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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.

Parish Hours

DAILY MASS

MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00 am

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 9:30 am - 10:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed to the public.
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A Novena in honour of the Year of Saint Joseph

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Saint Joseph, A Tender and Loving Father For Peace and Unity in Our Country

Saint Joseph, tender and loving father, we ask that you intercede with your Son, the Saviour of the world, that the people of Canada may know the peace which comes from God and be always united in a fraternal spirit.

Saint Joseph, An Obedient Father For an End to Racism and Discrimination

Saint Joseph, obedient father, we ask that you intercede with your Son, the Saviour of the world, that we may be given the wisdom and courage to address the persistent sins of racism and discrimination that we may work toward systems that support the dignity of every person and promote respect for all.



Saint Joseph, A Creatively Courageous Father For Youth and the Elderly

Saint Joseph, creatively courageous father, we ask that you intercede with your Son, the Saviour of the world, that we may honour and cherish the youth and the elderly by defending, protecting and caring for them, as you cared for your Son and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Saint Joseph, A Beloved Father For the Family, the Domestic Church

Saint Joseph, beloved father, we ask that you intercede with your Son, the Saviour of the world, for the domestic church, that its members may imitate the Holy Family in practising the virtues of Christian family life so that, one day, they may delight in eternal rewards.

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.

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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 12 JULY

9:00 AM S.I. SYNTHIA SHIM
+ ANTHIPOLO TACORDA
+ ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY

TUESDAY, 13 JULY

9:00 AM + STEPHEN CHOU
+ FLORENTINO DIOLATA SR AND ELISA
DIOLATA & ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF
THE DIOLATA FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, 14 JULY

9:00 AM + HELEN & BILL MCMENEMY
+ GLORIA C.STA. ANA

THURSDAY, 15 JULY

9:00 AM AVAILABLE

FRIDAY, 16 JULY

9:00 AM S.I. BONEY & RACHEL XAVIER
S.I. CYNTHIA SHIM
+ KAVITA PRIMSINGH LAL

SATURDAY, 17 JULY

9:00 AM **NO MORNING MASS**
5:00 PM S.I. DOREEN CLEMENTS
+ CONSTANCE & GRACE VAZ
+ ALICE SOARES

SUNDAY, 18 JULY

8:30 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH
9:45 AM + MARIANA CARVALHO
+ HAROLD CHAPESKIE
+ MANUEL & MARIA DE CONCEICAO
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11:00 AM AVAILABLE
12:15 PM + ANTONIO & LAURA MOURA & FAMILY
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Please note there will be no morning Mass on July 17 due to First Communion celebrations.

R.C.I.A.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

If you know of a non-Catholic in our neighbourhood who would like to join the Catholic Church, please have him or her phone Father Joe for an appointment. Our classes will begin in September.

R.C.I.C.

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 **required under the Durham Region By-law** 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 www.archtoronto.org. 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 development@archtoronto.org 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.



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 www.sharelife.org), 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 \$42,907 (51%) 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

5. Have Indigenous leaders met with the Pope?

Yes, in 2009, the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Phil Fontaine, along with other Indigenous representatives, had a moving encounter with Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican. In describing the meeting, Chief Fontaine told the media he hoped the expression of regret would "close the book" on the issue of apologies for residential school survivors.

Another attendee at the meeting with Pope Benedict, Edward John, Grand Chief of the First Nations Summit in British Columbia, said the Pope acknowledged the suffering of those who are still living with the effects of their experiences at the schools. In comments to the media he said, "I think in that sense, there was that apology that we were certainly looking for."

The Catholic Church continues to work alongside and with Indigenous communities in order to foster an ongoing culture of reconciliation. There have been, and continue to be, numerous initiatives by Catholic dioceses, institutes and organizations throughout Canada to assist with support the ongoing healing and reconciliation journey.

6. I understand there was a formal request in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report for the Pope to personally apologize in Canada?

The Holy Father has already been invited to Canada by the present and previous Prime Minister. The Catholic Bishops of Canada, including the current and past Presidents of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, have assured the Pope they would joyfully and gratefully welcome him in a visit to Canada. Likewise, in a number of instances, Canadian Bishops, individually and collectively, have formally invited Pope Francis to visit, including with specific reference to Call to Action #58 (a recommendation of the 2015 Truth & Reconciliation Commission asking the Holy Father to apologize on Canadian soil within one year of the report being issued).

Pope Francis has encouraged the Bishops to continue taking leadership and assuming their proper role in pursuing their pastoral engagement and reconciliation efforts with Indigenous peoples, including ongoing conversations among the Bishops and Elders.

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR JUNE 2021

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$60,000	\$31,281
MORTGAGE FUND	\$10,000	\$4,405
BUILDING FUND	\$5,000	\$2,648
DEBT OUTSTANDING		\$2,305,617

Thank you for your continued support!

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 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 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...

This work builds on past apologies, dialogue and the desire to move forward together. A formal papal visit involves a number of steps from both government and church leadership as well as significant logistical, financial commitments and other considerations. No papal visit has been publicly announced at this time.

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

Below quoted excerpt and photo from: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-07/pope-francis-good-wishes-prayers-recovery.html>

Outpour of good wishes and prayers for Pope Francis

Religious leaders, civil authorities and faithful across the world pray for Pope Francis' speedy recovery.



Vatican News staff writer

The Pope Emeritus, Church authorities, and world leaders across the globe have sent their assurances of prayers and good wishes to Pope Francis as he recovers from surgery in Rome's Gemelli Hospital.

The Pope underwent programmed surgery on Sunday evening and, according to medical bulletins, he is doing well.

The Director of the Holy See Press Office said on Tuesday Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI is praying for the Pope's speedy recovery.

Matteo Bruni said the Pope Emeritus' personal secretary, Archbishop Georg Ganswein, said "Pope Benedict is thinking of the Pope with affection and is praying for him".

A chorus of voices

Meanwhile a chorus of voices of closeness and support is reaching the Pope in hospital.

Amongst them the President of the Italian Episcopal Conference, Cardinal Gualtiero Bassetti, who said the faithful are hoping and praying they will see him appear again soon at the window of the Apostolic Palace for the Sunday Angelus.

The Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Bartholomew I, immediately sent a message of "Fraternal wishes for a speedy convalescence" adding that he trusts in the success of the operation, so that they may meet again soon "in order to carry out together the indispensable mission of unity, to which Christ calls us."

A message of good wishes from the Grand Imam of Al Azhar, Ahmad al-Tayyeb, addressed to "my dear brother" confirms the fraternal friendship that binds them and wishes him a quick recovery "that will return him to his mission for humanity."

"May the Lord sustain him with the tenderness of his love" was the prayer from the Anglican Center of Rome while the Chief Rabbi of Rome, Riccardo Segni tweeted: "My best wishes for a speedy recovery to the Pope who is facing a difficult surgery."

The Community of Sant'Egidio has also expressed closeness to the Pope and said that during its evening prayer dedicated to the sick, there is a special invocation and request for protection for Pope Francis, "so that he may soon return to health to fully exercise his ministry as a father and pastor."

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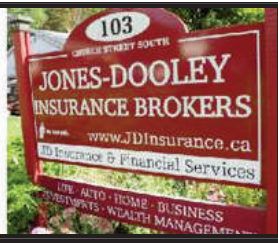


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