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 Carmen Pulis, Part-Time Office Assistant 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

6:00 PM -7:00 PM

Holy Hour Fridays (excluding holidays)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesday during Mass Monday & Wednesday at 6:40 PM Rosary 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

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME January 19, 2025

Jesus Manifested His Glory at Cana

"Heavenly Father, you have revealed your glory in our Lord Jesus Christ. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may bring you glory in all that I do and say." Amen.



MONDAY, Jan. 20 - 7:00PM

S.I Ryan Lieffman

TUESDAY, Jan. 21 – 8:30AM TDaryl Checknita

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22 - 7PM

S.I. Thanksgiving Mass S.I. Souls in Purgatory THURSDAY, Jan 23 - 8:30 AM S.I. For Reparation for sins committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

FRIDAY, Jan. 24 – 7:00 PM Mass Intentions Available

SATURDAY, Jan 25 – 5:00PM

TAshley & Gail Pereira

T Ettore Dell'Anno S.I. Anna Maria Piraino

SUNDAY, Jan 26 – 8:30AM,10AM & 12 PM Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

What days are Catholics required to fast during Lent?



2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

Offertory envelope boxes for 2025 are available at the back of the

church after all masses. Please take any box and PRINT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS on the envelopes you use in the month of JANUARY 2025. Just as a reminder we cannot issue tax receipts without this information.

If you would prefer to make your regular offerings through **Pre-Authorized Giving** (PAG), kindly complete a PAG Form, which are available at the back of the Church with the envelopes, and return to the Office. Please note you still need a box of envelopes for the other Special Collections.

HELPING OUR NEIGHBOURS IN NEED

The Knights of Columbus will be accepting nonperishable food items after all Masses, this weekend

& Jan 25/26, 2025. Our



be delivered, sorted and stocked by the Knights at Eden Food for Change, our neighbourhood food bank serving those in need in our very own Erin Mills community. Thank you for your support.

MEN OF INTEGRITY CONFERENCE

"Men of Integrity: Stand Firm in the Faith" (1 Corinthians 16:13). Saturday, January 25th, 2025, 8am to 3:30pm **Christ the King Parish** 3674 Lake Shore Blvd West, in Etobicoke. Featured Speaker: Jim O'Day, Executive Director of Integrity Restored

Cost: \$30 (or \$20 for students)

Register online at FAMFI.CA/MOF-TO

<u>ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR</u> CHRISTIAN UNITY PRAYER SERVICE 2025

January 18 to 25, 2025, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU).

This year's theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is based on a passage from the Gospel of John: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26).

The Office for Promoting Christian Unity and Religious Relations with Judaism, Archdiocese of Toronto in collaboration with the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches, have organized an ecumenical prayer service to celebrate the WPCU.

Christian Unity Prayer Service 2025

Date: Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025, 4 p.m. EST Venue: North City Church (Toronto District_Christian High School, Highway 7/Kipling Ave.) 377 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, ON L4L 2V7 All are invited to join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto) and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church.

<u>Jubilee Masses for the Western Pastoral</u> <u>Region</u>

In commemoration of the opening of the 2025 Jubilee Year in the Pastoral Regions, there will be two Masses celebrated in the Western Pastoral Region's "Pilgrimage Parishes."

The first of these Masses will be celebrated by His Eminence, Cardinal Frank Leo, at <u>St. Mary's Parish</u>, <u>Brampton</u>, on

Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 7 p.m. This Mass is also a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate the elevation of His Eminence to the College of Cardinals.

Bishop Ivan Camilleri will celebrate the second Regional Mass, which is scheduled to take place at <u>Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke</u>, on

Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7 p.m. Confessions will be available prior to each Mass from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Marriage Sunday

On the second Sunday of February each year, the Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates **Marriage Sunday**. In 2025, it will be celebrated on the weekend of **February 8/9**. This occasion highlights the importance of the institution of marriage rooted in faith, affirms couples who strengthen our faith community through their witness, and complements World Marriage Sunday celebrations that take place across North America. Parishes and the lay faithful are called upon to affirm the sacrament of Matrimony and to honour married couples in the community.

At St. Francis of Assisi Church, Fr. Damian's homily will offer teaching on the Catholic understanding of marriage and procedural guidelines for Catholic churches.

There will also be a special blessing for married couples at the end of all Masses on the weekend of February 8 & 9. We are also grateful to those who assist couples as they prepare for marriage and to those engaged in marriage enrichment programs or lay movements to support the sacrament of Matrimony.

We also extend our loving support to those who have lost a spouse or have experienced the pain and suffering of a broken relationship.

If you need assistance during these difficult days, please seek out programs and resources in your own parish or throughout our diocese so that we may accompany you through the healing process. As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025 may register for reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.





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