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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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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 24, 2021

"My kingship is not of this world"

Do you recognize that the Lord Jesus has been given all authority and power to reign over heaven and earth? Jesus was crucified for his claim to be the Messiah King, who would rule not only over his people Israel but ultimately over all the nations as well.

What is the significance or meaning of Jesus' kingship for us? Kingship today seems antiquated, especially in democratic societies where everyone is treated equal and free. God at first did not want to give his people Israel a king. Why? Because God alone was their King and they needed no other. Nonetheless, God relented and promised his people that through David's line he would establish a Ruler and a Kingdom that would last for eternity.

The Jews understood that the Messiah ("Anointed One") would come as God's anointed King to restore paradise and establish God's reign of everlasting peace for them. They wanted a Messianic King who would free them from strife and division and from foreign oppression. Many had high hopes that Jesus would be the Messiah and Ruler for Israel. Little did they understand what kind of kingship Jesus claimed to possess.

Jesus came to deliver his people, and the whole world, from the worst kind of tyranny possible - from bondage to sin, condemnation and death, and to free us from Satan's kingdom of deception, oppression, and destruction.

When Satan tempted Jesus during his forty day fast in the wilderness, he offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world. Jesus knew that the world was in Satan's power. The Father sent his only begotten Son into the world, not to condemn it, but to save it through the atoning sacrifice which Jesus would make for us through the shedding of his blood on the cross of Calvary.

As Jesus was dying on the cross, he was mocked for his claim to kingship. Nonetheless, he died not only as King of the Jews, but King of all the nations as well. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world, was accomplished through his death on the cross and his resurrection. Jesus exchanged a throne of glory for a cross of shame to restore us from slavery to sin to glory with God as his adopted sons and daughters.

If we serve the Lord Jesus Christ he will open our eyes to the light of his truth and guide us on the course that leads to our true homeland and security with God. If we follow the course which is set by the world - a world which is opposed to Christ and blinded by Satan - then we will discover that sin, pride, and greed will lead us down a path of destruction, division, and death rather than life, community, and freedom.

Which kingdom will you serve, today and for all eternity? The world which passes away or God's kingdom which lasts for all time? If we accept Jesus Christ as Lord and King we become citizens of an everlasting kingdom which is governed by God's righteousness, peace, and love. Is your life submitted to the Lordship of Jesus Christ?

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 at 3:00 p.m. 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 22 - 7:00 P.M.

- + Jean Zielinski
- + Aroy Sanusi
- S.I. In Thanksgiving

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 – 8:30 A.M.

Intention Available

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – 7:00 P.M.

- + Deceased members of the Goes Family
- + Mervin Sullivan
- + Franca Petrilli

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25 - 8:30 A.M.

S.I. In reparation for sins committed against the Most Holy Eucharist

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26 - 7:00 P.M.

+ Parish All Souls Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 – 5:00 P.M.

- + Carmel Fleming
- + Circuscao and Etelvina Rodrigues
- + Paul Harrison

SUN., NOVEMBER 28 - CHRIST THE KING

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SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Christmas Collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place the weekend of December 4 & 5. Special donation envelopes are in your offertory envelope boxes or you may take a collection envelope located on a table at the back of the church. Your generosity to families in need at Christmas is most appreciated.

CHILDREN'S ADVENT EVENT



The Children's Liturgy team invites kids 4-12 years of age to an Advent event on Saturday November 27 from 10-11:30am.

Our theme is "Waiting for Jesus" and we will host socially-distant activities and crafts in the parish hall to help our parish kids prepare for Christmas. All materials will be provided for the crafts; however, you are welcome to bring your own crayons, markers and/or scissors. Kids are required to wear masks for this event. Space is limited, please register on Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/childrens-liturgy-advent-activity-event-tickets-201775103767

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES



Offertory envelope boxes for 2022 are now available at the back of the church. Please take any box and **PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS** on the first 4 envelopes you use in JANUARY

2022. Thank you for your continued support.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

If you would rather make your regular offerings through Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), kindly complete a PAG Form, which are available at the back of the Church with the envelopes, and return to the Office. Please note you still need a box of envelopes for the other Special Collections.

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2021-2022



Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year, which starts on the weekend of November 28, will be on sale after all Masses this weekend. The cost is \$5 each and the correct change would be

greatly appreciated.



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