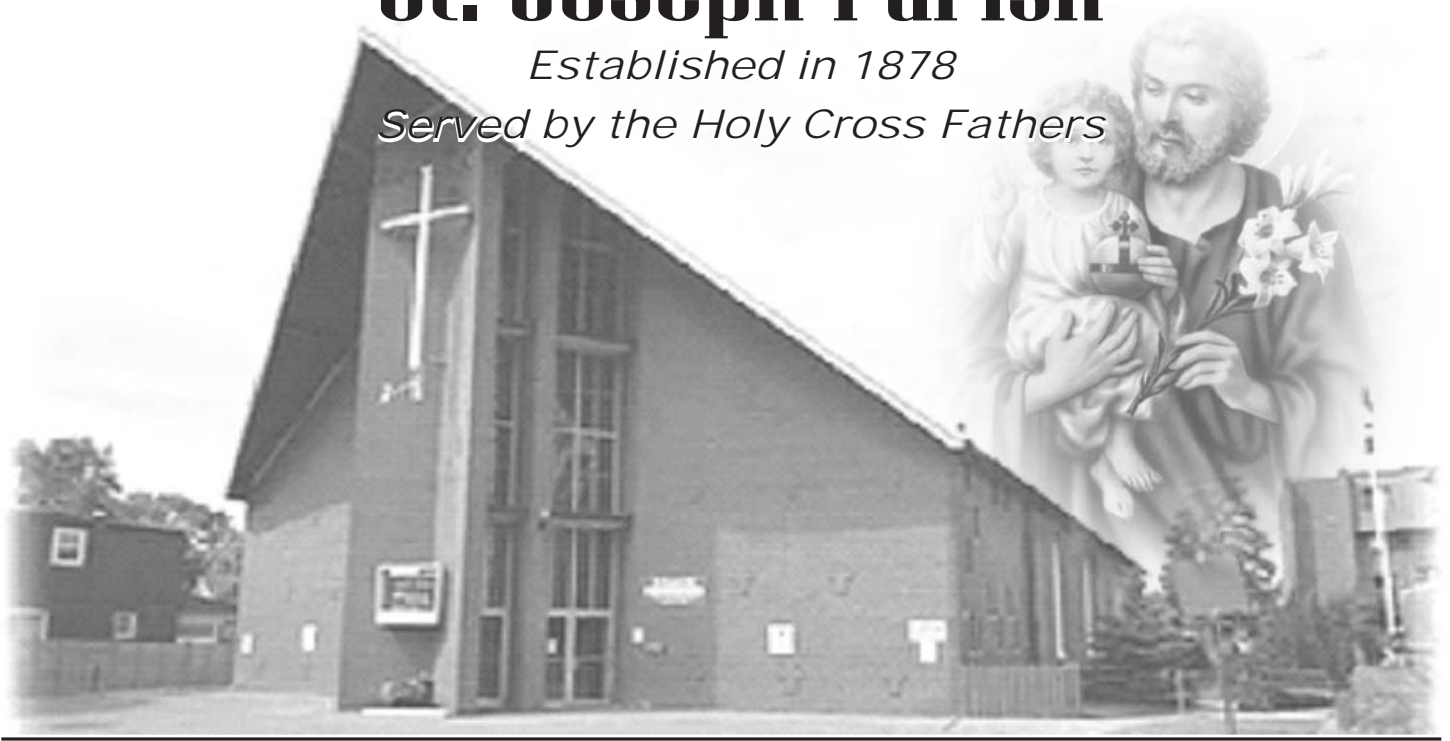


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**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Nerie Bernal  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**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  
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Parish Council

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Girl Guides

*If you feel called to  
serve the church  
through any of these  
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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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# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER : APRIL 19, 2026



*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



The Sunday gospel passage of **Luke 24:13-35**—the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus—is one of the richest Resurrection narratives in the Gospel. A Catholic reflection often centers on how Christ meets us in confusion, reveals Himself through Scripture, and is fully recognized in the Eucharist.

**1. Christ walks with us even when we don't recognize Him:**

The two disciples are leaving Jerusalem discouraged, thinking their hope in Jesus has failed. Yet the risen Christ draws near and walks with them—unrecognized. This reflects a deeply Catholic understanding of grace: God is present and active even when we are spiritually blind or disheartened. Like them, we often fail to see Christ in our daily struggles, but He is never absent.

**2. The "Liturgy of the Word" – hearts burning through Scripture:**

Jesus explains the Scriptures to them, showing how all of salvation history points to Him. The disciples later say, "Were not our hearts burning within us?" This moment mirrors the first part of the Mass—the Liturgy of the Word—where Christ speaks to us through Scripture. The Church teaches that Sacred Scripture is not just informative, but transformative: it opens our minds and sets our hearts on fire when received with faith.

**3. The "Liturgy of the Eucharist" – recognizing Him in the breaking of the bread:**

The turning point comes when Jesus takes bread, blesses it, breaks it, and gives it to them. Their eyes are opened, and they recognize Him. Then He vanishes. Catholic tradition sees this as a clear Eucharistic revelation. The same actions—take, bless, break, give—are used at the Last Supper and at every Mass. The disciples recognize Jesus not just intellectually, but sacramentally. This reinforces the Catholic belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist: He is truly encountered there in a unique and intimate way.

**4. Encounter leads to mission Immediately, the disciples return to Jerusalem to share the good news:**

An authentic encounter with the risen Christ always leads outward—it transforms us into witnesses. In Catholic life, this is the movement from Mass to mission: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." When we walk in confusion or suffering, Christ meets us. Even when God seems hidden, He is walking beside you. He speaks through His Word, reveals Himself in the Eucharist, and invites you to recognize Him—and then to go and share that encounter with others.

**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.**



## Archdiocese of Toronto

### Day Retreat for Women:



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**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for April 2026:**  
**For Priests in crisis:** Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



## 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:

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:

April 11-12, 2026: \$ 1, 045.20

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# † MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, April 19 :

10:00 am : † Vicente Ledesma

Req. Perlita Francia

† Domingos Oliveira

Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira

† Mary Margaret & Natasha MacNeil

Req. Pauline MacNeil

## Monday, April 20 : NO MASS

## Tuesday, April 21:

9:00 am :

Req.

## Wednesday, April 22 :

7:00 pm :

Req.

## Thursday, April 23:

9:00 am : † Patrocinia Pascua

Req. Pascua Family

## Friday, April 24:

7:00 pm:

Req.

## Saturday, April 25:

5:00 pm: St. Joseph Parish Community

† Tessie Co Pangga

Req. Emma & Luis Caragan

## PRAYER TO Saint Joseph



St. Joseph, protector and guardian of the Holy Family, we turn to you in our times of need. As a faithful servant and devoted father, you exemplified humility, strength, and unwavering trust in God's plan.

Intercede for us, that we may cultivate these virtues in our own lives and be steadfast in our responsibilities. Help us to embrace our roles with love and dedication, and guide us in our journey of faith, so that we may always seek to fulfill God's will. Amen.

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