

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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"The Measure of Love, is Love without Measure" - Saint Francis de Sales Our mission at St. Francis de Sales is to joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith, trusting that: if you are seeking Christ, you will find Him here. If grieving, you will receive comfort. If troubled in spirit, you will receive the blessing of peace without being judged. If discouraged, you will rejoice in hope. If alone, you will find companionship and Christian love. May our parish be a sanctuary of peace for you as we journey together to the Father's house.

8:30 am | 9:45 am | 11:00 am | 12:15 pm

Parish Hours

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY SUNDAY

5:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 9:30 am - 10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed to the public. For enquiries and support, please contact staff by phone or by email. Appointments can be booked if required.

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May we be a nation of people courageous and strong enough to acknowledge the truth of our past and seek peace and reconciliation with our brothers and sisters.

May we grow in understanding and compassion regarding the many peoples and communities that make up our nation.

May we prayerfully reflect on how we can support others, help the injured and bring forth the hope of healing and peace.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Matthew 5:9

UPDATE: Join us this week at the church for:

- Weekday Mass: Monday Saturday at 9:00am*
- Private Prayer: Tuesday to Friday from 9:30am to 12:30pm*
- Sacrament of Confession: Friday 9:30am to 10:00am
- Mass of Obligation: Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am/9:45am/11:00am and 12:15pm

On-line Weekend Reflection by Fr. Joe or Fr. David (see Home Page)
*Excluding statutory holidays. Times subject to change.

Space is limited to 25% capacity on a first-come-first-seated basis. See Bulletin Insert for details.



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 5	5 JULY
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9:00 AM S.I. CYNTHIA SHIM + CHRISTY CLAYTON

TUESDAY, 6 JULY

- 9:00 AM + CELINE ROCHE + ANNA FERRARO
- WEDNESDAY, 7 JULY 9:00 AM + ALEYKUTTY MUPPATHYIL

THURSDAY, 8 JULY

9:00 AM + NAOMI SUAZON

FRIDAY, 9 JULY

9:00 AM + OLIVE UNAS & ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DIOLATA FAMILY + ELIZABETH ZUZARTE + LINO CELAJES

SATURDAY, 10 JULY

- 9:00 AM NO MORNING MASS 5:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH SUNDAY, 11 JULY
- 8:30 AM + FRANCIS SEQUEIRA
- 9:45 AM + IVANKA ALBERT + CONSTANCE & GRACE VAZ + SHERWIN J. BORJA 11:00 AM AVAILABLE
- 12:15 PM + JOSE & JUSTINA MOURA AND FAMILY

Important Notice

Please note there will be no morning Mass on July 10 & 17 due to First Communion celebrations.

DAILY INTENTIONS

The parish office remains closed. If you would like to book a Mass Intention please email the parish office at <u>denise.ford@archtoronto.org</u>. Please include the full name for the Mass intention, and include your name and phone number.

<u>**R.C.I.C.**</u>

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

If you are interested in catechizing children from grades 3 to 6 for 1½ hours on Saturdays in the parish, please contact Dawn Selda at 905-683-1403 ext. 102 or dawnselda@archtoronto.org

These classes should begin in late November 2021 and conclude in April 2022. We will provide all the necessary material that you would need in teaching our children the sacraments. This teaching opportunity would greatly aid anyone seeking a pastoral letter or reference to teach in the Separate School Board.

MASS AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

Weekday Masses are 9:00 a.m. These days will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Our Sunday Mass Schedule is:

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:30am; 9:45am; 11:00am; 12:15pm. This will be on a first come first serve basis.

You are <u>required under the Durham Region By-law</u> and Cardinal Collins to wear a facemask inside the church building. **If you are ill, we ask that you stay home.**

Please arrive early, as there will be designated pews for you and/or families to be seated by an Usher. As you leave, there will be an offertory donation box by the Baptismal Font into which you may place your donations.

Confessions will be held on Fridays after the 9:00 a.m. Mass from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

ONLINE DONATIONS

Dear parishioners,

If you are not able to attend, but still wish to donate, here are the ways in which you can continue to support our parish at this time:

- Mail your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish or drop off to the parish locked mailbox by the office door, or drop off in the donations box at Mass.
- Online donations can be made at <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>. Simply click on the donate now icon, select St. Francis de Sales parish from the drop down menu and the fund you wish to donate to. This can be done as a onetime donation or as an ongoing monthly donation. It will give you a place to choose that option.
- Contribute through pre-authorized giving. You can obtain a form from the parish website. Mail the completed form and a voided cheque to the parish office. Or e-mail the form and a scanned copy or photo of a voided cheque to <u>development@archtoronto.org</u> for processing. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.

Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community.

Sl ShareLife

Due to Covid19 restrictions, the collection dates for ShareLife have been adjusted. Please note that you can donate to this year's ShareLife appeal at any time. You may place your donation in the offertory box located behind the baptismal font or give by way of credit card (by visiting <u>www.sharelife.org</u>), before the end of October which is the closing of the ShareLife Appeal for 2021. Thank you for your generosity.

To date we have collected \$37,948 (45%) of our Parish goal, which is \$84,800.

QUESTION & ANSWER

(This week we continue on with Cardinal Collins' statement on the Discovery of Children's Remains at former Kamloops Residential School). Frequently Asked Questions Regarding

Residential Schools

2. Is the Catholic Church assisting with the efforts to seek the truth in Kamloops and elsewhere?

Father Ken Thorson, current Superior of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, has reached out to the Tk'emlups te Secwépemc Chief Rosanne Casimir to offer assistance and to express sympathies following the discovery of the remains of 215 children on the grounds of the former school. Father Thorson has communicated that records from the Kamloops Indian Residential School are with the Royal British Columbia Museum and has indicated the order will assist in sharing any information regarding records at this and other locations where the order operated schools.

Among the groups of dioceses and religious communities that operated residential schools, there is a spirit of cooperation with Indigenous peoples with regards to personal records and information relating to the former schools. At the same time, there are also privacy rights, including those of Indigenous peoples who attended these schools, which need to be taken into consideration on a case by case basis.

3. Why aren't we hearing an apology from the Catholic Church in Canada?

There is no such entity as the Catholic Church of Canada. Each Catholic diocese and religious order is an independent legal entity. Despite this reality, in 1991, Canadian Catholic Bishops, along with leaders of men and women religious communities, issued a statement that "We are sorry and deeply regret the pain, suffering and alienation that so many experienced" at residential schools.

Approximately 16 out of 70 Roman Catholic dioceses in Canada were associated with the former residential schools, in addition to about three dozen out of over one hundred Catholic institutes (commonly referred to as religious orders). Each diocese and institute is corporately and legally responsible for its own actions.

Many of the dioceses or orders operating schools have offered apologies, dating back to the early 1990s. In recent days, many bishops throughout Canada have offered statements and introduced other initiatives to continue our ongoing path to truth and reconciliation.



FIRST COMMUNION

We are so excited to let you know that we have now set the new First Communion Mass dates. Please see the below First Communion schedule, and add them to your family calendar. We kindly ask you to check our parish website for further information on the preparations, the Friday rehearsal dates, and attire for your child's First Communion day. We are looking forward to seeing all the children soon!

- Saturday July 10 10am Virtual School Group A
- Saturday July 10 1pm Virtual Schools Group B
- Saturday July 17 10am St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Andre
- Saturday July 17 1pm St. Patrick and other Catholic schools

CONFIRMATION

The time has finally come where we can now safely celebrate our Confirmation Masses! Below you will find the schedule for our Confirmation Masses. Please head to the Confirmation page on our website for more information regarding the Confirmation Masses. If your child attended the Durham Catholic Virtual Elementary School prior to the lockdown please note the date under "Virtual School". Due to the limited capacity restrictions in the Church, changing dates will not be permitted.

- July 6, 2021: St. Catherine of Siena & St. Francis de Sales
- July 7, 2021: Virtual School
- July 8, 2021: St. Jude & Other Catholic
- July 13, 2021: St. Josephine Bakhita Group 1 (Last name A L) & St. André Bessette Group 1 (Last Names C M)
- July 14, 2021: St. Josephine Bakhita Group 2 (Last name M X) & St. André Bessette Group 2 (Last Names N W)
- July 15, 2021: St. Patrick & Public/Private

Question & Answer Cont'd...

A listing of some of the numerous apologies and other resources can be found at:

http://bit.ly/CCCBreconciliationDocuments

4. Did the Archdiocese of Toronto operate residential schools?

The Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools yet we share the collective grief and sorrow as the result of any representative of the Catholic Church inflicting pain or abuse on an individual, especially vulnerable children.

(Next week, we will continue on with the rest of the Cardinal's statement).



