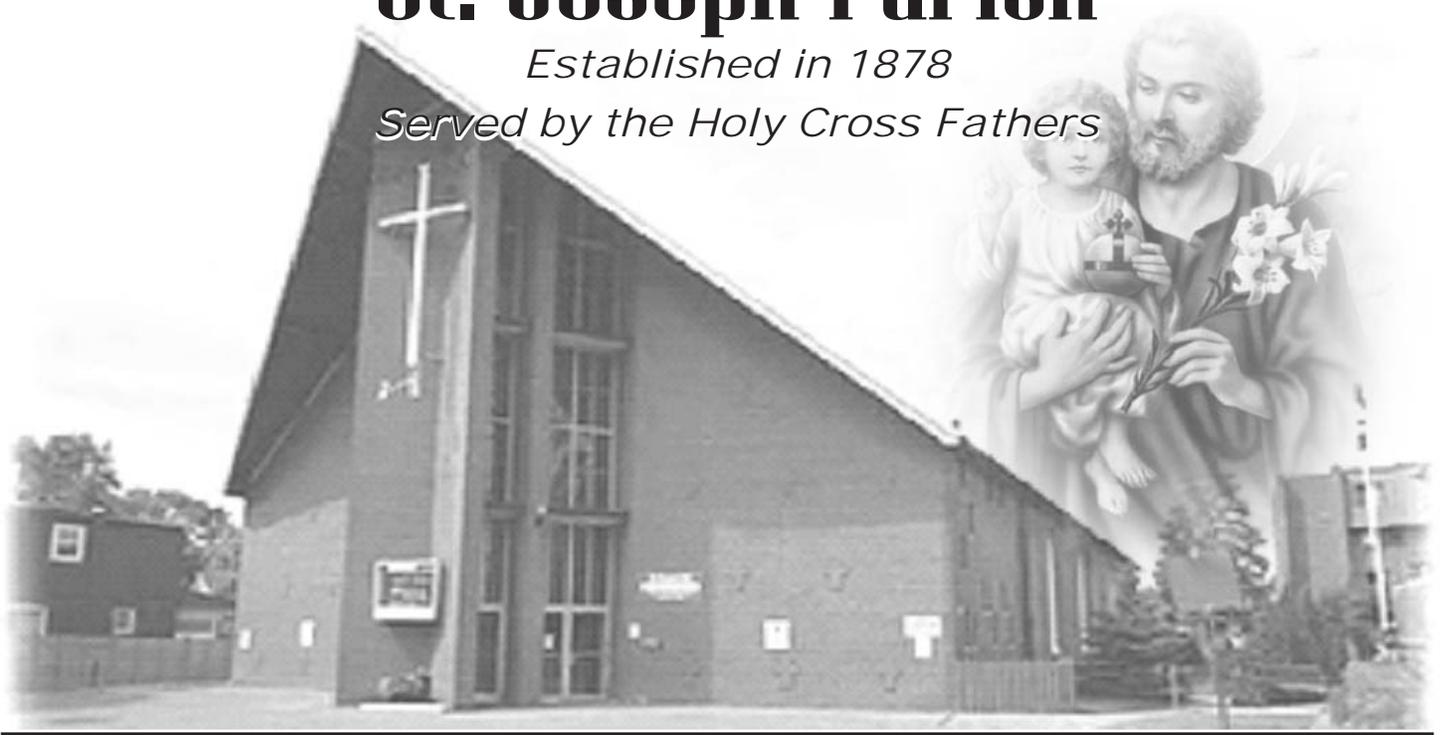


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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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.

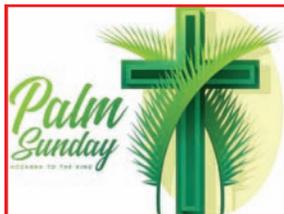
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF CHRIST : MARCH 29, 2026



From the Pastor's Desk.



Palm Sunday brings us to a moment filled with contrast. We begin with joy Jesus entering Jerusalem, welcomed with palm branches, shouts of "Hosanna," and the excitement of a long-awaited king. Yet, within the same liturgy, we hear the Passion narrative, and the tone shifts dramatically: betrayal, suffering, and death on the cross. The Church places these two scenes side by side to help us understand something essential about discipleship and about the kind of Messiah Jesus truly is.

The crowd at the entrance to Jerusalem is full of hope. They expect a powerful leader, someone who will restore their nation and defeat their enemies. Their praise is loud and sincere—but it is also fragile. Many of those same voices will later cry out, "Crucify him." This sudden shift invites us to examine our own faith. Are we followers of Jesus only when it is easy, when it feels triumphant and uplifting? Or are we willing to remain with him when the path leads to the cross?

Jesus does not reject the crowd's welcome, but he redefines what kingship means. He enters Jerusalem not on a war horse, but on a donkey—a symbol of humility and peace. His mission is not domination, but self-giving love. This is made fully clear in the Passion. Jesus does not resist arrest, does not retaliate, does not defend himself with violence. Instead, he empties himself completely, remaining faithful to the Father even in suffering and abandonment.

In the Passion narrative, we see different responses to Jesus. Judas betrays him. Peter denies him. The disciples scatter. Pilate hesitates but ultimately chooses convenience over truth. The crowd turns against him. These responses mirror our own lives. At times, we are courageous and faithful. At other times, we fail, we turn away, or we remain silent when we should speak. Palm Sunday reminds us that discipleship is not about perfection, but about perseverance about returning to Jesus again and again, even after we fall.

One of the most striking elements of the Passion is Jesus' trust. Even as he suffers, he entrusts himself to the Father. His cry from the cross is not one of despair, but a prayer—a reaching out to God in the darkest moment. This teaches us that faith does not remove suffering, but it transforms it. In our own struggles, we are not alone. Christ has gone before us, and he walks with us. As we enter Holy Week, we are invited not to remain spectators, but to participate. Let us walk with Jesus this week—faithfully, humbly, and with open hearts. *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 office : 416 466 7815 / 416 518 0276.



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Holy Week Schedule



**Lenten Retreat and Confessions: March 28: Saturday:
10 am: Lenten Talk & 11 am: Adoration & Confessions**

March 28: Palm Sunday Vigil Mass at 5 pm

March 29: Palm Sunday Mass at 10 am

April 02: Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Last supper at 7 pm

Adoration till Midnight

April 03: Good Friday

Stations of the Cross at 2 pm

Passion of the Lord at 3 pm

April 04: Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at 7pm

April 05: Easter Sunday Mass at 10 am

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT: Join us for a Day of Recollection



led by Sr. Donata Farbaniec of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, which is the same religious order that St. Faustina was a part of.

\$50 fee includes lunch, and you can register in our Parish Office. "For more info, email: office@holyroary.ca.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF CHRIST : MARCH 29, 2026



The Pope's Monthly Intentions for March 2026:

For Disarmament and Peace:

Let us pray that nations move to effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament & that world leaders choose the path of dialogue & diplomacy instead of violence.



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.



Confirmation Sessions: March 29 & April 12.

All candidates preparing for Confirmation are required to attend the classes after the Sunday 10:00 a.m. mass and we request everyone to be present without fail.



First Communion: All children who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist are required to attend Sunday Mass regularly.



WEEKEND COLLECTION:

March 21-22, 2026: \$ 1,063.35

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A Big thanks to Knights of Columbus, Council 9079.



† MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 29 : Palm Sunday

10:00 am : † Nida Villarina

Req. St. Joseph Parish

† Edrick Luke Tumaneng

Req. Edna Tumaneng

† Jeffrey Tan & Johnwell

Req. Jocelyn Salvador

Monday, March 30 : NO MASS

Tuesday, March 31 :

9:00 am : † Laura Fonces

Req. Fatima Arruda

Wednesday, April 01 :

7:00 pm : †

Req.

Thursday, April 02: Holy Thursday

7.00 pm : † Luis & Puring Bersola

Req. Bersola Family

Friday, April 03: Good Friday

Saturday, April 04: Easter Vigil

7:00 pm: St. Joseph Parish Community

PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The Easter Triduum—which begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, reaching its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday, is the summit of the Liturgical Year. It commemorates **Christ's Paschal Mystery**, i.e., the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

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