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THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2nd, 2025



Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your Only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so may we be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

— Amen

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 9:00 am SATURDAY

SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY SUNDAY

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

9:30 am - 12:30 pm 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

HOLY HOUR FRIDAY

6:00 pm - 7:00pm

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY

8:30 am - 1:30 pm

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And inspired by the Spirit he came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

"Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;

for mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to thy people Israel."

"...Simeon...singles out Jesus as the Savior, not only of Israel but of the world.... But here in the Temple there is also pain. The old prophet, moved by the Holy Spirit, tells Mary that she will experience unspeakable grief because of the outrageous way the world would judge and treat her Son. But Mary remained always committed to God's will and to her Son."

Source: https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/february-2-presentation-of-the-lord-feast/



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MASS INTENTIONS

- **MONDAY, 3 FEBRUARY**
- 9:00 AM S.I. HEALING FOR JULIANA NORONHA S.I. LORENZO & MARIA SUNICO
- **TUESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY**
- 9:00 AM S.I. THANKSGIVING FOR SAMUEL PAUL & FAMILY S.I. HEALING FOR JULIANA NORONHA + BENJAMIN LAKRO
- WEDNESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY
- 9:00 AM S.I. HEALING FOR JULIANA NORONHA + JOSE DE MELO BOTELHO + SHERWIN DIQUE
- **THURSDAY, 6 FEBRUARY**
- 9:00 AM S.I. HEALING FOR JULIANA NORONHA + TITO CAGULADA
- FRIDAY, 7 FEBRUARY
- 7:00 PM S.I. HEALING FOR JULIANA NORONHA + ROSE LOSTRACCO
 - + MARIA SAMUELS & MONICA ELAINE CAMPBELL
- SATURDAY, 8 FEBRUARY
- 9:00 AM + DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MAIORANO FAMILY + LOLITA SANTOS
- 5:00 PM + VINCENT RODRIGUES + MARIA SAMUELS & MONICA ELAINE CAMPBELL + VICTOR DA SILVA
- SUNDAY, 9 FEBRUARY
- 8:30 AM S.I. ANNE & IAN RUDOLFO S.I. IN THANKSGIVING + MARIA SAMUELS & MONICA ELAINE CAMPBELL
- 10:15 AM + MARIA & MANUEL CHAVES AND FAMILY + FE DAGUMAN + MAUREEN HOWARD 12:00 PM S.I. KISHMA VINCENT & FAMILY
 - + JOHN COUTINHO
 - + ANTHONY FREDERICKS
- 7:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

VOCATIONS

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. 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.** <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>



Jubilee 2025

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

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 share 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, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



JUBILEE OF YOUTH 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from July 23rd to August 5th, 2025. Please contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary.

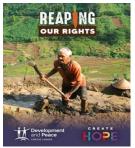
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Lift Jesus Higher Rally Toronto "Power From on High" March 29, 2025 9am to 5:30pm Metro Toronto Convention Centre Adult Rally \$55 Youth Rally \$40

To purchase tickets (price includes admission and transportation), please email Noah Aquino at <u>youth.sfds@gmail.com</u>., For more information on the rally visit <u>www.ljhr.ca</u>

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DEVELOPMENT & PEACE



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada invites you to join the Create Hope: Reaping Our Rights campaign. Peasant and rural communities in the Global South are facing challenges such as land grabbing, resource theft and the contamination of soil and water by private corporations.

Let's ensure that no Canadian company tramples on their rights by calling on Canada to adopt mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation! Sign at devp.org/act!

To learn more about peasants' rights and due diligence, visit devp.org/campaign, or speak with us at our table after the Saturday 5PM mass and after each Sunday mass next weekend.

For more ways to get involved, email Joe Modeste: jmo1714@rogers.com.



Thank-you to those who have made their preorders in support of the youth in the parish. Orders will be made available for pick up after Mass the weekend of March 1 and 2. If you missed making your preorder last weekend, don't worry! We will have a limited supply of donuts to sell that same weekend while supplies last. We thank you again for your continued support and generosity. For questions or further inquiries, please contact Noah Aquino at youth.sfds@gmail.com



"My love for Christ grows constantly stronger. It is better to die for the faith than to live in denial of it." -St. Agatha

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



CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation classes have begun. Please keep note of the class day which your child has been assigned. We kindly ask that students are dropped off 10 minutes before the class begins to ensure that we start on time. Students should have already received their books. These books are yours to keep. Remember to bring your own pencil or pen as we unfortunately don't have a sufficient supply to provide our Confirmandi.

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 look forward to learning and growing in our faith together as we journey to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in May.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We're continuing to prepare the children in class for their First Reconciliation on Saturday February 22, 2025. Please see below for the First Reconciliation times for each school group.

School	First Reconciliation & Passport Review #2	
St. Andre Bessette	Saturday February 22 nd at 1:00 p.m.	
Public/Private/Other Catholic Schools	Saturday February 22 nd at 1:00pm	
St. Francis de Sales	Saturday February 22 nd at 10:00am	
St. Josephine Bakhita	Saturday February 22 nd at 1:00pm	
St. Jude	Saturday February 22 nd at 10:00am	
St. Catherine of Siena	Saturday February 22 nd at 1:00pm	
St. Patrick	Saturday February 22 nd at 10:00am	



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- □ CONSOLATION & HOPE
- □ CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
- □ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
- □ LEGION OF MARY
- ROSARY APOSTOLATE (school visits)
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