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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 - 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary

Wednesday during Mass
 Monday & Wednesday at 6:40

PARISH LIFE

Charismatic Prayer Goup	905-822-8132
Legion of Mary (Wed 7:30 PM)	905-822-8132
Knights of Columbus (Mike Genua)	416-804-3457
RCIA	905-822-8132 ext. 3
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

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

November 20, 2022

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom"

Do you recognize that the Lord Jesus has been given all authority and power by his Father in heaven to reign over all creation - including the heavens and the earth? Jesus was crucified for his claim to be the Anointed King sent by the Father in heaven (John 18:37 and Luke 23:38) to establish his kingdom not only for his people Israel, but for all nations and peoples as well (Daniel 7:13-14; Matthew 24:30 and Matthew 26:63-64).

As Jesus was crucified on the cross alongside two criminals who were thieves, one mocked him for his claim to divine kingship. But the other thief recognized through the eyes of faith that Jesus was truly God's Anointed King and Saviour. He petitioned Jesus to treat his poor soul with mercy and pardon, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). Jesus not only granted him forgiveness, but a place with him in his everlasting kingdom. "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Jesus died not only as King of the Jews, but as King of all nations and Lord of the universe. His victory over the power of sin, Satan, and the world was accomplished through his atoning death on the cross and his resurrection on the third day. 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. That is why the Father exalted his Son and raised him in glory over the heavens and the earth. In the Book of Revelation Jesus is called King of kings and Lord and lords (Revelation 19:16). He now sits in glory at the right hand of the Father in heaven - and from his throne he rules as Lord over all - Do you recognize Jesus Christ as your Sovereign King and Redeemer?

The Scriptures tell us that there are ultimately only two kingdoms in this world which are opposed to one another - the kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness. Each kingdom is ruled by one lord or master - the Lord Jesus Christ who is the true "Light of the World" - and the false messiah and deceiver who is called the "anti-Christ" and the "angel of light" who rules over men and women through the power of false promises, lies, and temptation to sin and disobedience.

If we follow the Lord Jesus and entrust our lives to him he will open our eyes to the light of his truth and guide us by his Holy Spirit along the path that leads to our true homeland with God. If we follow the course which is set by the ruler of this present world - a world which is opposed to Christ and blinded by Satan - then we will discover that sin, pride, and deception will lead us down a path of destruction, death, and separation, rather than life, freedom, and friendship with God and the people he has redeemed with the precious blood of his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Which kingdom will you serve - today, tomorrow, and for all eternity? This present world will pass away, but God's kingdom will endure forever. If we accept Jesus Christ as Lord and King and submit to his rule for our lives, we become citizens of heaven and inherit an everlasting kingdom which is ruled by righteousness, peace, and love. Is the Lord Jesus the true King and Master of your life?

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Please help support the work of the Knights of Columbus in our community. Pre-order your Christmas poinsettias by visiting www.kofc8668.com or by scanning the QR code on the posters in the church lobby. The Knights will also be at the back of the church after Mass on the weekends of November 19/20 and November 26/27. Deliveries will take be on December 10 & 11.

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2022-2023



Living With Christ Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year, which starts on the weekend of November 27, are now available in the vestibule of the church. The cost is \$5 each and the correct change would be greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions for the Week

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Parish All Souls Intentions
S.I. The Dennison Family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 – 8:30 A.M.

+ Gillian D'Silva
+ Teresa and Luigi Volpe
+ Teresa and Vincent Loconte

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Jim and Jennie O'Neill
+ Gordon Cruickshanks

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – 8:30 A.M.

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25 – 7:00 P.M.

+ Deceased members of the Deposo Family
+ Deceased members of the Mingi Family
+ Holy souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26 – 5:00 P.M.

+ Sybil Williams
+ Perla Lim
+ Edgar Angulo

SUNDAY, NOV. 27 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

S.I. Parish Community

**HORIZONS OF HOPE: BUILDING A
COMMUNITY FOR END-OF-LIFE CARE**



Francis of Assisi Parish is proud to partner with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto using resources created by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in piloting "Horizons of Hope." This four-evening programme offers education and discernment on end-of-life issues and palliative care. "Horizons of Hope" aims at increasing our awareness of the current situation and provides tangible suggestions moving forward.

Presenters: Dr. Moira McQueen PhD, Sr. Mary Rowell, PhD, Shirley Christo MHSC, Med, Parish Nurse

Dates and Times: Thursdays - November 3, 10, 17, 24 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Location: St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall

Those interested in attending must register at St. Francis of Assisi website. Click on the "HORIZONS OF HOPE" link by October 31st. For more info call Arlene Morgan at 905-822-8132 ext. 6

ST. FRANCIS PASTA NIGHT

The Parish Social Committee invites all of you to an evening of pasta, fun and fellowship in St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall on Saturday, November 26th, from 6:15pm to 9:00pm. Tickets are \$20 per person. Children 12 and under are \$10 each, and kids 5 and under are free. Wine will be available for purchase. Water and pop are complimentary. There will be a draw, with proceeds going to our parish ShareLife campaign.

Tickets will be sold after each Sunday Mass November 12/13 and November 19/20. Cash only please. Tickets are limited and unavailable at the door, so don't be disappointed. Tickets can also be purchased at the parish office We hope to see you there! *Speriamo di vedervi li!*

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**SHARELIFE PARISH CAMPAIGN DEADLINE
EXTENDED**

The deadline for this year's ShareLife campaign has been extended to December 31, 2022. To date, St. Francis of Assisi parishioners have contributed \$126,825. This is an incredible accomplishment in these very challenging economic times, and with lower than usual post-pandemic Mass attendance. Thank you for your generosity!

We are now very close to achieving our parish goal of \$135,000. Therefore, if you have not yet made your 2022 ShareLife contribution, please do so as soon as possible. Even a small amount can make a big difference in someone's life. ShareLife envelopes are available in the church lobby. You can also donate on-line using a credit card. If you have already donated to ShareLife, but you feel inspired to do more, please know that your gift is very much appreciated. Never has the need been greater. To provide added encouragement and inspiration, a generous donor in the GTA has offered to match all ShareLife gifts in the month of November up to \$1 million. Let us do all we can as individuals, and as a parish, to support the poor and most vulnerable in our community.

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