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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO

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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 usually held on two Sundays 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 (or by appointment)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 4:00 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

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 7:00 PM
Tuesdays / Thursdays 8:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour

Fridays (excluding holidays) 6:00 PM -6:50 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday during Mass Rosary Wednesday at 6:40

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 31, 2021

Love the Lord with All Your Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength

What is the purpose of God's law or commandments? The Pharisees prided themselves in the knowledge of the law and their ritual requirements. They made it a life-time practice to study the 613 precepts of the Old Testament along with the numerous rabbinic commentaries. They tested Jesus to see if he correctly understood the law as they did. Jesus startled them with his profound simplicity and mastery of the law of God and its purpose.

Our love for God is a response to his exceeding grace and kindness towards us. What does God require of us? Simply that we love as he loves! God is love and everything he does flows from his love for us. God loved us first and our love for him is a response to his exceeding grace and kindness towards us. The love of God comes first and the love of neighbour is firmly grounded in the love of God. The more we know of God's love and truth the more we love what he loves and reject what is hateful and contrary to his will.

What makes our love for God and his commands grow in us? Faith in God and hope in his promises strengthens us in the love of God. They are essential for a good relationship with God, for being united with him. The more we know of God the more we love him and the more we love him the greater we believe and hope in his promises. The Lord, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, gives us a new freedom to love as he loves. Do you allow anything to keep you from the love of God and the joy of serving others with a generous heart? Paul the Apostle says: hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us (Romans 5:5). Do you know the love which conquers all?

We love you, O our God; and we desire to love you more and more. Grant to us that we may love you as much as we desire, and as much as we ought. O dearest friend, who has so loved and saved us, the thought of whom is so sweet and always growing sweeter, come with Christ and dwell in our hearts; that you keep a watch over our lips, our steps, our deeds, and we shall not need to be anxious either for our souls or our bodies. Give us love, sweetest of all gifts, which knows no enemy. Give us in our hearts pure love, born of your love to us, that we may love others as you love us. O most loving Father of Jesus Christ, from whom flows all love, let our hearts, frozen in sin, cold to you and cold to others, be warmed by this divine fire. So help and bless us in your Son. (Prayer of Anselm, 1033-1109)

SUNDAY MASS ON YOUTUBE



Mass is being live streamed on our Parish YouTube Channel on Sunday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m. and every Wednesday at 7pm (preceded by the Rosary at

6:40pm). The link to our parish YouTube channel is: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCokoBfidkSQAZ_Buk3g-bhw?

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET ON FRIDAYS



We have resumed the practice of gathering in St. Francis of Assisi Church for Divine Mercy Chaplet. Since congregational singing is still not permitted, a recorded version of the sung chaplet will

be played. Each participant must wear a face covering and physical distancing (6-feet) between members of different households is required. All are welcome.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – 7:00 P.M.

S.I. Janet Tan

S.I. Elaine Mack

+ Deceased Legionnaries

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - 7:00 P.M.

No Intentions

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – 7:00 P.M.

- + Carmelo Carpino
- + Filomena Legaspi-Valenton
- +Julia Legaspi

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 - 8:30 A.M.

S.I. For an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life and Permanent Diaconate

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – 7:00 P.M.

- + Joseph and Angela Camilleri
- + Gerry and Alice Mayo
- + Victor Gustaw

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6 - 5:00 P.M.

- + Michael Kole
- + Allan Bagnall
- + Victor Gustaw

SUN., NOVEMBER 7 – 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

S.I. Parish Community

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BOOK OF LIFE

Blank Memorial Sheets are available in the vestibule of the Church, to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Completed Memorial Sheets will be placed in the Book of Life to be remembered at Masses during the month of November.

Living the Gospel by supporting the Deaf community

We've all felt the pain of disconnection

since the start of the pandemic. For the Deaf community, the connections severed by the pandemic are even more profound. Many upon. Silent Voice is working to restore those connections. This ShareLife-funded agency is the only one in the area providing virtual programming for Deaf children, among its many services in American Sign Language. Your support of ShareLife is making the connections we need to get through this pandemic together.

Please give generously using a ShareLife envelope at the parish or anytime at sharelife.org.



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION MEETINGS

We will be holding Confirmation Information and registration meetings on the following dates:

Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, November 6 at 10:00 p.m. Please remember to bring a **COPY** of your child's Baptism Certificate.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

All Saints' Day is Thursday, November 1st. Mass will be celebrated at the regular time of 7:00 p.m.

+ The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed is Friday, November 2^{nd} .

PLEASE NOTE: Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m.



Each day until Oct 31, you're invited to join others for 40 days of prayer. Please stand with us in prayers for

life near the Mississauga Women's Clinic at 101 Queensway W. (at Confederation) for one or more hours during the 40 Days. Our parish date is Tuesday, October 26, 2021 from 7am to 7pm. For more info call John Killackey (905) 820-9232 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga.



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