# St. Pius X Parish

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#### **Pastoral Staff**

Fr. Massillamani Zacharias (Fr. Mani), **Pastor** Michelle Somers, **Parish Secretary** 

#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 5 pm Sunday 9 am and 11 am

### **Weekday Masses**

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am

#### **Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer**

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

### Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am Thursday

# Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every first Friday of the month at 9 am following 8:30 am Mass

# **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**Saturdays 4 pm to 4:30 pm or by appointment

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Register online at www.saintpiusx.ca/baptism, or call or email the office for more information

#### **Sacrament of Marriage**

1 year advance notice is required. Call or email the office for an appointment

### Parish Ministries/Organizations

- Altar Servers
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Ushers/Greeters
- Musicians
- Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation
- Finance Council
- Catholic Women's League

#### School

St. Pius X Catholic School 71 Jane Street Tel: 416-393-5237

#### **New and Current Parishioners**

We invite you to join our Parish family by registering with the parish office at www.saintpiusx.ca or by contacting the Office

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PIUS X PARISH IN YOUR WILL



#### Saturday, November 11

5pm + Rena Riley

#### Sunday, November 12

9am + Custodio Rodrigues

11am Parishioners

#### Tuesday, November 14

8:30am Souls in Purgatory

#### Wednesday, November 15

8:30am + Helen Klemencic

#### Thursday, November 16

8:30am

- + Simplicia Abreu
- + Luz Pulido
- + Rhodora Yurick
- + Carmen & Marcellino Sr.
- + Romualdo Candelerio
- + Natalia Carvalho

#### Friday, November 17

8:30am + Mary Marolt

#### 32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16
Psalm: Ps 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

# The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Intentions of:

Mary Ann Dunphy – October & November Marie-Thérèse Sophoulis – December Marthese Fenech – January 2024

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

# The Foolish Will Miss Heaven's Wedding Feast

Are we missing out on what's most important in life? Being unprepared can lead to unnecessary trouble and even disaster! What good is a life jacket left on the shore when the boat is sinking?

Jesus' story of ten single ladies waiting for a wedding procession in the middle of the night seems strange to most westerners today. But Jesus' audience knew all too well how easily this could happen to them. To show up for a wedding party without proper attire and travel arrangements is like trying to get into a special event today that requires a prearranged permit or reservation. We just don't get in without the proper pass. Can we imagine the frustration travelers might experience when going abroad and finding out that they can't get into some country because they don't have the right visa or a valid passport?

Jesus warns us that there are consequences for being unprepared. There are certain things we cannot obtain at the last moment. For example, students cannot prepare for their exams when the day of testing is already upon them. A person cannot get the right kind of character, strength, and skill required for a task at hand unless they already possess it, such as a captain with courage and nautical skills who must steer a ship through a dangerous storm at sea.

When the Lord Jesus comes to lead us to his heavenly banquet will we be ready to hear his voice and follow? Our eternal welfare depends on our hearing, and many have trained themselves to not hear. We will not be prepared to meet the Lord, face to face, when he calls us on the day of judgment, unless we listen to him today. The Lord invites us to feast at his heavenly banquet table. Are we ready?

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# All Souls Memorial Box & Book of Remembrance

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. You are welcome to write the name(s) of your loved one(s) in our book of remembrance after Mass and place your "All Souls" offertory envelope in the memorial offertory basket available to you at the front of the altar.

#### **Remember Your Loved Ones**

For the month of November, parishioners are invited to bring in the Funeral Cards of their loved ones. Fr. Mani will place them in front of the altar for your prayers.

#### 2024 Missal

Missals for the 2024 liturgical year are available in the church lobby before Mass for purchase for \$5 each.

Do You Have Gifts of Time and Talent?

We want to start a **Building Committee** for the Parish. The Committee would advise Fr. Mani with respect to necessary capital and maintenance projects. If you have skills in general contracting, the trades, building, and/or project management, please call the office and speak with Fr. Mani.

We are also recruiting one or two additional members for the parish's **Finance Council**. If you have skills in the business, legal, entrepreneurial, marketing, fundraising or HR arenas and would like to contribute your time, please call the office and speak with Fr. Mani.

#### **Special Collection**

The Shepherd's Trust is a fund for the care of retired diocesan priests, and so we "care for those who always cared for us." Please give to this fund and learn more at www.shepherdstrust.org.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

The St. Pius X Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has decided to suspend its charitable operations effective December 31,

2023. Donors will receive tax receipts for donations made up to the end of the year. For more information, please see the notice on the church lobby bulletin board.



#### Christmas Bazaar Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

St. Pius X Catholic Women's League Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 18, 2023, from 10 am to 2 pm in the Church Hall.

Items for sale include baked goods, new gifts, Christmas decorations, knitted goods, and jewellery. There will also be a wine raffle.

Donations of homemade baked goods can be dropped off in the Church Hall on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> between 5 pm and 8 pm, or on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> before the bazaar. Please note if your baking contains nuts.

All proceeds from the Bazaar will go to charity. Please come out and support this event with your family and friends. Do some early Christmas shopping and share in the St. Pius X community spirit over a cup of coffee.

#### FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

#### Three Ways to Register --

- 1. scan this QR code:
- 2. follow this QR link:

https://QRCO.de/nov18

3. send an email to:

<u>Development@ArchToronto.org</u> and write "webinar Nov 18" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



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