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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
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<i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i>	Wednesday during Mass
<i>Rosary</i>	Monday & Wednesday at 6:40 PM
<i>Divine Mercy</i>	Friday at 3:00 PM

PARISH LIFE

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.atrium@gmail.com	

SCHOOLS

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30th, 2026

Take up Your Cross Daily and Follow Jesus Christ

"Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and all my will, all that I have and possess. You have given them to me; to you, O Lord, I restore them; all things are yours, dispose of them according to your will. Give me your love and your grace, for this is enough for me."



MONDAY, August 31 – 7:00 p.m.

- † David Travasso
- † Christiana Eruero
- † Ramon Malayao

TUESDAY, September 1 – 8:30 a.m.

- † Francisco Fernandes
- S.I. Torrey Efealukwe
- S.I. Stephen Alvares

WEDNESDAY, September 2 – 7:00 p.m.

- † Maria & Matteo Lombardi
- † Souls in Purgatory
- † Peter DeCoursey

THURSDAY, September 3 – 8:30 a.m.

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

FRIDAY, September 4 – 7:00 p.m.

- † Daniel Pamaran
- † Souls in Purgatory
- S.I. Don, Cindy & Haley Wolf

SATURDAY, September 5 – 5:00 p.m.

- † Gail Pereira
- † Margaret & Desmond Somers
- S.I. D'Mello Family

SUNDAY, September 6 – 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **Bridge Club:** Mondays, 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Returns Sept. 14th

- **The Men of St. Francis:** Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Returns Sept. 12th

- **Legion of Mary:** In the Parish Hall

- Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

- **Ladies 55+ of St. Francis:** Every 2nd Tuesday of the month from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

NEXT GATHERING SEPT. 8TH

IN THE CHURCH

- **Millions of Monicas:** Every 1st Wednesday of the month after the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Next meeting Sept. 2nd

- **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Fridays at 3:00 p.m.

Returns -Sept. 11th

- **Holy Hour:** Fridays at 6:00 p.m.

- **Confession:**

Every 2nd & 4th Friday, 6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

The Parish Office will be closed Labour Day, Monday, September, 7th, 2026 and will re-open on Tuesday, September, 8th at 9:00A.M.

Mass on Labour Day, Monday, September 7th, will be celebrated at 10a.m. **There will be NO 7p.m. Mass.**



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The Level 1 Atrium for 3 to 6 year olds will be holding weekly sessions on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. which will begin in the Fall.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN. Please contact the Parish office for further details.



THE ROSARY APOSTOLATE

The Rosary Apostolate is seeking people who have a great love for the Rosary and who are willing to visit our schools to pray the Rosary with the children once a month. Training, screening, and materials will be provided. **If you are interested, please contact Betty or Margaret @ 647-239-0987.**

St. Francis of Assisi Parish offers



RCIA is an initiation process for adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic. If interested please contact the Parish Office to arrange a meeting with Fr. Damian as soon as possible. Baptized Catholics who have not yet celebrated their First Communion or Confirmation may also participate in the RCIA to complete their initiation.

THE MEN OF ST. FRANCIS

Calling all men of the parish! The Men of St. Francis men's group, will resume their program on Saturday mornings, beginning September 12 at 8:00am, in the Parish hall. Come and enjoy a tasty breakfast, good coffee, inspiring video presentations by renowned speakers, and the fellowship of other like-minded men. Come join us, as we continue our faithful journey and pilgrimage of hope toward the heavenly Jerusalem. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Kurtis at 647-378-3537 or email menofstfrancismi@gmail.com.

Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi

Throughout 2026, until January 2027, the Jubilee Year commemorating the 800th anniversary of the death of Saint Francis of Assisi will be celebrated.

Pope Leo has granted this Holy Year, inviting all the faithful to live a time of grace and sanctification.

Cardinal Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, has designated our parish, St. Francis of Assisi Church, in Mississauga, as an official pilgrimage church, where plenary indulgences can be obtained.

What is a plenary indulgence?

It is the remission before God of the temporal punishment for sins that have already been forgiven in confession. It can be received by baptized faithful who are in God's grace and not excommunicated. A plenary indulgence can be applied for oneself or for a deceased person (soul in Purgatory).

It is important to distinguish between:

- Eternal punishment, the consequence of mortal sin that separates us from God and makes us deserving of condemnation. Repentance and confession remove this punishment.
- Temporal punishment, the consequence of sin—venial or mortal—that requires purification in this life or in Purgatory. The plenary indulgence remits this temporal punishment, helping to purify the soul and draw us closer to holiness.

How can the plenary indulgence be obtained during the Year of Saint Francis?

1. Fulfill the usual conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father.
2. Participate in the Jubilee through pilgrimage to a church dedicated to Saint Francis or administered by Franciscans.
3. Spend time in prayer, including the Our Father, the Creed, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Francis, Saint Clare, and other Franciscan saints.

Those unable to travel, such as the sick or elderly, can unite themselves spiritually with the Jubilee celebrations and offer their prayers, sufferings, and daily hardships to God with a heart detached from sin.

Those seeking the plenary indulgence should foster Christian charity, peace, and harmony in their worship and daily life.

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