vicenta Flores

Req. Paez Family

**Thanksgiving for Gift of Life-
Justin & Jasper Tan**

Req. Jocelyn Salvador

Monday, September 22: NO MASS

Tuesday, September 23:

9:00 am : † Nicomedes Sirios

Req. Diana Balde

Wednesday, September 24:

7:00 pm :

Req.

Thursday, September 25:

9:00 am :

Req.

Friday, September 26:

7:00 pm: **St. Joseph Parish Community**

Saturday, September 27:

5:00 pm: **Thanksgiving on the 50th Wedding Anniversary**

Req. Emma & Luis Caragan

† Brenda Malone

Req. Family

† Antonio Oliveira

Req. Raposo Family

† Gerard

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