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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 9:00 am  
 FRIDAY 7:00 pm  
 SATURDAY 9:00 am

#### SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm | 7:00 pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm  
 SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

#### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm (closed MONDAY)  
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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 is Love without Measure"*  
 – Saint Francis de Sales

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# The Transfiguration of the Lord

"If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24

In the Transfiguration, God testifies to Jesus's divinity. Preceding this, it is affirmed that Jesus will go to Jerusalem to conquer death. He leads humanity through an Exodus of spiritual slavery to freedom. Each of us is called to follow Him in our own Exodus and transfiguration.



"We must also be transformed by becoming humbler and more selfless, sharing love, compassion and forgiveness with others. But in our everyday lives, we often fail to recognize Jesus when he appears to us "transfigured," hidden in someone who is in some kind of need.... With the eyes of Faith, we must see Jesus in every one of our brothers and sisters, the children of God we come across each day and, by His grace, respond to Him with love and service."

Source of Quote:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2020-03/sunday-reflection-vatican-news.html>



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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 8 AUGUST**

9:00 AM S.I. NEETA GOMES  
S.I. CYNTHIA & PERRY SHIM  
+ RODERICK CHIN

**TUESDAY, 9 AUGUST**

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING  
+ WILLIAM WALSH

**WEDNESDAY, 10 AUGUST**

9:00 AM + LAWRENCE DIAS  
+ BILL OLSEN

**THURSDAY, 11 AUGUST**

9:00 AM + MICKEY MCCUE  
+ NURJECHAN PREMJI  
+ GRACE DEMONTE

**FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST**

7:00 PM S.I. JESSICA DEMATTOS  
+ DESMOND DIAS  
+ MARTY CRUCIANO

**SATURDAY, 13 AUGUST**

9:00 AM + THELMA MARECHEAU  
+ IMELDA & ABELARNO CHICHIOCO

5:00 PM + ROGER FISCHER  
+ F.X. DINH VAN TRANG

**SUNDAY, 14 AUGUST**

8:30 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH  
10:15 AM + EVIN ANDREWS  
+ FLORIE D'SOUSA

12:00 PM AVAILABLE

7:00 PM AVAILABLE



The parish office will be closed on **ALL Mondays** for the summer months of July and August.

**MASS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on **Wednesday August 17 at 7pm.**

Cemetery locations include:

- Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga
- Christ the King Cemetery, Markham
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill
- Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge
- Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby
- St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie



Thank you for all that you are doing for the ShareLife campaign. We are very grateful for your generosity and support. **To date, we have collected \$59,056 for the ShareLife appeal. This is 86% of our parish goal, which is \$69,000.** You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card. To donate online go to: [www.sharelife.org](http://www.sharelife.org)



**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

If you know of a non-Catholic living in our neighbourhood, who would like to join the Catholic Church, please have him or her phone Fr. Joe at 905-683-1403 ext. 105 for an appointment. Our classes will begin in **mid-September 2022.**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**



If you are a high school student who would like to fulfil your hours of community service, the parish is offering for the summer, experience in its garden. If you are interested, please connect with the office to leave your name and contact information.

**CANADIAN MISSIONS**

**On the weekend of August 13/14, there will be a second collection for the Canadian Missions.** This collection supports remote diocese in NWT and in northern Alberta as well as Catholic Missions in Canada. CMIC fosters and extends blessings of the Catholic faith by supporting many missions in many regions of our country where the population is too small, or the economic situation of the community is too fragile for the people themselves to support their local Church and its ministry. We thank you in advance for your generosity with this appeal.

**A CATHOLIC CACKLE**

Need a little laughter to brighten your day? Check out the joke below.

**What do you call a priest in charge of the school play?**

- A Spiritual director!



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## BAPTISMAL PREPARATION HELP



If you would like to assist our priests or deacon with Baptisms on Sunday, please email your name and phone number to the parish office.



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them..." (Mt 19:14). The Children's Liturgy is a vibrant ministry for children in JK, SK, and Grade 1, where the Liturgy of the Word is presented to children in a way that is fun and easy to understand. **If you are over the age of 18 and are interested in being a catechist for this ministry, please contact the parish office.**



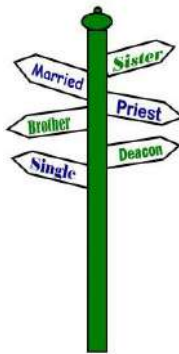
The Altar Server Ministry is a lively and active group here at St. Francis de Sales for youth in grade 3 and up who have received their First Holy Communion and are interested in taking on a more active role during the celebration of Mass. Altar servers assist the members of the liturgical assembly by presenting and arranging vessels and other items used in the celebrations. Their reverent and efficient service enables other ministries to attend to their own roles while the liturgical actions unfold with calm, order, and appropriate decorum. **If you are interested in joining this ministry, please email [altarservers.sfds@gmail.com](mailto:altarservers.sfds@gmail.com) for more information.**

## VOCATIONS

"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen". What do you hope for in the future? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997

Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

Visit: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



Words of Wisdom:  
**"Nothing is so strong as gentleness,  
 nothing so gentle as real strength".**  
 St. Francis de Sales



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**Attention parents of our grade 1 students (and students in grades 2-6 who have not received First Holy Communion)!**

As we get closer to the end of another wonderful school year, we wanted to include some information to think about over the summer. Your child in Grade 2, with the help of our Catholic teachers, the sacramental team and our priests, will be preparing for two great sacraments; that of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. It is a very important year in your child's formation as a Catholic individual. We are happy to embark upon this special year with you and your family. **In September, we will be having an Information/Registration meeting at the Church for you and your child that must be attended in order to receive the sacraments during the 2022/2023 year.** The registration forms will be given to the students in our 6 Parish schools by their grade 2 teachers in September. All other registration forms can be picked up at the Parish office in September. May God bless you and keep you and your family safe during your summer holidays. We look forward to seeing all of you at our registration meeting in September!

## CONFIRMATION

**Attention grade 6 students and parents:**

Next school year, your child in grade 7 will have the opportunity to embark on a journey towards receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is a decision that brings you to a point of spiritual maturity as you complete your sacraments of initiation and launches you into another phase of Catholic Christian relationship with Jesus.

We invite your family over the summer months, to spend some time in prayer and discussion to decide if you would like to have your child receive Confirmation. In September, registration forms will be given to the students in our 6 Parish schools by their grade 7 teachers. All other registration forms can be picked up at the Parish office in September. **There will be a mandatory Information/Registration meeting at the Church for those who would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation during the 2022/2023 school year.** We pray that you and your family have a safe and enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing you at Mass each week and in September at our registration meeting.

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