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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  
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  
Christ the King 905-569-0220

# Ascension Of The Lord

May 12, 2024

## The Lord Jesus Was Taken up into Heaven

*"Lord Jesus, through the gift of your Holy Spirit, you fill us with an indomitable spirit of praise and joy which no earthly trial can subdue. Fill me with your resurrection joy and help me to live a life of praise and thanksgiving for your glory. May I witness to those around me the joy of the Gospel and the reality of your great victory over sin and death."*  
*Amen.*



The Parish Office will be closed Victoria Day, Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and will re-open on Tuesday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00AM.



### LIVING ROSARY & CROWNING OF MARY

On Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00PM there will be a "Living Rosary" inside St. Francis of

Assisi Church concluded with the Crowning of Mary and presentation of flowers by our parish youth. All are welcome!

Note that Archbishop Leo has written a letter about the devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary during the month of May which is posted on our parish website. Please visit:

[stfrancisofassisimi.archtoronto.org](http://stfrancisofassisimi.archtoronto.org)

### FR. DAMIAN'S 29<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

On Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024, it will be Fr.

Damian's 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. To celebrate this special milestone, everyone is invited to join

Fr. Damian for cake and refreshments in the parish hall after the 7PM Mass on Monday.



#### MONDAY, May 13 - 7:00 P.M.

† Maria Lombardi

#### TUESDAY, May 14 - 8:30 A.M.

Mass Intentions Available

#### WEDNESDAY, May 15 - 7:00 P.M.

Mass Intentions Available

#### THURSDAY, May 16 - 8:30 P.M.

S.I. For an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life and Permanent Diaconate

#### FRIDAY, May 17 - 7:00 P.M.

Mass Intentions Available

#### SATURDAY, May 18 - 5:00 P.M.

† Maria Concetta Mennite

† John Moysiuk

#### SUNDAY, May 19 - 8:30 A.M., 10 A.M. & 12 P.M.

Pentecost Sunday

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass on the Victoria Day Weekend, Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>, will be at 10AM, preceded by the Rosary at 9:40AM. There will be **NO 7PM Mass.**



## A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

*Loving God,  
You wrap your arms around your  
people and show your everlasting  
love in the same way a mother  
loves their children. We are  
grateful for the love you have  
taught us through the mothers in*

*our lives: our own mother who brought us into  
this world, the mothers of friends who have  
welcomed us into their homes and families, our  
grandmothers who took time for us, and the  
mothers who have helped us even though we  
were not their children. Bless all the mothers of  
this world today. May they know the fullness of  
love they have shared and be blessed everyday of  
their lives.*



## 2024 CHURCH GARDENS

### **DO YOU NEED MORE OUTDOOR TIME?**

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November. Please contact Dolores at 905-  
822-5297 for further details**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER



### DINNER & DANCE

The Knights of Columbus cordially invite  
you to their **Annual Fundraiser Dinner &  
Dance!**

**COST:** \$75 per person

**WHEN:** Friday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**WHERE:** Oakville Legacy Banquet Hall (Jeana's Room)  
1173 North Service Road, E., Oakville

**TIME:** Cocktails & Hors D'oeuvres will be served at  
6:00PM

Buffet Dinner at 7:30PM

Put on your dancing shoes and dance to the music of

**DJ ROMANO.**

**There also will be a 50/50 Draw as well as a Silent  
Auction for you to participate.**

**Tickets will be available this weekend.**

## YEAR OF PRAYER VIDEO SERIES

In advance of the Jubilee Year taking place  
in 2025, Pope Francis has asked that 2024  
be marked as a **Year of Prayer**. The  
archdiocese has created a video series  
which will highlight the importance of  
prayer in our lives. The series will focus on  
the seven petitions of the Lord's Prayer as  
found in the fourth part of the Catechism of  
the Catholic Church. The first video, an  
introduction to the Year of Prayer by  
Archbishop Leo, is available for viewing  
now on the archdiocesan website as well as  
on the archdiocesan YouTube channel at  
<http://www.youtube.com/@archtoronto>.  
Feel free to share the first episode on parish  
websites and social media accounts as you  
see fit: <https://youtu.be/kZAizZ86GjE>. Stay  
tuned for future instalments in the months  
to come.

## 4<sup>th</sup> CENTENARY OF CANADA'S CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

In 2024, Saint Joseph's Oratory of Mount  
Royal will mark the 4th centenary of the  
country's consecration to Saint Joseph.  
Founded by Saint Brother André and one of  
Canada's most popular pilgrimage sites, the  
Oratory is pleased to welcome pilgrims  
during this special anniversary. Going on a  
pilgrimage is to set off on a spiritual journey  
to a sacred place with the hope of  
experiencing an inner change, healing, and  
openness to others and to God's plan for  
each one of us. At Saint Joseph's Oratory of  
Mount Royal, pilgrims pray, reflect,  
celebrate the Eucharist and leave feeling  
revitalized. From March 10 to October 19,  
2024, the 4th centenary will be  
commemorated through significant events  
at the Shrine. Whether as a parish, with  
family or friends or for your own personal  
pilgrimage, Saint Joseph's Oratory is ready  
to welcome you.

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