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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm **Sunday** 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm, 6:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 am

1st Friday of the month:

7:30 pm Followed by Holy Hour & Benediction

Saturday 9:00 am **Holiday Mondays**

8:30 am Mass only

CONFESSION

Anytime by appointment. **1st Fridays** 6:30 - 7:15 pm **Saturday** 3:15 - 4:15 pm

DEVOTIONS

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mondays at 9:00 am in the Church Followed by Holy Rosary with Cenacle M.M.P.

PARISH OFFICE

Sunday: Closed Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Friday 9 AM - 1 PM

2 PM - 4 PM

(closed for lunch from 1pm - 2pm)

Saturday: 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:

stjosephmi@archtoronto.org

PARISH TEAM

Fr Paul Dobson Parish Priest
Fr Anish Alex Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr George Jurenas Deacon

SACRAMENTS

Baptism Call the parish office or email baptisms@stjosephstreetsville.com **First Holy Communion / Confirmation**

email sacraments.stjosephmi@gmail.com or call 905-826-2766 ext 226

Anointing of the Sick For the ill and elderly. Contact the parish office.

Marriage Couples must contact the parish office (905-826-2766) or by email stjosephmi@archtoronto.org

*** Or refer to our website tab | Sacraments at St. Joseph | at https://stjosephmi.archtoronto.org for more information

MINISTRIES

Catholic Women's League Every 3rd Saturday at 9:30 am.

Rashmy Lobo: cwlrashmy@gmail.com

Divine Mercy Prayer Group Alphonsa Meyn: 416-659-1490

Email: dmpgdurie@gmail.com

Prayer Line: 905-817-1288, elsa_sa@live.com

Knights of Columbus Every 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Contact Grand Knight Antonio D'Souza: 647-323-2797, GK8661@ontariokofc.ca

Legion of Mary For inquiries or to have Our Lady of Fatima statue to visit your home, email stjosephlegionofmary@yahoo.ca

Rosary Apostolate Margaret: 289-914-5747, Aileen: 905-607-6851

St. Joseph's Protectors Pro-life group: stjosephprotectors@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society Call the parish office ext. 3

Youth Ministry Megan ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com

PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Good Voyage 5850 River Grove Ave St. Herbert 5180 Fallingbrook Dr St. Raymond 5735 Whitehorn Ave St. Barbara 1455 Samuelson Cir

NEW PARISHONERS

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or on our website in the Contact Us Tab

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

MAS	<i>5</i> 11	TENTIONS
SAT	09	
4:30	pm†	Beverley Bolster & Family
SUN	10	2 nd Sunday of Advent
8:00	am †	Victor Ceccanese
9:30	am	Pro Popolo
11:00	am †	João Moreira
12:30	Am	In Thanksgiving for Pierre
6:00	pm †	John Gomes
MON	11	
8:30	am †	Afonso Botelho
TUES	12	Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:30	am †	Ruth Bell
WED	13	St. Lucy
8:30	am	In Thanksgiving
THUR	14	St. John of the Cross
8:30	am †	Rose Ceccanese
FRI	15	
8:30	am	Multiple Intentions Mass
SAT	16	
9:00	am	<i>Multiple Intentions Mass</i>

ADVENT CONFESSION SERVICE Tuesday December 12

Starting at 7 pm Visiting priests will assist.
 All parishioners and visitors
 are welcome

www.vocationstoronto.ca

John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son.
In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son.

If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

Smile for the week
What kind of music do mummies like?

Answer

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today the Gospel introduces the figure of St. John the Baptist. The Baptist was not like the zealots. His preaching did not prepare anyone for war, except for the war against dehumanizing sin. He wanted only to prepare people for the coming of Almighty God into their midst. Would they be ready? Would they know Him when He arrived? Would they listen to His voice and teaching?

Well, it is thanks to John's faithful ministry that some at least were. Some of his own followers became the first to follow Our Lord, including St. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. They had learned so much from John that they were able to recognise Jesus as the Christ, the Messiah, the true fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecies.

John's preaching was to "prepare a way for the Lord" by making "His paths straight". The winding paths are those which we cannot see far along, in which we take refuge as in half-truths. Similarly, John was called to fulfill Isaiah's prophecy as the forerunner by "filling in every valley and laying low every mountain". These are not the valleys and mountains of geography, but of the human soul.

John called his hearers to look into their hearts and souls and see where the ruggedness of selfishness and sin kept God out. Repentance would put an end to that and make them ready for Christ. That is why John's message is not for his time only, but speaks to every time, including our own. ~ Fr. Paul Dobson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH SPIRITUAL WALK-IN MINISTRY - free

With Deacon George Thursdays 5 - 8 pm. By appointment Register using QR code Or https://bit.ly/3YDCZpc or drop-in.



ST. JOSEPH MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE 2024

Registration and course fee payment (\$200 per couple) at the parish office begins December 9th and you will be provided with your course materials and full details at that time. The course will comprise of two parts:

1st **half** is an online video component to be completed by March 22. Bring the notice of completion with you to the 2nd half.

2nd **half** is an in-person weekend component at St Joseph on Friday, April 12th: 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm and Sat, April 13th: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10/11, 2024

Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass at 3:00 PM at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto) to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. Please visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage for more info and to register.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH YOUTH GROUPS

LifeTeen: for grades 9-12 | Edge: for grades 6-8

Info or to register email Megan at ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com.

MINISTRIES

ShareLife UPDATE: Your gift will be matched! Until Dec 31, double the impact of your gift because it will be matched by an anonymous donor up to \$500,000. Help families in need, including those nourished through ShareLife's recently announced food programs. Use a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Upcoming Events Vita Centre Donation Drive

In support of Vita Centre, collecting baby items (formula, bottles, baby food, diapers, wipes and clothing). Please place items in the crib at the front entrance or contact **gk8661@ontariokofc.ca** for monetary donations.

Nativity Scene Contest is back! Take a picture of your nativity scene and email to kofc8661@gmail.com by Saturday December 23rd to win a prize. Include your name and phone number in the email.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Upcoming Events

CWL Annual Angel Sales - Blessed Angel's are now available on sale after Sunday Mass. Cost is \$5.

All sale proceeds are sent to the charities we support.

The Mission Angels clothing drive to help in their service to the poor and homeless. Needed are new socks and underwear for both adult males and females and new or gently used hoodies, sweatshirts and sweatpants. Please place all donations in the blue bins at the church entrances. Donations will be collected until December 10th, 2023.

AROUND THE ARCH

BEREAVEMENT RETREAT Saturday December 16 For men and Women at QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL

CENTRE (1617 Blythe Road Mississauga Facilitated by: Anne Hales & Betty Dotzko. Registration at 8:30 A.M. and includes coffee / tea with muffins and a hot lunch. COST: \$45 by Cash, Cheque, Visa or Mastercard. Phone: 905 278 5229 Email: office@goa.ca

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For info take a flyer at both entrances.



St. Joseph Parish Mass Schedule CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR 2023 - 2024

Sunday Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023 8:00 am | 11:00 am | (English Only)

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24, 2023 4:00 pm | 6:00 pm | 8:00 pm | 12:00 midnight (English Only)

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25, 2023

8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:00 am (English Only) ***NO 12:30 pm & 6:00 pm Mass***

St. Stephen. The First Martyr

Tuesday, December 26, 2023 8:30 am

St. John, The Apostle

Wednesday, December 27, 2023 8:30 am

The Holy Innocents

Thursday, December 28, 2023 8:30 am

St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr

Friday, December 29, 2023 8:30 am

Saturday December 30, 2023

Morning 9:00 am | Sunday Vigil 4:30 pm

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sunday, December 31, 2023 8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:00 am | 12:30 pm 4:30 pm - NEW YEAR'S EVE Mass ***NO 6:00 pm Mass***

FORMED December 10 2023 PICK OF THE WEEK



Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message Narrated by Jim Caviezel Traces the history of this transformative event from 16th century to the present. Featuring interviews with

leading theologians, historians, and experts on the scientific inquiries into the miraculous image, this gripping film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image, and the continued relevance of the Guadalupe apparition to the modern world.

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Search for St. Joseph Parish Mississauga with Parish code V9WRHN and register with your email.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Meetings Wednesdays - 7 pm in the Parish Hall

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