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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 (Peter Eng)	416-986-0608
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
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - sfa.atrrium@gmail.com	

SCHOOLS

St. Francis of Assisi	905-822-3183
St. Margaret of Scotland	905-820-5115
Christ the King	905-569-0220

First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025

Watch and Be Ready - the Day of the Lord's Coming Draws Near

"Lord Jesus, you have captured my heart for you. Make me strong in faith, steadfast in hope, and generous in love that I may seek to please you in all things and bring you glory and praise. Keep me ever watchful for the coming of your kingdom today and every day of my life." Amen.



MONDAY, December 1 – 7:00PM

† Joaquim Fernandes
† Jackie Turner
† Rui Rebello

TUESDAY, December 2 – 7:00PM

† Maria Xavier
† Eduardo & Aurora Santos
S.I. Viv Delima

WEDNESDAY, December 3– 7:00PM

† Sandra Linsley
† Marie Salvati
† Ralph Tessaro

THURSDAY, December 4 – 8:30AM

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

FRIDAY, December 5 –7:00PM

† Angela Pellegrino
† Trinidad & Severiana Peralta
S.I. Louis Lansing

SATURDAY, December 6 – 5:00PM

† Rita Dos Ramos
† Purissima Melchiorre
† Nadia Giannini

SUNDAY, December 7– 8:30AM, 10AM & 12 PM

Second Sunday of Advent

- **The Men of St Francis:** Every Saturday 8am -10:00AM, in the Parish Hall
- **The Legion of Mary:** Every Wednesday 5pm – 6:30pm, in the Parish Hall.
- **Bridge Club:** Every Monday, 1pm –3:30pm.
- **Senior Ladies of St. Francis:** Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1pm – 4pm
- **IN the Church:**
 - **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Every Friday at 3PM
 - **Holy Hour:** Every Friday at 6PM.
 - **Confession:** Every 2nd & 4th Friday at 6:15PM -6:45PM and Saturdays 4PM – 4:45PM.
 - **Youth Choir Practice:** Every Saturday at 4PM



Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto and New Testament Scholar, will facilitate an Advent Mission on the theme of "Hope" in the Book of Revelation. Cardinal Collins will

introduce the Mission at all Masses on the weekend of November 29th and 30th. The Mission itself will take place Monday, December 1st, Tuesday, December 2nd and Wednesday, December 3rd.

Confessions: 6:15pm – 6:45pm

Mass: 7pm

Mission talk immediately after Mass

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Thank You

Another successful annual St. Francis of Assisi Pasta Night Dinner on Saturday night with fun, food and fellowship!

We had fabulous food catered by **La Felicita** and desserts from Longo's. We are grateful for **Dan Trigiani for making the arrangements with Truscott Bakery for the donation of the delicious buns. Tre Amici Imports for the red wine** arranged by **Carmen Pulis**.

We had lots of giveaways! We had door prizes and a 50/50 draw, **collecting \$530**, with ½ the proceeds going towards the St. Francis of Assisi Church Roofing Fund. Congratulations to all our door prize winners, and **thank you to the many individuals and businesses who donated prizes, including Gary Betts, Joe DeCosta, Charity Canfield, Doreen Remedios, Marilou Grino, Margot, Lavinia Miller, Jackie Pappas, Merly Talag, Kathy Valant, Chantilly Lace Salon, Anthony's Family Hair Salon, Tim Horton's Woodchester and Springbank Nurseries.**

We are also grateful to **Jackie Pappas** for a fun trivia game she put together to challenge our general knowledge, with prizes going to the winning table.

As with any event like this, we want to thank all the volunteers who helped with the set-up, the event itself and the fun part, cleaning up and putting everything away, including **Betty Tam-Chong, Rebbie Santiago, Ella Alvares, Paola Marshall, Vicky Peralta, Nick Valant, Will Harkness, Jim Quigg, Shawn O'Grady, the men of the Knights Of Columbus, and the Social Committee.**

We can always count on our parishioners and the incredible people of these organizations to step up and help when there is work to do! And they do it with grace and good humour.

Most of all, a big thank you, Father Damian, for joie de vivre and for leading us with your joy, wisdom and passion for all that is Godly and wholesome.

Thank you all & God Bless. See you next year!

The St. Francis Social Committee

Purchase a Copy of Fr. Allan MacDonald's

New Book



Fr. Allan MacDonald, CC will be with us on **Monday, December 15th to celebrate & preach at the 7pm Mass.**

After Mass, he will be selling and signing copies of his new book, Sipping on the Sabbath - Sunday Homilies, Year A (Vol. 1). You can purchase your copy via Tap, Cash or Cheque made payable to, "The Companions of the Cross".



Society of
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CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

There will be a 2nd collection for

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul for Christmas, which will take place on the weekend of December 6th & 7th.

Please make cheques payable to St. Vincent de Paul.

Special donation envelopes are in your offertory envelope boxes. Also St. Vincent de Paul Christmas collection envelopes will be available at the back of the church.

Thank you for your generosity to families in need at Christmas.

ADVENT DAY OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is the



best way to prepare our hearts and souls for Christmas. Please take advantage of the opportunities available on Wednesday December

17th at 9:30 am – 11:30 am (2 Priests), 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm (2 Priests) and 7:45 pm – 9:00 pm (4 Priests) after the regular 7pm mass

WOMEN AT THE WELL RETREAT



On Saturday January 3, 2026,

St. Francis of Assisi Church will be hosting a Women's Retreat, Strengthening Women on Their Journey, facilitated by Elizabeth

Pietrantonio. Join us for a day of reflection, prayer and conversation as we enter the new year.

Together, we'll discover how we can support each other and walk in faith on the new road on which God is calling us. For more information and to register, please contact the Parish Office at 905-822-8132.

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