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New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please register by filling out a form available at the back of the church or online.

Sacrament of Baptism

The desire for Baptism for a child must be accompanied by a very serious commitment to raise the child within the Catholic faith community and to educate the child in the truths of the church. An essential part of the commitment is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. Baptisms are held on the 4th Sunday of every month. Please contact the parish office for a Baptismal package.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married should contact the parish one year in advance. They must also attend a Marriage Preparation Course prior to entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil divorce or religious marriage with another person, please notify the priest as soon as possible as the priest is not permitted to set a wedding date until the Bishop's Office has been contacted.

Sacrament of the Sick

In this Sacrament we celebrate Christ's healing presence among us today. If you, a relative or friend, require this Sacrament at home or nursing home, please call the parish office. For your spiritual needs during a hospital stay, the Archdiocese of Toronto has assigned a full time Roman Catholic Chaplain to each of the two Mississauga hospitals. For the Chaplain, speak to the Nurses' Desk or call the Spiritual Care Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
Every 2nd & 4th Friday: 7:30 PM
(or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Daily: 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MASS

Sunday Eucharist
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (fulfills the Sunday obligation)
Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 NOON
Children's Liturgy at: 10:00 a.m. Mass

Weekday Eucharist
Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:00 AM

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour
Fridays (excluding holidays) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday during Mass
Rosary Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 6:40

Divine Mercy
Fridays (excluding holidays) 3:00 PM

PARISH LIFE

Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM) 905-822-8132
Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua) 416-804-3457
Ministry of Consolation & Hope 905-822-8132 ext. 3
RCIA 905-822-8132 ext. 4
St. Vincent de Paul 905-822-8132 ext. 5
Catholic Cemeteries 416-733-8544

SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi 905-822-3183
St. Margaret of Scotland 905-820-5115
Christ the King 905-569-0220

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 20, 2019

“Jesus manifested his glory at Cana”



Do you recognize the glory and presence of the Lord Jesus in your life? God often reveals his glory to us in the unlikeliest of places - in a cold stable at Bethlehem, at a village wedding party in Cana, on a bloody cross at Golgatha, or on the road to Emmaus. In today's Gospel reading we see the first public sign and miracle which Jesus performed. The Lord Jesus brought great blessing and joy to a newly wed couple and their wedding party. First by his presence, and second by saving them from embarrassment when the wine ran out. Changing water into wine was a remarkable act of kindness; but giving the best to last was unnecessary and unheard of. In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God (Deuteronomy 7:13; Proverbs 3:10, Psalm 105:). That Jesus would miraculously produce 120 gallons of the best wine (many times more than needed) shows the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer.

This miracle signifies the "new rich wine" of the Gospel and it points to the "wine of the new covenant" and the "bread of life" which Jesus provides for his disciples in the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in his glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose that we, too, might be raised up and glorified with him. Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life and blessings he offers to you?

"Heavenly Father, you have revealed your glory in our Lord Jesus Christ. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may bring you glory in all that I do and say."

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

We thank you for your contributions to the Church in 2018 and advise you that income tax receipts will be issued in February 2019. In order to receive an income tax receipt for contributions to the Church, we strongly suggest you take a box of Offertory Envelopes each year. Offertory Envelopes for 2019 are located at the back of the Church. Brochures outlining our Pre-Authorized Giving Plan and Parish Registration forms are also available at the back of the Church.

IMPORTANT NOTICE Weekday Mass Attendees

Please note that Fr. Bernard will be away from the parish from January 21 to January 25 inclusive. Weekday Masses will not be celebrated on these days.

HELPING OUR NEIGHBOURS IN NEED



The Knights of Columbus will be accepting non-perishable food items after Masses on January 26/27 and February 2/3. Our collected food will be delivered, sorted and stocked by the Knights at Eden Food for Change, our neighbourhood food bank serving those in need in our very own Erin Mills community. Thank you for your support.

FAITH & REASON LECTURE

The Newman Centre is hosting a lecture entitled "The Beauty of God's Creation Through the Eyes of a Molecular Biologist." The guest speaker is Sister Stephen Patrick, a Dominican Sister of Mary who holds a PhD in Biology from the Catholic University of America. Thurs., January 24, 2019 at the Newman Centre. Register at <https://newmanjan24.eventbrite.ca>.

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

MONDAY, JANUARY 21 – 7:00 P.M.

No Mass

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22 – 8:00 A.M.

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23 – 7:00 P.M.

No Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24 – 8:00 A.M.

No Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 – 7:00 P.M.

No Mass

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26 – 5:00 P.M.

S.I. Parish Community

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27 – 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 A.M. + Helen and Bill Yanchus

10:00 A.M. + Dennis Baldin

12:00 P.M. S.I. Beatification of the Servant of God
Alfie Lamb
+ Melwyn Aruja

DAILY READINGS NOW AVAILABLE ON PARISH WEBSITE

Parishioners can now find the Canadian daily readings on the parish website which is found at www.stfrancisofassisimi.archtoronto.org. The Daily Readings tab can be found under the Our Catholic Faith drop-down menu on the archdiocesan and parish websites within the archtoronto.org network

THE LIFE AND WRITINGS OF ST. PAUL

We hear from the letters of St. Paul during Mass throughout the liturgical year. Join us for this workshop and learn about the life of St. Paul, his conversion, his missionary activity and the writing of his letters that were sent to various Christian communities in the first century. January 26 at 9:00 at St. Augustine's Seminary. Call 416-261-7207 for more information.

BIRTHRIGHT CALLING!

Do you have 3 hrs/wk. to dedicate to our unique service? Birthright is a local volunteer organization that works small miracles in the lives of women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy. We work to reduce abortion through love and caring. With community assistance, we help ladies resolve their problems and make good informed choices. Training provided. Please call 905-273-9409 11am-2pm, or email birthright.mississauga@hotmail.com

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
REGISTRATION**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 at 10 a.m.

OR

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 at 10 a.m.

St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall (Basement).

In order to register for Confirmation, please bring the following with you to the meeting:

1. PHOTOCOPY OF THE CANDIDATE'S CATHOLIC BAPTISM CERTIFICATE

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: Please provide the full name and complete address of the Church where you were baptized, especially if you were baptized overseas. If there is a fax number, please include it. This information can be **PRINTED** on the reverse side of the Baptism Certificate

2. \$50 for the Confirmation resource fee

3. The name of your Confirmation Sponsor. A Confirmation Sponsor must fulfill the following conditions:

- a. Confirmed Catholic
- b. 16 years of age or older
- c. Practicing Catholic
- d. Not be the parent of the Candidate

THESE ARE THE ONLY 2 REGISTRATION SESSIONS BEING HELD FOR CONFIRMATION IN 2019. IF YOU MISS THESE SESSIONS, YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION IN 2020.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS
A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE**



As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. The Celebration of Marriage Mass will be at St. Clair of Assisi Church on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 4 p.m. Couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th and 60+ wedding anniversary will be honoured at this special Mass.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

On Sunday, January 27 at 4:30 all are welcome to an Ecumenical Service to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme this year is "Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue". The service will be led by Catholic, Anglican and Orthodox bishops along with leaders from Christian Churches in the GTA. The service will be held at St. James Anglican Cathedral, 160 King St. East, Toronto at 4:30 p.m. For more information call 416-934-3400 ext. 344.

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