

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO

#### **Pastoral Staff**

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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 Every 2nd & 4th Friday during Holy Hour (6:15pm to 6:45pm).

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Closed Monday, Saturday and Sunday

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 Wednesday during Mass Rosary Monday & Wednesday at 6:40 PM Divine Mercy Friday at 3:00 PM

#### **PARISH LIFE**

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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 26, 2023

#### I Am the Resurrection and the Life

When Jesus announced that Lazarus was dead and that he was going to Jerusalem, Thomas showed both his courage and pessimism. "Let us go, that we may die with him." This courage, however, was not tempered with faith and hope in God's promise to bring victory out of defeat. Even though Thomas was a witness to Lazarus' resurrection, he betrayed his master when arrest and death stared him in the face. He doubted his master's resurrection until Jesus showed him the wounds of his passion. God gives us faith, courage, and the strength we need to persevere through any trial and suffering we must face in this life. If we embrace our cross with faith and trust in God, then we, too, will see victory and glory in the end.

What is the significance of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead? It is more than a miraculous event. It is a "sign" of God's promise to raise up all who have died in Christ to everlasting life. That is why Jesus asked Martha if she believed in the resurrection from the dead. The Christian creed, which is the profession of our faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and in the saving power of God, culminates in the proclamation of the resurrection of the dead on the last day and in life everlasting. This is our faith and our hope.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have ransomed us with your blood and restored us to life with the Father in heaven. May your resurrection be our hope as we long for the day when we will see you face to face in glory. Amen



#### **MONDAY, MARCH 27 - 7:00 P.M.**

- + Gerry Mayo
- + Ann Robinson

S.I. Souls in Purgatory

**TUESDAY, MARCH 28 - 8:30 A.M.** 

Mass intention available

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 - 7:00 P.M.

Mass intention available

THURSDAY, MARCH 30 - 8:30 A.M.

Mass intention available

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 31 - 7:00 P.M.

+ Anne (Delorey) Hubert

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 1 - 5:00 P.M.

- + Joaquim Fernandes
- + Petra Malabanan
- + Gloria Guertin

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 2, PALM SUNDAY**

S.I. Parish Community



#### **PARISH CONFESSION DATES**

**Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023** 9:30am - 11:30am 2:30pm - 4:30pm

**Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023** 7:45pm - 9:00pm

Plus EVERY Saturday, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.



PALM SUNDAY – April 1 & 2 Regular Sunday Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 7:00pm TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 8:30am WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 7:00pm

#### HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6 No 8:30am MASS

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER – 7:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall until 12:00am midnight

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 7
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
12:00pm and 3:00pm
STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 7:00pm

#### **HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 8**

10:00am – Blessing of Easter baskets
(Outside the parish office near statue of St. Francis)
10:30am – RCIA rehearsal (church)
No 4:00pm Confessions
No 5:00pm Mass
7:30pm – EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 9 - Regular Sunday Mass Schedule: 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

#### **EASTER MONDAY** - APRIL 10

9:40am Rosary 10:00am Mass **No 7:00pm Mass** 



#### **NEXT CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 (Palm Sunday) 10am Mass Only



#### **2023 Divine Mercy Novena Prayers**

Good Friday, April 7 – 11:30am
Holy Saturday, April 8 – 11:30am
Easter Sunday, April 9 – 11:30am
Easter Monday, April 10 – 10:45am (after Mass)
Easter Tuesday, April 11 – 9:00am (after Mass)
Easter Wednesday, April 12 – 7:45pm (after Mass)
Easter Thursday, April 13 – 9:00am (after Mass)
Easter Friday, April 14 – 7:45pm (after Mass)
Easter Saturday, April 15 – 11:30am

Feast of the Divine Mercy - Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>
Regular Sunday Masses - 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00pm
Sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy - 2:30pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Opening
Prayers

3:00pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** 3:15pm

Closing Prayers & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:50pm

**Confessions resume** 4:00 until 5:00pm



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#### **SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

Calling children from grades 1 to 6 to join the <u>Parish DAY Camp</u> program, from **August 13**th **to 18**th, 2023.

Held at St. Francis of Assisi parish from 9:00am to 2:30pm. Youth from grades 7 to 12 are welcome to join the <a href="Parish EVENING camp">Parish EVENING camp</a> program on the same week from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

Visit our <u>parish website</u> for details and online registration form. For additional info, kindly contact Ms. Arlene at 905.822.8132 x 6 or by email: amorgan@archtoronto.org

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