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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  
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

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

# ASCENSION OF THE LORD

## MAY 21, 2023

**“I am with you always – to the close of the age”**



Jesus' departure and ascension into heaven was both an end and a beginning for his disciples. While it was the end of Jesus' physical presence with his beloved disciples, it marked the beginning of Jesus' presence with them in a new way. Jesus promised that he would be with them always to the end of time (Matthew 28:20). He assured them of his power – a power which overcame sin and death. Now as the glorified and risen Lord and Savior, ascended to the right hand of the Father in heaven, Jesus promised to give them the power his Holy Spirit, which we see fulfilled ten days later on the Feast of Pentecost. When the Lord Jesus departed physically from the apostles, they were not left alone or powerless. Jesus assured them of his presence and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus' last words to his disciples point to his saving mission and to their mission to be witnesses of his saving death and his glorious resurrection and to proclaim the good news of salvation to all the world. Their task is to proclaim the gospel – the good news of salvation – not only to the people of Israel, but to all the nations as well. God's love and gift of salvation is not reserved for a few or for one nation alone, but it is for the whole world - for all who would accept it.

The gospel is the power of God, the power to release people from their burden of guilt, sin and oppression, and the power to heal, restore and make us whole. Do you believe in the power of the gospel?

This is the great commission which the risen Christ gives to the whole church. All believers have been given a share in this task – to be heralds of the good news and ambassadors for Jesus Christ, the only saviour of the world. We have not been left alone in the task, for the risen Lord works in and through us by the power of his Holy Spirit. Today we witness a new Pentecost as the Lord pours out his Holy Spirit upon his people to renew and strengthen the body of Christ and to equip it for effective ministry and mission world - wide. Do you witness to others the joy of the gospel and the hope of the resurrection?

### **MONDAY, MAY 22, 10:00 A.M.**

Mass Intentions Available

### **TUESDAY, MAY 23 – 8:30 A.M.**

Mass Intentions Available

### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

### **THURSDAY, MAY 25 – 8:30 A.M.**

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

### **FRIDAY, MAY 26 – 7:00 P.M.**

S.I. Barteil Maslunka & Family

### **SATURDAY, MAY 27–5:00 P.M.**

+ Michel Moussa

+ Bill Leblanc

+ Rolando Talag

### **SUNDAY, MAY 28– PENETCOST SUNDAY**

S.I. Parish Community

### **DO YOU KNOW?**



What is the term for the change of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ during Mass?

**\*\*Sacramentalization\*\*    \*\* Transformation\*\*  
**\*\*Transubstantiation\*\* or \*\*Consubstantiation\*\*****

What does 'catholic' mean?

**\*\*Apostolic\*\*    \*\*Revealed\*\*  
**\*\*Universal\*\* or \*\*Ancient\*\*****



**ShareLife Golf Tournament returns to the Royal Woodbine Golf Club in Etobicoke on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Visit [sharelife.org/golf](http://sharelife.org/golf) to register today.**

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED



Hospitals, Cancer Society, Scouts, Schools and many more places all need volunteers and our churches are no different. We all need people to help

so that we can offer so much more to you. There are various ministries in which you can volunteer your time from once a week, once a month and everything in between. If you are interested contact the parish office at 905 822-8132 ext. 0.

## PRAYER LIST



If you know of anyone sick, going through difficult times, an unexpected change in their life, out of work --- prayers help. Call the parish office at 905 822-8132 ext. 0. Your name will be added to our prayer list and the entire parish will be praying for you.

## BUNDLE UP SATURDAY & SUNDAY

On the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will once again have a container in the church parking lot to receive your donations. Please place **gently** used clothes and leather shoes in a securely tied plastic bag or sealed box. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and we thank you for helping us help others in need.



**IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR.** On Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00P.M. St. Francis Parish will be holding their annual BBQ. Come one come all and enjoy a GREAT

afternoon socializing with other parishioners, enjoy delicious BBQ food and playing games. There will be something for everyone. See you there.

## PARISH SUMMER CAMP



There is a meeting planned for June 1, 2023 at 7:00P.M. for all Camp Parents and Volunteers. If your child will be attending or you want more information regarding Totus Tuus please join us.

## SHARELIFE UPDATE

Grand Total to Date: \$40,698.40  
Our Parish Goal this year is \$154,700.00  
We are at 26.3%

**Next ShareLife collection is June 4<sup>th</sup>.**

With your help I know we can make our target once again this year.

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## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND



The Catholic Marriage Encounter Weekend is a time to rediscover the joy in your marriage. You learn a powerful tool to use in communicating with each other, within yourselves, and with our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a process that places God at the centre of your married life.

**Where: St. Marcellinus Secondary School  
730 Courtney Park Dr., Mississauga**

**When: June 3 & 4, 2023**

**Cost: \$70.00 per couple (includes meals & Seminar materials)**

**Time: 8 AM - 7 PM (Sat)  
8 AM - 5 PM (Sun)**

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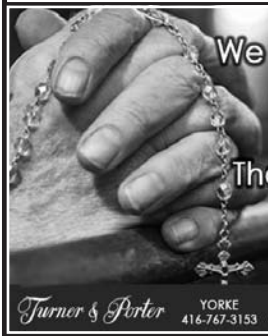
### \*\*\*IMPORTANT MASS TIME UPDATE\*\*\*

**Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> is Victoria Day  
Mass Time will be 10:00A.M. with the  
7:00P.M. mass is cancelled.**

Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi all new parishioners joining us for the first time.

Have a wonderful long weekend, keep safe and God Bless.

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