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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

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

## World Day of Youth

### November 24, 2024

## My Kingship Is Not of This World

*"Lord Jesus Christ, you are my King and there is no other. Be the Lord and Master of my heart, mind, body, and soul. May I always seek to do your will and to serve your kingdom above all else".*



### REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION

Students from Grade 7 & up are encouraged to register online to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please visit our website at:

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

**Deadline: November 25th, 2024**

Parent information meetings for Confirmation will take place Thursday, Nov. 28 at 7PM and Saturday Nov. 30 at 11AM.

Parents & Confirmation candidates need to attend only one of these meetings.



### CALLING YOUNG CAROLERS

Does your child enjoy singing or have a musical talent to share? All children from grades 3 to 12 are invited to sing before the Christmas Eve 5pm Mass. Children interested are asked to attend weekly practices in the church at **3:45pm** every Saturday until December 23<sup>rd</sup>. We look forward to hearing the beautiful voices of our children on Christmas Eve! To sign-up your child, email Ms. Arlene at [amorgan@archtoronto.org](mailto:amorgan@archtoronto.org) or call 905.822.8132 ext. 6.

#### MONDAY, Nov 25 - 7 PM

S.I. Leila & Alexandra Isa

S.I. Fred & Leah Padilla

S.I. Carmen Lizardo

#### TUESDAY, Nov 26- 8:30 AM

Mass Intentions Available

#### WEDNESDAY, Nov 27 - 7:00 PM

† Parish All Souls Intentions

† Dominic Barrett

S.I. Ciaran Lauer

#### THURSDAY, Nov 28- 8:30 AM

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

#### FRIDAY, Nov 29 - 7:00 PM

† Carmelo Carpino

† Concetta Chianello

† Fiorina & Emilio Chiappetta

#### SATURDAY, Nov 30- 5 PM

† Jozef Niedzwiedz

† Pawel Roztocki

S.I. Anna Maria Piraino

#### SUNDAY, Dec 1 - 8:30 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM

First Sunday of Advent

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI TRIVIA

The answer will be found next week on the parish website:

*What do the Four Candles on the Advent Wreath Represent?*



## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Support Our Community and Make a Difference This Christmas! Pre-Order your **Christmas Poinsettias**.

Every purchase contributes to the Knights of Columbus **Y.E.S. Program (Young Families, Elderly & Students)** The Knights will be at the back of the church after all masses this weekend. Pickup will be December 7/8 in the parish hall.



## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The 2nd Collection is for the Christmas collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul which will take place Nov 30 & Dec 1, 2024. **Please make cheques payable to St. Vincent de Paul.** Special donation envelopes are in your offertory envelope boxes. Also collection envelopes will be available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity to families in need at Christmas.



## ADVENT CELEBRATION FOR YOUTH

Families with children of all ages are invited to take part in our **“Advent Wonderland”** on Sunday December 8th from 2pm to 4pm in the Parish Hall. Join us to decorate Christmas cookies and ornaments, and don't forget to bring your camera to take a photo with Santa and Mrs. Claus. The cost is only **\$5.00 per child** to participate. Please visit the parish website to sign-up. Each child is asked to bring one non-perishable food item for our local Food Bank, **“Eden Food for Change.”**

## RCIA RITES DURING MASS ON THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 23RD & 24TH 2023

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process whereby adults explore the Catholic faith with the hope of being baptized or received into the Catholic Church. Baptized Catholics may also participate to receive instruction and faith formation to complete their initiation.

During the initiation process, formal ceremonies called “rites” take place, usually during designated Sunday Masses, to introduce RCIA participants to the parish, update parishioners on the progress of those being initiated and to remind the community of the important role we all have in initiating new members.

**Saturday, November 23rd, during the 5pm Mass, Jonah Lessard**, who is preparing for baptism at the next Easter Vigil, will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance. **Sunday, November 24th, during the 10am Mass, the following baptized candidates hoping to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church will celebrate the Rite of Welcome: Shaughn Chan, Christopher Hanson & Timothy Oladosu.**

**At the 12pm Mass on Sunday, November 24th, Victor Dimude and Augustina Dimude**, who are baptized Catholics, will receive a blessing as they prepare to complete their initiation with the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist. Please pray for all our RCIA participants as they continue their journey of faith.



The 2024 40 Days for Life campaign will come to an end on Sunday, December 1 with a closing mass at St Catherine of Siena church, and recitation of the rosary at the Mississauga vigil site on the Queensway.

A total of 26 St. Francis of Assisi parishioners attended the vigil site during our allocated parish day, Wednesday October 30, and on the following day, which is an increase compared to last year. On behalf of Right to Life Mississauga-Brampton, I'd like to thank

all of you who set aside time to go to the site and joined in prayer. We trust that God will use our prayers and public witness to touch hearts and save lives in accordance with His Divine Will. Thank you.

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