ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.

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DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY, SATURDAY 9:00 am FRIDAY 7:00 pm

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 Anytime by appointment

DEVOTIONS

Adoration & Holy Hour: FRIDAY 6pm -7pm

Office Hours

TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm **SATURDAY** 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm **SUNDAY** 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

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Dear Parishioners,

For 10 years, a dedicated group of volunteers have worked with our valued bulletin advertisers to raise \$100,000 collectively in ad revenues for our church mortgage. This has been a wonderful partnership which is to be celebrated with gratitude. Although this partnership has now concluded, it is important to recognize that a great service has been made to our parish community. Moving forward, I look forward to working with parishioners in new ways to raise funds for the mortgage and our parish.

Starting Thanksgiving weekend, Liturgical Publications will manage the printing and advertising of our parish bulletin. If you are interested in becoming a new advertiser, please contact Liturgical Publications directly by calling:

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May God bless and protect you each and all of you,

Rev. Fr. Joseph Singh

Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, 25 AUGUST

9:00 AM S.I. CHIDINMA, LAURETTE, DOTUN TALABI

TUESDAY, 26 AUGUST

9:00 AM + VERNON FERNANDES

WEDNESDAY, 27 AUGUST

9:00 AM S.I. BLESSINGS FOR TEDDY & FAMILY

S.I. CLARA VAZ & FAMILY

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+ ALBERTO MARTINS + ANNA MAIORANO + JOSEFINA TOLENTINO

+ IAN LOWING

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THURSDAY, 28 AUGUST

9:00 AM + ANNA ASGARALI

FRIDAY, 29 AUGUST

7:00 PM + AUDREY ALEMAO

+ FELY CALLEJO

+ ANPAVO CANDA

+ RAMON DOMINGUEZ + CHERYL ANN ANTHONY

+ CRESCENCIA M. CARVALHO

SATURDAY, 30 AUGUST

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR RAJ RATNARAJ

& SAM YOGANATHAN

5:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, 31 AUGUST

8:30 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS

RECEIVED FOR THE ESTERON FAMILY

10:15 AM + HELEN KOTES

12:00 PM + MICHAEL SFERRUZZI

7:00 PM NO EVENING MASS

SUNDAY 7PM MASS

Please note, there will be no Sunday 7pm Mass from June 29th to August 31st. The Sunday 7pm Mass will resume on September 7th.



Couples who wish to be married in the Catholic Church are asked to contact the parish office at least one year in advance of their desired wedding date. This allows time for necessary marriage preparation, gathering sacramental documents (such as a recent baptismal certificate), and completing the required civil marriage license or banns process. Both parties must be free to marry according to Church law, and participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is required. For more information or to begin the process, please contact the parish office.

SL ShareLife

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 \$72,965 for the ShareLife appeal. This is 70% of our parish goal, which is \$104,000. You may also choose to give to the ShareLife appeal by way of credit card. To donate online go to: 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 2025.**



Do you have a child in grades 2-6, who has not received the sacrament of Baptism, First Reconciliation or First Communion? If so, we have our next RCIC preparation program starting in the fall. We invite you to attend the First Reconciliation/ First Communion registration meeting in September for all the details on the RCIC program. The dates will be in our Parish bulletin by the first week of September and they will also be included on our Parish website under First Reconciliation/ Communion. We look forward to meeting you soon and to preparing your child to be united to Jesus in a very special way.



VOCATIONS

The Lord is calling people from the East and West and from North and South as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers. Are you one of them? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997. vocations@archtoronto.org

Let us pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.



Visit our NEW website:

www.stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org





The D&P National Office has sent a notice to members that the federal government is requesting input until August 28th for its upcoming budget. See Canadian Budget Survey for the brief questionnaire which offers an opportunity under "other" to mention issues such as peace, justice, respect for the environment and preferential option for the poor, which are all central to Catholic Social Teaching and the dignity of all.



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. Children's liturgy will resume Sunday September 21 at the 10:15am Mass. If you are an inspiring teacher or interested in volunteering with our ministry, please email marvsiit@gmail.com



We are currently seeking volunteers to serve as Eucharistic Ministers during Mass. If you feel called to this sacred ministry, please contact the parish office for more information.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION HELP

We are looking for volunteers to assist our priests and deacon with Baptism. Baptisms occur two Sundays a month. If you would like to assist with Baptisms on Sunday, please email your name and phone number to the parish office.





We are in need of ministers of hospitality, especially for the 12pm Mass, to greet and assist parishioners with practical details so that the Sunday Mass can be celebrated with ease and grace. If this is something you would like to do to help fellow parishioners please contact Fr Joe, Fr Derek or Beryl Lowe.

Sacraments

CONFIRMATION

Attention all families with students in Grade 6: 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. As taught in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Confirmation is a personal decision made by the individual. We invite your family over the summer months, to spend some time in prayer and discussion to decide if you/your child will receive Confirmation in the new year. In September, registration forms will be given to the students in our six Parish family of schools. All other registration forms can be picked up at the Parish. There will be a mandatory Information/Registration meeting at the Church for those who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation during the 2025/2026 school year. If your child has already decided that they would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please prepare copies of your Child's Baptism Certificate, Sponsor's Baptism Certificate & Sponsor's Confirmation Certificate. We pray that you and your family have a safe and enjoyable summer.

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 end 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 2025/2026 school 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!



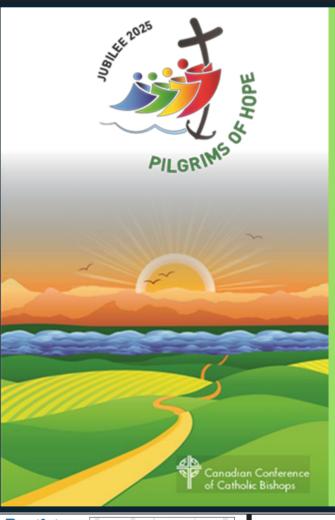


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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

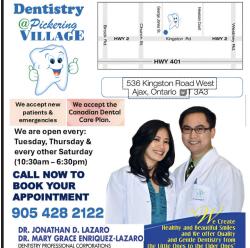
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Franciscus

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