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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 - THURSDAY & SATURDAY 9:00 a.m.  
 FRIDAY 7:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 9:45 am | 11:00 am | 12:15 pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.  
 SATURDAY 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

#### OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY - SATURDAY 9:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m.

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# Celebrating Denise Ford

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on the occasion of her Retirement  
from St. Francis de Sales Parish  
and the Archdiocese of Toronto

**Saturday, September 18, 2021**

**9am Mass**

Followed by Outdoor Meet & Greet

No RSVP Required

Seating Limited



## Understanding Why TV and Online Mass does not fulfill your Catholic Obligation when dispensation ends\*

What we experience at Mass in the physical realm of the church is not a memory relived, but the living presence and witness of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The priest, through his anointed vocation, appeals to God to bring Christ to us in a physical incarnation within the Eucharist. We witness the transfiguration of bread into the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Heaven and God fill the sacred space in which we gather. Angels, saints and the holy people of Heaven join with us in praise. Through the Eucharist and the priest's blessing as Christ's representative, we are united with Jesus in the same way as those who heard Him and saw Him more than two thousand years ago. This experience is unique to those attending Mass within a church. We then carry His love and His Word into the world.

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## THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER**

9:00 AM + DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE VOLNEY  
AND HENRY FAMILIES  
+ MAY ANTHONY & MEHMOOD ALI  
KHAN  
+ PASKINA & ANTHONY ALEXANDER

**TUESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER**

9:00 AM + FR. TERENCE FAY  
+ ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY

**WEDNESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER**

9:00 AM S.I. CLIVE CASTILINO  
+ BUENAVENTURA BASTILLO

**THURSDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER**

9:00 AM S.I. SHEILA WIJERANTE

**FRIDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER**

7:00 PM + ELEUTERIA MEJIA-ORO  
+ MARGARITA ILLUMIN  
+ FERNANDO VELASCO SR.

**SATURDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER**

9:00 AM S.I. DENISE FORD  
S.I. FOR LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS  
OF THE FORD & GREEN FAMILIES  
S I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR OUR BLESSED  
5:00 PM MOTHER  
FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

**SUNDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER**

8:30 AM AVAILABLE  
+ CONSTANCE & GRACE VAZ

9:45 AM

+ ANNA & TERENCE JOSEPH

11:00 AM + EDERLINDO DEMETILLO

+ TIMOTEO DARADAL

12:15 PM + FERNANDO VELASCO SR.

+ DANIEL MENARD

### 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 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. and Saturdays from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.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](http://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](mailto: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.

### WELCOME & FAREWELL



We would like to welcome Vanessa Lowing as our new parish secretary. At the same time, we wish God's many blessings upon Denise Ford, as she retires from her position as parish secretary this fall, and her family as they relocate homes.

### VOCATIONS

"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto** at 416-968-0997 or email

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or visit [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



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**REFLECTION**

Jesus’s everyday language was Aramaic, although as a Jewish boy he would have learned to read and pray in Hebrew. Even as the Jews adopted the more widespread Aramaic, a language related to Hebrew, they preserved the Scriptures in the language in which God had revealed himself. It is not that they were completely against translations, as Jewish scholars produced the Greek Septuagint in Egypt, but they realized no translation could perfectly capture the meaning of revelation, because it was bound to the vocabulary and culture of the Hebrews. As the Italians say: *traduttore, traditore*—“to translate is to betray.” Preserving an ancient language also preserves the ideas, memories, and customs encapsulated by that language, elements that are essential to preserving a cultural and religious identity.

Greek was also a common language in Palestine during the life of Jesus. It was not a giant leap, therefore, for the evangelists and Paul to write in that language. This linguistic shift certainly also entailed inculturation, the use of culture to translate ideas and practices. Greek thinking met God’s revelation in the writing of the New Testament, a providential meeting of East and West in the ancient world. This first inculturation was so important for the Church that Christians even in Rome prayed in Greek for two centuries. Although Latin, ironically the vernacular of the time, eventually made its way into the liturgy, we still pray with remnants of the original Greek, especially *Kyrie eleison*, Greek for “Lord, have mercy.” Jerome’s vulgate translation of the Bible into Latin played a huge role in the inculturation of the faith for Roman Christians.

(Retrieved from Staudt, R Jared:  
<https://sjvlaydivision.org/sacred-language/>)

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR AUGUST 2021**

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
<b>SUNDAY OFFERTORY</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>\$40,415</b>
<b>MORTGAGE FUND</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$5,132</b>
<b>BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$2,932</b>
<b>DEBT OUTSTANDING</b>		<b>\$2,280,735</b>

**Thank you for your continued support!**



It’s that time!

We are so excited to begin the 2021-2022 sacramental year! We have dropped off the First Reconciliation/Communion and Confirmation registration packages to all of our grade 2, 3, 7 and 8 teachers in on 6 Parish schools. If your child attends virtual school, public/private or other catholic school outside of our Parish or if your child is in a higher grade, please contact us at the Parish to arrange a time to pick up the registration package. Please also remember to attend the mandatory registration meetings on the following dates to hand in the completed registration packages:

**Confirmation**

**Monday September 20<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm**

**First Reconciliation and First Communion**

**Wednesday September 22<sup>nd</sup> or Thursday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm**

Please see our Parish website for further information. We look forward to meeting all of our sacramental families soon!

**PASTORAL LETTER ON STEWARDSHIP**



His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins has written a pastoral letter on Stewardship to the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto. To read this letter you can go to:

<file:///C:/Users/Denise%20Ford/Downloads/Cardinal%20Collins%20Pastoral%20Letter%20on%20Stewardship%20booklet.pdf>

**LIFE CHAIN**

Life Chain is a prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Participants pray and hold non-graphic signs with messages such as “Life, the first inalienable right” and “Abortion kills children” at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. Please join us at the corner of Westney Rd & Hwy 2 (Kingston Rd.) on Sunday October 3 from 2-3p.m. Be prepared to follow all local COVID-19 Protocols. This is a family-friendly event appropriate for people of all ages and backgrounds and a unique opportunity to provide our neighbours a much needed message of love, hope, and truth.

# Save lives this fall

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## Online Bereavement Introductory Program

### Program Objective

The *Online Bereavement Introductory Program* offers both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. The program provides 4 weeks of psycho-education, which assists and accompanies the bereaved in exploring grief, experiencing healing and renewing faith. The program resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time will be allocated for group discussion.

### Program Goals

- Understanding the fundamentals of grief and mourning
- Explaining the transitional dynamics of loss
- Developing skills for emotional management and practical care
- Renewing faith and rediscovery of personal spirituality

### Program Access

The ideal candidate is ready and able to participate in a group setting. Each candidate will be screened, prior to being considered for admittance into the program.

**Start date & time: Wednesday September 22, 2021 @ 7:00 pm**

**Total cost:** no charge

**Contact:** For more information and to register please contact:

Arcangelo Limanni, MRE (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225 [alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com)

We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds.

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New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or the death of a loved one.



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New Beginnings Presents:

## Online Separated/Divorced Introductory Program

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