



St. Joseph Parish

Parish Priest: Fr. Marc-André Campbell

Assistant Priest: Fr. Neiman Andre D'Souza

Deacons: Lionel Gomes & George Jurenas

Baptism

By appointment and after the preparation class.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(for appointment call Parish Office)

Fridays: 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Saturdays: 4:15 - 5:15 p.m.

Sundays: 15 minutes before each Mass.

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with those who are seriously ill, or those enfeebled by old age. We invite those who wish to celebrate the sacrament, to notify the office to make arrangements.

Marriage

Parishioners planning to be married must contact a priest a year in advance.

Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Mondays at 8:30 a.m. Marian Cenacle on Mondays at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Masses

Saturday : 5:30 p.m.

Sunday : 8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday : 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m.

Friday : 7:30 p.m.

followed by a Holy Hour & Benediction

Saturday : 9:00 a.m.

Holiday Mondays : 8:30 a.m. only

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Office Hours :

Monday to Friday : 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday : 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday : 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sacramental Coordinator:

Can be reached at ext 226 or
email sacraments.streetsville@gmail.com

New Parishioners

Please complete the registration form available in the Church Office or on our website.

Church Parking

Please make full use of our parking lot. Please note that parking in the designated fire route is illegal and the city parking authorities regularly inspect our parking lot.

Rosary Apostolate

Contacts: Margaret Stanley: 289-914-5747 or Aileen Haig: 905-607-6851

Visit our elementary schools to teach and pray the Rosary with children.

Catholic Women's League

Contact: Marylin Lobo - (905) 997-2707 Email: cwlstjoseph.parish@gmail.com

Meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Mass at 9:00 a.m. Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: Carlos Elizondo (647) 702-2042 Email: gk@kofc8661.ca

Meetings are held on every 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Meets every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Everyone is welcome. Prayer Line: Elsa Sa - (905) 817-1288

Clotilda Fernandes - (905) 812-9569, Lea Lobo - (905) 820-1281 and

Irene D'Silva - (905) 821-2915 Email: dmpgdurie@gmail.com

Legion of Mary - Meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Call the parish office or email: stjosephlegionofmary@yahoo.ca if you want

Our Lady of Fatima Statue to visit your home.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Please call the Parish Office.

Portuguese Charismatic Prayer Group

Meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

St. Joseph's Protectors (Pro-life group)

Genevieve Carson - (416) 888-0251 or righttolife@gmail.com

Parish Schools

Our Lady of Good Voyage	5850 River Grove Avenue	(905) 567-8422	St. Barbara	1455 Samuelson Circle	(905) 696-8860
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St. Herbert	5180 Fallingbrook Drive	(905) 858-1171	St. Joseph	249 Church Street	(905) 826-4422
St. Raymond	5735 Whitehorn Avenue	(905) 286-1010	St. Joseph's S.S.	5555 Creditview Road	(905) 812-1376
St. Marcellinus SS	730 Courtney Park Drive West	(905) 564-6614	St. Julia	6770 Historic Trail	(905) 795-2706

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions

Monday, December 5 7:00 am 8:30 am	† Helena & Jan Sliwinski † Antonio Pavao & Conceico Ramos
Tuesday, December 6 7:00 am 8:30 am	In Thanksgiving Special Intention
Wednesday, December 7 7:00 am 8:30 am	<i>St. Ambrose</i> † Petra Santos † Arthur & Ruby Biffis
Thursday, December 8 7:00 am 8:30 am 7:30 pm	<i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> † Ray Zakka † Grace Graham Those who pray for the unborn
Friday, December 9 7:00 am 8:30 am 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	† Joseph Berchfold † Aurelia Estacio † Flavio & Benito Comarin † Vincent Francica HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION
Saturday, December 10 9:00 am	† Virgilio Correia & Family † Francisco & Titania Padua

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Wednesday December 7, St. Ambrose, elected bishop of Milan in 37. His literary works have been acclaimed as masterpieces of Latin eloquence, and his musical accomplishments are remembered in his hymns. Ambrose is also remembered as the teacher who converted and baptized St. Augustine of Hippo, the great Christian theologian, and as a model bishop who viewed the church as rising above the ruins of the Roman Empire.

Thursday December 8, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Blessed Pope Pius IX proclaimed on December 8, 1854: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin." — Catechism of the Catholic Church.



A SOLEMN HIGH MASS IN HONOUR OF:

The Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Virgin Mary

Will be held HERE AT St Joseph Parish
on Thursday, December 8 at 7:30 pm.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Confissões em Português will be at St. Joseph on
Sunday December 4th at 3:00 pm.
Domingo 4th Dezembro às 3 da tarde.

St. John of the Cross	December 12 from 7 pm
St. Joseph Parish	December 13 from 7 pm
Merciful Redeemer	December 14 from 7 pm
St. Francis Xavier	December 15 from 7 pm

TO MEET JESUS, WE MUST GO ON THE JOURNEY

The Christian faith is not a theory or a philosophy – it is the encounter with Jesus. In the prayer at the beginning of the Mass, the Liturgy points out three attitudes: vigilance in prayer, industriousness in charity, and exultant in praise. That is, I must pray, with vigilance. I must be hardworking in charity – fraternal charity, not only giving alms, no; but being tolerant of the people who annoy me, being tolerant at home of the children when they make too much noise; or of the husband or wife when they are difficult; or the mother-in-law... I don't know... but tolerant: tolerant... charity, always, but hard-working. And also the joy of praising the Lord: 'Exulting in joy.' That is how we must live this journey, this desire to encounter the Lord. To encounter Him in a good way. Not standing still. And we will encounter the Lord.

The Lord, too, "does not stand still." "I am on a journey to encounter Him, and He is on a journey to encounter me, and when we meet one another we see that the great surprise is that He was seeking me before I began to seek Him." The Lord always goes before us in the encounter, this "is the great surprise of the encounter with the Lord: He sought us first. He is always first. He makes His journey in order to find us." We take one step and He takes ten. Always. The abundance of grace, of His love, of His tenderness is that never tires of seeking us. We must have the "desire to encounter Him, "and then He "helps us." The Lord, "will accompany us during our life. Although many times, perhaps, we seem to be far from Him, "He waits for us like the father of the prodigal son."

Faith does not consist in knowing dogmas, but in encountering Jesus. "This is the important thing! The encounter." Pope Benedict had said, "that the faith is not a theory, a philosophy, an idea; it is an encounter. An encounter with Jesus." If, on the other hand, "one has not encountered His mercy," it would be possible even "recite the Creed from memory" without necessarily having faith".

The doctors of the Law knew all the dogmas, all the morals, everything. They did not have faith, because their hearts were far from God; drawing away or having the will to go forward to encounter. And this is the grace that we ask for today: 'O God, our Father, raise up in us the desire to meet your Christ,' with good works. And for this we remember the grace that we have asked in prayer, with vigilance in prayer, industriousness in charity, and exulting in praise. And so we will encounter the Lord and we will have a very beautiful surprise.

~from Pope Francis homily November 28, 2016



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We congratulate the families of:

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Olivia Emily Hrbacek Mathieu Ouellette



As they are welcomed into the community of faith.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for December 2016

Universal: End to Child-Soldiers

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Evangelization: Collaboration of Priests and Laity

That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.



COFFEE HOUR FOR DECEMBER



Will be **Tuesday December 6th**, following the 8:30am Mass. Come join us for treats and fellowship!

ADVENT CONCERT

Our free annual Advent Parish Concert, featuring all of our parish choirs, will be held on **Saturday December 10th at 7:30 pm**. Join us as our exceptional choirs help us appreciate this very special season of Advent and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.



ST. JOSEPH DIONATION ENVELOPES



For 2017 are in the parish hall. Please pick yours up as soon as possible. Also write your name on your envelope for the month of January.

MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

Once again, this year, we are hosting a luncheon for Parkdale residents in the care of the Missionaries of Charity Sisters. We have boxes out at both entrances of the church for donations of items that will be included in gift bags to be handed out to our special guests. **Donations requested are NEW NEVER USED: Toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo and feminine products.** Please drop donations off in the boxes set out in the front and back entrances to the church. *Thank you for your help!*

TREE OF HOPE ANGELS



Tree of Hope Angel Ornaments will be on sale this weekend (December 3/4). They are \$5 each. The proceeds are used to support The Human Family in Christ charity.

NEW MEN'S GROUP – MERCY CORP

Calling Fathers, Husbands and Sons to foster spiritual growth and engage in Corporal Works of for adoration, reconciliation and fraternity. Join us every 4th Saturday at 9:30am in the church and 10:00am in the basement meeting room; our next meeting is December 17th.

FURNITURE NEEDED !

St Vincent de Paul has been contacted by Family needing furniture:

- One 3 seat sofa
- One matching chair or loveseat
- 2 Chest of drawers

Donations must be in good shape. If you have an item you would like to donate please call 905-826-2766 ext 3.



DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Our weekly Prayer Meetings are finished for 2016 but will resume **Wednesday, January 4, 2017** at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall

HOLY MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS

Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 7 p.m. in the Church.
Mass Celebrant: Fr. Ben St. Croix.

YOUTH SACRAMENTAL CALENDAR



Registration for **First Holy Communion** and the **Sacrament of Confirmation.**

Is Now Closed

No late registrations will be accepted



Sponsor forms can be submitted to the parish anytime between now and January 20th, 2017.

YOUTH MINISTRY

SACRED HEART OF JESUS & IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



Sundays in our upstairs meeting room. **Next meeting will be January 22nd 2017**

Do you play an instrument or sing?
- consider joining our youth band.

Contact Liann at liannalmeida04@yahoo.ca

** You can complete volunteer hours with this Youth ministry.**

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

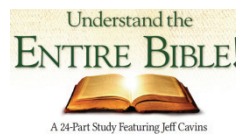
The Canadian Goan Christian Group will be hosting a complementary "Keep Christ in Christmas" event featuring Advent Carols and a heart to heart conversation on the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. The event will be held at *St. Clement's Church, 409 Markland Drive, Etobicoke, M9C 1S5* on **Sunday Dec.11 from 2pm to 5 pm** followed by a tea reception in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION



The annual special collection for SVDP, our wonderful group that assists our less fortunate brothers and sisters will be next weekend, December 10/11. Last Christmas SVDP provided Christmas gift baskets and assistance for 200 families as well as providing ongoing assistance throughout the year to those in need. Use the special St Vincent de Paul envelope (yellow) from your envelope box or put your donation in the SVDP envelopes in the pews marked with your name & address if you wish a tax receipt. ***Your support is needed and greatly appreciated!***

BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND !

Because our bible studies have been so successful we have been asked to run the foundational study – The Bible Timeline – once again. This Catholic Bible study helps make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. The study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and brings you deep into each period of salvation history, so that you can discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. The Bible Timeline has helped hundreds of thousands of people to have a better understand the Bible and a deeper relationship with Christ, and it will help you too. This 24 session study will run Monday nights from **7 pm to 9 pm in the Church hall beginning January 16th, 2017**. The study features group discussions and video presentations by Jeff Cavins. For more info or to register drop by the office or email Michele@stjosephsstreetsville.com

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