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March 31st, 2024

He is not here.
 He has risen.
 Just as
 He said.
 Matthew 28:6

Our mission : We joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith. 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

HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm
 SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
 or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm
 SUNDAY 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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www.stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org

He is RISEN

Alleluia

May Christ's loving sacrifice for mankind
be manifested in your heart.
Through Faith and Hope
let us live each day imitating His love.

Then he said to them all, 'If any want to
become my followers, let them deny
themselves and take up their cross daily and
follow me. For those who want to save their
life will lose it, and those who lose their life
for my sake will save it.

Luke 9:23-24

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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 1 APRIL

9:00 AM S.I. HELEN KOTES
+ CAITAN & ALEXANDRINE SOARES

TUESDAY, 2 APRIL

9:00 AM + ARTHIMIZIA FERNANDES
+ PHILOMINA KRISHNAPILLAI
+ CHARLES & ALICE SOARES

WEDNESDAY, 3 APRIL

9:00 AM S.I. TOM KOTES
+ NAPOLEON MENEZ SR.
+ ESTRELLA, ERNESTO & IMELDA FRANCIJA

THURSDAY, 4 APRIL

9:00 AM + SIMON & SYLVIA D'SOUZA

FRIDAY, 5 APRIL

7:00 PM + JOSEPH COUTHINO

SATURDAY, 6 APRIL

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR MALCOLM GOMES
+ BASIL RICHARD
+ REY PADUA

5:00 PM + JOHN CHOU
+ MICHAEL ELLUL
+ GEORGE & FATIMA D'SOUZA

SUNDAY, 7 APRIL

8:30 AM S.I. NADIA HOOD
S.I. DELRINE MECHALLENGE
+ MANUELA NUNES
10:15 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH
12:00 PM S.I. REV. FR. MELITO DIAS
+ NOEL & MELANIE RABOT
+ IVAN VIOLET & OWEN PENN
7:00 PM + HERMAN SHIM



Please note, the parish office will be closed on Monday 1 April due to the Easter Monday holiday. Have a Happy Easter!



Happy Easter!

FROM THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH

God, may we feel the warm embrace of your love on this sacred day.
May the glory of Jesus's resurrection remind us that with You, nothing is impossible or without hope.
We pray in Your name.
Amen.



EASTER PRAYER AND THANKS

May the Loving Sacrifice
Christ made for Mankind
Bring you close to Him at the Easter
And as you bow your head to pray
May your heart be blessed
With the light of Love and Hope
That Christ made manifest
in His Crucifixion and Resurrection.

On Behalf of Fr. Derek, Deacon Damian, Deacon Alban and the rest of the pastoral team, I wish you all a Blessed Easter.



St. Francis de Sales will have a Holy Hour dedicated to Divine Mercy on **Sunday 7 April** from **2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and reconciliation. To pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet visit: www.divinemercury.org

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*“Unless there is Good Friday in your life,
there can be no Easter Sunday.”*

– Fulton J. Sheen



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www.stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org

SVDP BUNDLE SUNDAY

Calling all Spring Cleaners! The St. Vincent de Paul society will be collecting gently used clothing and linens on the weekend of April 6/7. You can drop off your items at the truck that will be located in the east parking lot. Please note they are not accepting any appliances, furniture, mattresses or dishes.



The next Life Teen night is scheduled for April 6th at 7 pm and Edge is on April 12th at 7:30 pm. Registration for Edge Camp for students in grades 5 to 8 & high school leadership camp is now open. To register for either camp please visit edgencamp.campbrainregistration.com. For questions and information regarding the camps please email Noah Aquino at youth.sfds@gmail.com

The youth of the parish would like to thank all parishioners for their generous donations throughout our “40 Days of Giving Campaign”.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Our housekeeper/cook, Dianne Bloise, will be retiring this year. We will miss her greatly. The position is 3 days per week. If you are interested in the position of housekeeper/cook, please email Father Joe directly at sfdspastor@gmail.com or drop off your resume at the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Happy Easter! I pray that you are all having a beautiful weekend, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus.

We will continue with the First Communion preparation classes beginning in April for our six parish schools and the children attending the RCIC classes. We know that many families are beginning to look for your child’s First Communion attire. Please see below for the guidelines:

Boys -in their Sunday best with white dress shirt and dark pants

-preferably in a suit but not necessary -First Communion arm bands are allowed

Girls -in a white or off-white dress -no gloves, no purses and no veil covering the face

For both boys and girls: no running shoes, no prayer books, and no rosary beads during the time of Mass

We look forward to seeing the children at Mass as they prepare to receive Jesus on their First Communion Day!

CONFIRMATION

Students who did not attend the Lenten Reconciliation night, must go to confession before their Confirmation. There are no classes this week due to the Easter weekend. **Classes will resume on April 7/8.** Below you will find the Confirmation rehearsal dates; **attendance is mandatory for candidates and their parent(s).** Sponsors are welcome to attend if they are available and in the area. **Confirmation candidates are expected to wear their Sunday best. Please keep in mind that they will be wearing gowns.** Even though you may be picking up your child “quickly” and leaving right away, please **DO NOT** use the accessible parking unless you are parking for Mass or going to the parish office. We thank you for your cooperation. We wish all of our families a Blessed and Happy Easter. God Bless!

School Group	Confirmation Rehearsal Date	Confirmation Mass Date
St. Josephine Bakhita	Tuesday, April 16 at 7pm	Monday, April 22, 2024 at 7pm
St. Jude	Tuesday, April 16 at 7pm	Monday, April 22, 2024 at 7pm
St. Catherine of Siena	Wednesday, April 17 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 7pm
St. André Bessette/Virtual	Wednesday, April 17 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 7pm
Public/Private	Wednesday, April 17 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 7pm
St. Patrick	Saturday, April 20 at 10am	Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7pm
St. Francis de Sales	Saturday, April 20 at 10am	Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7pm
Other Catholic	Saturday, April 20 at 10am	Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7pm



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