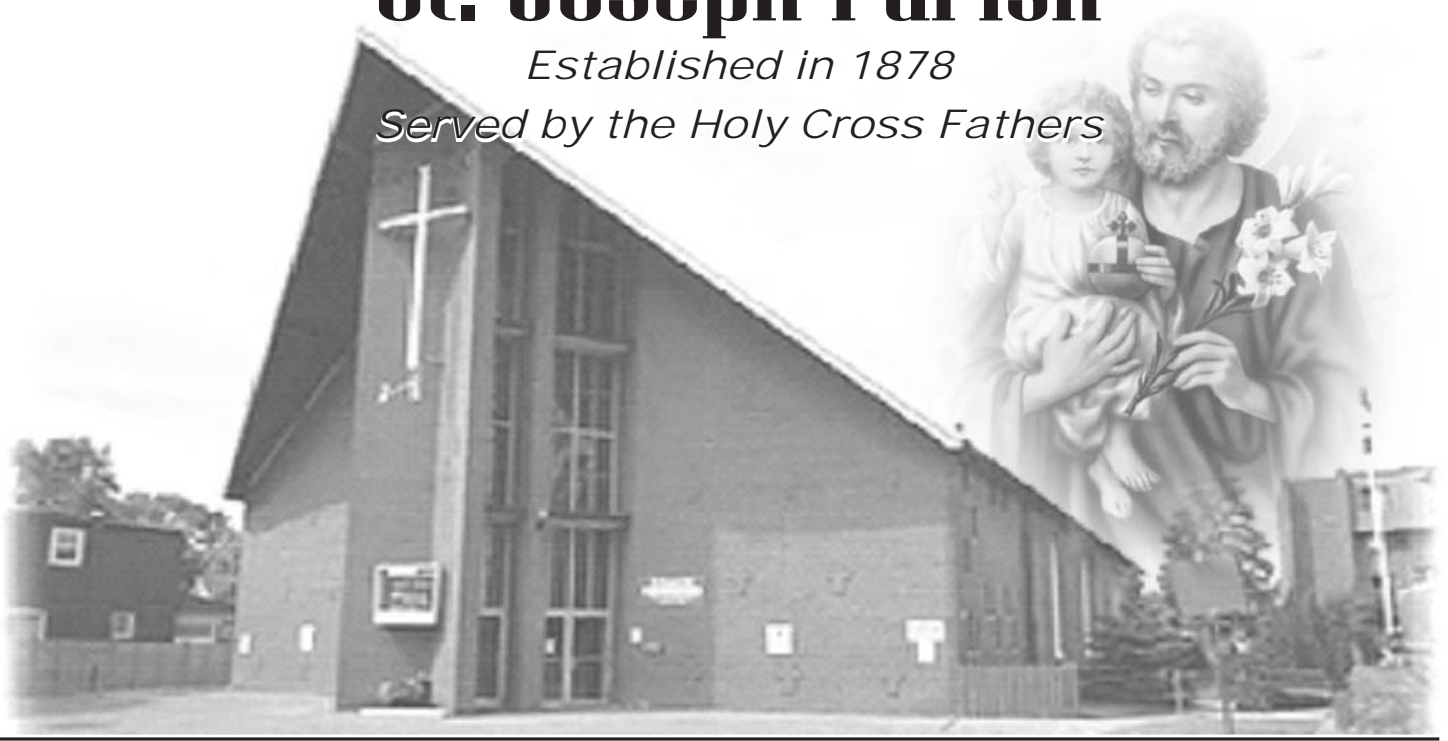


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**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Nerie Bernal  
**Custodian:** Allan Cobham

**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  
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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**Website:** [www.stjosephTO@archtoronto.org](http://www.stjosephTO@archtoronto.org)



## Pentecost Sunday

**Come, Holy Spirit  
and fill the hearts  
of your faithful.**

On Pentecost Sunday, the Church celebrates the fulfillment of Christ's promise to send the Holy Spirit upon His disciples. Fifty days after Easter, the frightened apostles, gathered in prayer with the Blessed Virgin Mary, were transformed by the power of God. The Spirit descended like tongues of fire, and they emerged boldly proclaiming the Gospel to every nation. Pentecost is often called the "birthday of the Church" because from that moment the mission of Christ began to spread throughout the world.

The readings for Year A invite us to reflect on the presence and action of the Holy Spirit in our lives. In the first reading from Acts 2:1–11, people from many nations hear the apostles speaking in their own languages. This miracle reminds us that the Gospel is meant for everyone. God's Spirit breaks barriers of fear, division, race, and language. The Holy Spirit creates unity without destroying diversity. Each person remains unique, yet all are drawn into one body in Christ.

In the Gospel from John 20:19–23, the risen Jesus appears to the disciples who are hiding behind locked doors. They are afraid, discouraged, and uncertain about the future. Jesus greets them with peace and breathes on them, saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit." This moment echoes the creation story in Genesis when God breathed life into Adam. Through the Spirit, the disciples receive new life and a new mission. Fear gives way to courage, confusion to clarity, and weakness to strength.

Pentecost challenges us to ask whether we truly allow the Holy Spirit to work within us. Many Catholics live as though faith is only a tradition or obligation, yet the Spirit desires to make our relationship with God living and dynamic. The gifts of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord—are not abstract ideas. They are spiritual realities given to help us live holy lives in an often troubled world.

The Spirit also calls us to mission. We may not preach before crowds like St. Peter, but we are still witnesses to Christ through our words, actions, and choices. A parent teaching a child to pray, a student defending truth, a worker acting with integrity, or a person forgiving an enemy—all become signs of the Holy Spirit's presence. Evangelization begins not with perfection but with openness to God. Pentecost is also a reminder that the Church cannot survive on human effort alone. Programs, plans, and structures are not enough. The Church is alive because the Holy Spirit continues to guide, renew, and sanctify her. God Bless;

**Fr. Roshan Loy D'Souza, CSC.**

*From the  
Pastor's  
Desk*



**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



**CENTENNIAL GALA: 100: MARTYR'S SHRINE**

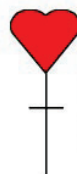
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**EMAIL: [communications@martyrs-shrine.com](mailto:communications@martyrs-shrine.com)**



## Engagement Encounter

**Friday, June 05, 2026 07:00**

**PM - Sunday, June 07, 2026**

**02:00 PM 1617 Blythe Road,**

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Engaged Encounter is a week-end program for couples who are preparing for marriage. For more information and details, please contact us via email at: **[office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca) or phone at: (905)278-5229.**



The Archdiocese of Toronto invites you to **A Day With Mary** on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at Villanova College in King City. Contact: **[events@archtoronto.org](mailto:events@archtoronto.org)**

# PENTECOST SUNDAY : MAY 24, 2026



## The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May 2026:

**That Everyone Might Have Food:** Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



## 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 Schedule:** June 6, 2026 –Saturday - Parent's Meeting / Practice & Confession at 11:00 am .  
June 20, 2026 Saturday 10:00 am Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.



**First Communion Schedule:** June 6, 2026—Parent's Meeting & Confession at 10:00 am Saturday. June 27, 2026 – Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10:00 am Saturday.



**WEEKEND COLLECTION:**  
May 16-17, 2026: \$ 1,103.70

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# † MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, May 24:

10:00 am : † Francisco Medeiros & Maria Noemia

Req. Emmanuel Medeiros

† Hilda Arrarte

Req. Arrarte Family

**Victoria & Christopher Birthday & Family Intentions**

Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira

## Monday, May 25: NO MASS

## Tuesday, May 26:

9:00 am : **Thanksgiving for the Gift of Life**

Req. Nerie Bernal

## Wednesday, May 27:

7:00 pm : † Gloria & Jose Barbosa

Req. Maria Carmo Oliveira

† Eduardo Del Rosario

Req. Nimpha Del Rosario

## Thursday, May 28:

9:00 am : † Alice Fe Cordero

Req. Angie & Nick Blanco

## Friday, May 29:

7:00 pm:

Req.

## Saturday, May 30:

5:00 pm: **St. Joseph Parish Community**

**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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