

## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO

#### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Damian Ali, Pastor Don Roberts, Richard Te, Richard Noronha, Deacons Brenda Penney, Parish Bookkeeper Ella Alvares, Parish Secretary Arlene Morgan, Lay Pastoral Assistant

#### **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

Tel: 905-822-8132

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
Men of St Francis (Kurtis Chong)	647-378-3537
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
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Fax: 905-822-6620

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT February 18, 2024

## The Lord Jesus Can Make Me Clean

"Lord Jesus, your word is life, joy, wisdom and strength for me. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may have strength and courage to embrace your will in all things and to renounce in whatever is contrary to your will for me." Amen.



## MONDAY, February 19 - 7:00 P.M.

- T Amelia Malayao
- T Mientja Reijnier
- T Zeny Austria

## TUESDAY, February 20 - 8:30 A.M.

Mass Intentions Available

## WEDNESDAY, February 21–7:00 P.M.

- Stewart Crocker
- S.I Mercy of Mother Mary

## THURSDAY, February 22 - 8:30 A.M.

S.I. For healing and reconciliation in troubled marriages and families

## **FRIDAY, February 23 – 7:00 P.M.**

S.I. Rocca & Gabriel Mansour

#### SATURDAY, February 24 - 5:00 P.M.

Mass Intentions Available

SUNDAY, February 25 -

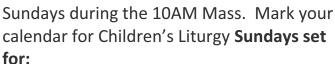
**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** 

### **CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN SOAP DRIVE**

St. Francis of Assisi is collecting Soap Bars to help Canadian Food For Children for those in need to protect them from bacterial infections. If you are able, please donate a bar of soap. Drop-Off Boxes will be available at the back of the church on the weekends of February 17/18 and the 24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup>.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

We invite all children in JK to Grade 3 to join us on



March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> and April 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE



Here is the lowdown on this craic-filled celebration!

WHEN: Saturday March 16

TICKETS: \$80.00 each, cash or cheque (Payable to St. Francis of Assisi). On sale after all masses on the weekend of February 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>.

**WHERE: Le Treport Banquet Hall** 

TIME: Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

There will be a DJ playing a mix of contemporary and Irish/ Celtic tunes and door prizes to win. Don't let this shindig pass you by! Come for the laughs, the camaraderie!

**EIRINN GO BRACH (IRELAND FOREVER!)** 

# 2024 STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON THE FRIDAYS IN LENT



February 16 - The Way of the Cross by St. Alphonsus

February 23 - Stations of the Cross for Peace

March 1 - The Way of the Cross by Pope Francis

March 8 - <u>A Family-Centered Way of the Cross</u>

March 15 - St. Patrick's Way of the Cross

March 22 - Mary's Way of the Cross

March 29(7pm)-Everyone's Way of the Cross GOOD FRIDAY

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI 2024 LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

## **Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>**

2 Priests present 9:30am – 11:30am & 2:30pm -4:30pm

## Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup>

4 Priests present After 7pm Mass (7:45pm to 9pm or as long as necessary)



SAVE-THE-DATE on Saturday, March, 2, 2024. Ms. Arlene will be organizing a bus to/from Toronto. Bus leaves the St. Francis of Assisi parking lot at 7:30am sharp. Return is approximately 6:30 pm. Please sign up on the St. Francis of Assisi Parish website. Payment must be dropped off prior to the event at the Parish Office. Prices includes ticket & bus fee.

Adult - \$45.00 Youth- \$30.00

# <u>LENTEN PARISH MISSION – MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>, 4<sup>TH</sup>, 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 – </u>



"LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS" –
Facilitated by His Grace,
Terrence Prendergast,
Archbishop Emeritus of Ottawa
– Cornwall

Terrence Prendergast, S.J. is the Emeritus Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall. A native of Montreal, he entered the Jesuit Order in 1961 and was ordained a priest in 1972. His higher studies in Scripture led him to teaching appointments at Halifax's Atlantic School of Theology, Campion College, Regina and Regis College, Toronto as well as formation work with diocesan and Jesuit seminarians.

In 1995, Pope St. John Paul II named him Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto where he served as Bishop of the Western Pastoral Region(Mississauga, Brampton, Etobicoke, and North York) until named Archbishop of Halifax in 1998 and Administrator of Yarmouth in 2002 (now the Halifax-Yarmouth Archdiocese).

In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI named him Archbishop of Ottawa and in 2018 Pope Francis named his Bishop of Alexandria-Cornwall, then Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall in 2020. At the time of his retirement from this office, he became Apostolic Administrator of Hearst-Moosonee until 2022.

Now, in addition to continuing his love of Scripture and the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, he directs retreats and leads parish missions.

Archbishop Prendergast will introduce the Lenten Mission and preach at all the Sunday Masses on the weekend of March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

On the mission evenings, Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup> to Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup>, the Sacrament of Reconciliation(Confession) will be available from 6:00pm – 6:45pm.

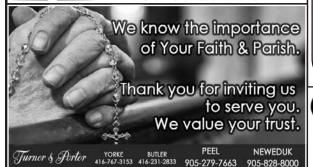
Mass will begin at 7pm, and the "Mission Talk" will take the form of an extended homily during Mass.

There will be a reception in the Parish Hall after the Wednesday evening Mass to bring our Lenten Mission to a close.

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

FUNERAL SERVICES

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