

## ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm Closed for Lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Monday, Sunday and Statutory Holidays CLOSED

We celebrate Memorial, Clubs, and Groups Masses according to the parish schedule as a regular intention.

We <u>DO NOT</u> celebrate Private Masses.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am

Wednesday & Friday 7:00 pm

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am (Italian) 10:30 am 12:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45 pm

and upon appointment

#### ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday to Saturday from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm

#### **BAPTISM**

To baptize your child at our Church, it is necessary for you to be registered with the Parish and attend Mass regularly. Baptisms are held most Saturdays of the month at 3:00 pm. For more information, please contact the office or visit our website.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Please contact the office at least one year in advance. Weddings are held at 12 pm on most Saturdays of the month.

HOME COMMUNION
Please call the Parish Office.

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please visit our website and download the fillable registration form. Once the form is completed, kindly submit it to the parish office.

#### SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED TO THE PARISH

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#### Mass Readings

First Reading: Baruch 5. 1-9

**Second Reading:** Philippians 1. 3-6, 8-11

Gospel: Luke 3. 1-6

#### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 7 December, 5:00 PM

+ Manuela Dolauidao

#### Sunday 8 December, 9:00 AM (Italian)

Immaculate Conception

#### Sunday 8 December, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

#### Sunday 8 December, 12:00 PM

+ Hoang Vu

#### Tuesday 10 December, 9:00 AM

+ Gerda Asenczuk

#### Wednesday 11 December, 7:00 PM

- + Virginia Giusto
- + Virginia de la Cruz
- + Crisanta Yee Hui
- + Dien Van Nguyen
- + Wilfredo Punzalan
- +Heavenly Birthday Blessings for Norma Brathwaite

Thanksgiving from the Almoceda Family

#### Thursday 12 December, 9:00 AM

+ Angela Malfara

#### Friday 13 December, 7:00 PM

- + Razouk Luka
- + Angela Osorio De Villa
- + Mario & Filomena Gulla
- + Gino & Dora Barberi
- + Giuseppe & Assunta Campanoro & Family
- + Deceased Members of the Lada Family

#### Confirmation

The next Confirmation Class will be on Saturday December 14 at 3:00 p.m.

#### First Holy Communion

The next First Communion Class will on Sunday December 15 at 10:00 a.m.

#### 2025 Offertory Envelope Pickup

The Offertory Envelopes for the year 2025 are available for pickup in the parish office.

#### Mass Book 2025

The 2025 Mass Book for Mass Intentions is now open!

Please visit the parish office to book mass intentions for the 2025 year.

#### As well, <u>please note the following CHANGES to the Daily Mass</u> Schedule starting January 2025:

- Tuesday & Wednesday 7:00 PM (English & Multi Intentions)
- Thursday & Friday 9:00 AM (English)
- Saturday 5:00 PM (English)
- Sunday 9:00 AM (Italian) 10:30 AM (English) 12:00 PM (English)

#### Bible Study – Wednesday December 11

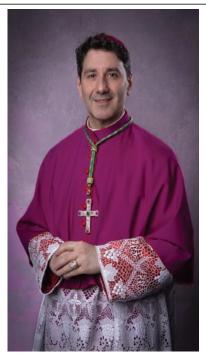
To deepen your understanding of this powerful Gospel, we invite you to join us for a Bible study with Mr. John Campanella.

Sessions will take place every Wednesday after the 7:00 pm Mass in the church hall. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. Come, learn, and journey with us.



I am sure you have heard that the Holy Father has appointed Archbishop Francis Leo to the College of Cardinals. This is a great honour not only for him but also for our Archdiocese, as he assumes this responsibility to serve the universal Church in an even greater capacity.

As a Cardinal, Archbishop Leo will assist the Pope in leading the Church and guiding the faithful worldwide. This appointment is a recognition of his deep faith, pastoral care, and commitment to the Gospel.



Let us pray for Cardinal Leo that the Holy Spirit may grant him wisdom, courage, and compassion as he embraces this new mission to serve God's people. May he continue to inspire us all by his example of faith and dedication.

We give thanks to God for this joyous moment and for the gift of his leadership in our Archdiocese.

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (DECEMBER 7–13 2024)

#### Advent Reconciliation Night

Our Parish's Advent Reconciliation Night will be taking place on **Thursday, December 19**, from 6 pm - 9 pm.

There will be several priests to hear confessions in a variety of languages. Mark your calendars!

#### **USHER'S MEETING**

There will be a Meeting for ALL Ushers on Thursday, December 12, 2024 @ 7:00pm in the Main Church.

If you are interested in joining the Usher team, please contact the Parish Office before December 10, 2024.

#### Your Talents Are God's Gift to the Our Parish

We call upon talented individuals in our parish to help us maintain and enhance our parish grounds and facilities.

Your expertise can make a difference! Whether it's small repairs, seasonal maintenance, or larger projects, your time and skills can help keep our parish a safe and welcoming space for everyone.

Ways You Can Help:

- Carpentry: Assist with repairs, building shelving, or helping with woodworking projects around the parish.
- Electrical Work: Help ensure our lighting and electrical needs are safe and well-maintained.
- **Plumbing:** Support with minor fixes, upkeep of bathrooms and kitchen areas, and checking our water systems.
- General Maintenance & Handyman Tasks: Pitch in with essential upkeep to keep our parish looking beautiful and well-kept.

If you're ready to offer your skills and join a team of dedicated parishioners, please contact us through the parish office.



#### Street Patrol - Saturday December 21, 2024

Join us in our monthly Street Patrol initiative; every third Saturday of the month, parishioners prepare and distribute food to the homeless in downtown Toronto. This program, started in 1995 and headquartered at St. Patrick's Parish, aims to serve those in need within our community.

At St. Joseph the Worker Parish, we support this cause by organizing our own Street Patrol. Each month, we gather at 9 am in the parish hall to prepare bagged lunches. We then travel downtown to distribute the food, returning to the parish by 3:00 PM.

If you can't participate in person, you can still help by donating supplies such as bread, deli meats, cheese, granola bars, juice boxes, and water bottles. Every donation counts!

For more information, please contact the parish office. We look forward to your support and participation in this meaningful service.

#### ShareLife update: Your gift will be matched!

Haven't yet made your annual contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign? Wait no longer! From November 1 until year end, your gift will be matched by an anonymous donor up to \$500,000. That means your compassionate generosity helps even more families in need, including those nourished through ShareLife's recently announced food programs. Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate.

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