

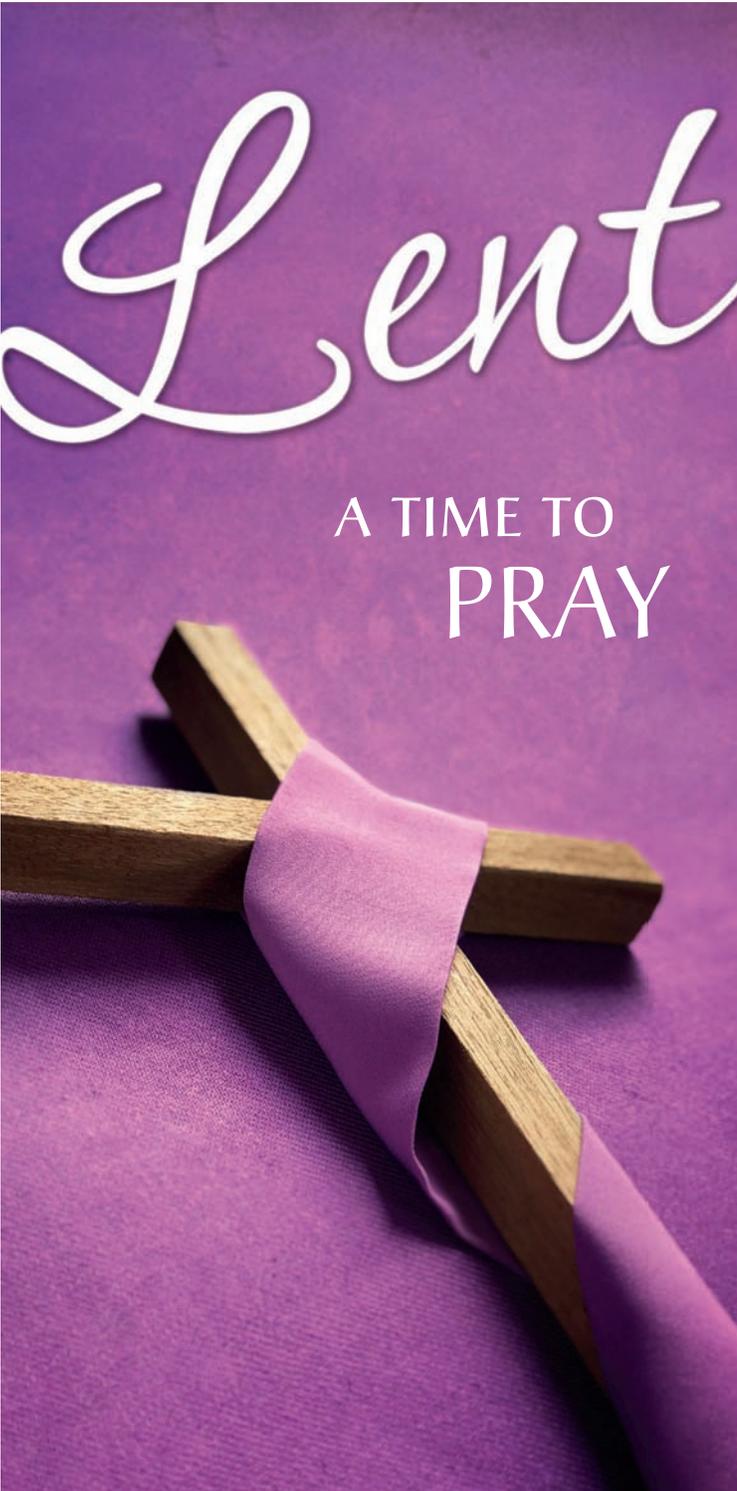


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 March 8th, 2026



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### 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 - 4:00 pm (church open until 5pm)  
 SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 9 MARCH**

9:00 AM + VICTORIA THOMAS & ABDULL MESSIH THOMAS

**TUESDAY, 10 MARCH**

9:00 AM + NAOMI SUAZON

**WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH**

9:00 AM + ASUNTA FERNANDO  
 + JERRY & CONNIE D'SOUZA  
 + JESUS B. MISAGON  
 + ARTHUR RONALD SR NAVASERO  
 + EDZEL VELOSO

**THURSDAY, 12 MARCH**

9:00 AM + INNOCENCIO & JOSEPHINE PACHECO

**FRIDAY, 13 MARCH**

6:30 PM S.I. LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ESPINHERO FAMILY  
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 + IAN LOWING

**SATURDAY, 14 MARCH**

9:00 AM + HARRISON PERERA  
 5:00 PM + DOROTHY HESLOP

**SUNDAY, 15 MARCH**

8:30 AM + THIRUNAMUM NAGAMANI  
 10:15 AM + MANUEL & MARIA CHAVES AND FAMILY  
 12:00 PM + TERESA & LESLIE D'SILVA  
 7:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH



**Please Note:** Fr. Joe has cancelled the Sunday 7pm Mass on March 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the March Break.

**2025 TAX RECIEPTS**

Thank you to everyone who made an offertory donation to our parish. Your generosity is truly appreciated. **Please note that your 2025 parish tax receipts have been processed and mailed to you from the Archdiocese.**



**VOCATIONS**



“But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty.” Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, **contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**Visit our website:**

<https://stfrancisdesales.archtoronto.org/>

**LENTEN CONFESION NIGHT**

On **Wednesday March 25th**, St Francis de Sales will have its annual Lenten Confession Evening from **7-10 PM**. There will be many priests available for confessions. Please take advantage of this opportunity as it will be your last chance before the celebration of Holy Week.



**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**Fridays during Lent:** 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adoration  
 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mass  
 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**40 CANS FOR LENT**



During Lent, Catholics are asked to alleviate another's misfortune and through the 40 Cans for Lent Program, your council can bring the joy of the Resurrection to those in need.

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

Collect one can of food per day during the 40 days of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday and then one extra can per person on Easter Sunday. Drop off your cans any time throughout the Lenten season in the designated boxes in the church foyer and they will be distributed to those in need. Thank you for your generosity!



During the season of Lent, there is a board of envelopes in the foyer for “40 Days of Giving”. We invite you to collect an envelope of your choice to support the youth of our parish as they continue to grow as strong disciples of Christ. We thank you for your generosity! **Our next Edge night will be on March 13<sup>th</sup>!**



Our Share Life contribution total for 2025 was **\$94,011**, which was **94%** of our goal of **\$104,000**. Our suggested ShareLife goal for **2026** is **\$102,000**. **The dates for our Share Life collection are March 22, April 26 and May 31.** We thank-you for your continued generosity. 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)

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY 2026**

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$60,000	\$49,575
MORTGAGE FUND	\$10,000	\$5,690
BUILDING FUND	\$5,000	\$5,368
DEBT OUTSTANDING		\$1,309,097

**MARIAN CELEBRATIONS**

Mark your calendars! His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, will be hosting a Day with Mary on May 30, 2026 at Villanova College in King City. The Archdiocese of Toronto will also have its consecration to Mary on Wednesday March 25. More information on registration will follow in the coming weeks!



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

**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 March 21/22. 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 CWL General Meeting will be held **on March 11 at 7:00pm**. Ladies of the parish are invited to attend if you are interested to learn more about the CWL or want to join.

**Please note, Children's Liturgy will be on hold for the March Break from March 15-22. We will resume our program on March 29. Thank you and we wish all the children a blessed break!**



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to all the children on receiving the beautiful sacrament of First Reconciliation last weekend. If your child was unable to attend, please contact Mrs Selda as soon as possible, as this sacrament is required in order for the children to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please also contact Mrs. Selda if your child did not submit their passport this weekend. The First Communion preparation classes will begin in April for all the children attending our six parish schools and the RCIC classes will also resume in April. We look forward to seeing the children at Mass each week as they prepare to receive Jesus on their First Communion Day!

**CONFIRMATION**

Below you will find the Confirmation rehearsal dates; attendance is mandatory. **Lenten confession date is March 25<sup>th</sup>. 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 have an accessibility permit and are parking for Mass or going to the parish office. We thank you for your cooperation. God Bless.

School	Confirmation Rehearsal Date	Confirmation Mass Date	Mandatory Lenten Confession
St. Josephine Bakhita	Tuesday, April 21 at 7pm	Monday, April 27 at 7pm	<p><b><u>The Lenten Confession night is on Wed. March 25<sup>th</sup> from 7pm - 10pm</u></b></p>
St. Jude	Tuesday, April 21 at 7pm	Monday, April 27 at 7pm	
St. Catherine of Siena	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
Other Catholic	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
Public/ Private	Wednesday, April 22 at 7pm	Tuesday, April 28 at 7pm	
St. Patrick	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	
St. Francis de Sales	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	
St. Andre Bessette	Saturday, April 25 at 10 am	Wednesday, April 29 at 7pm	



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<b>St. Francis de Sales Parish</b>			
<b>Statement of Operations</b>			
<b>For The Years Ended December 31, 2025 and 2024</b>			
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Church Receipts			
Sunday Offering	\$ 683,031	\$ 653,223	\$ 29,808
Easter & Christmas and other collections	85,760	84,760	1,000
Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals, Mass Offerings	44,315	42,598	1,717
<b>Total Church Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 813,105</b>	<b>\$ 780,581</b>	<b>\$ 32,524</b>
Other Parish Programs	65,700	63,871	1,828
Other Donations and Interest Revenue	11,942	23,579	- 11,637
Ontario Government Grant for Security	10,000	10,000	-
Sundry Receipts (Note 1)	145,420	93,992	51,428
Mortgage Fund	93,470	74,539	18,930
Family of Faith Funds Redeemed (Note 1)	40,779	-	40,779
Building Fund	70,214	56,158	14,055
Special Collection Receipts	106,120	108,233	- 2,113
<b>Total Receipts for the Period</b>	<b>\$ 1,356,749</b>	<b>\$ 1,210,954</b>	<b>\$ 145,795</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Church Payments			
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 397,652	\$ 394,619	3,033
Church Operational	228,221	197,096	31,125
<b>Total Church Payments</b>	<b>\$ 625,873</b>	<b>\$ 591,715</b>	<b>\$ 34,158</b>
Rectory Expenses	27,790	25,725	2,064
Assessment Payments (Note 2)	136,775	122,000	14,775
Other Parish Programs	58,284	70,369	(12,084)
Sundry Expenses	56,817	52,982	3,835
Major Renovations (Note 1)	134,403	4,671	129,732
Special Collection Payments	106,120	108,233	(2,113)
Mortgage Interest Payments	5,244	5,563	(319)
Mortgage Principal Payment (Note 3)	93,553	155,904	(62,351)
<b>Total Payments for the Period</b>	<b>\$ 1,244,859</b>	<b>\$ 1,137,162</b>	<b>\$ 107,697</b>
<b>EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS</b>	<b>111,890</b>	<b>\$ 73,792</b>	<b>\$ 38,098</b>
Additional Payments			
Chancery Investment (Note 4)	61,376	60,207	1,169
Additional Mortgage Payments (Note 3)	155,000	100,000	55,000
<b>ADJUSTED EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$ (104,486)</b>	<b>\$ (86,416)</b>	<b>\$ (18,070)</b>
<b>OUTSTANDING BALANCE OF MORTGAGE LOAN</b>	<b>\$ 1,317,323</b>	<b>\$ 1,565,827</b>	<b>\$ (248,504)</b>

**St. Francis de Sales Parish**

**Statement of Operations Notes**

**For The Years Ended December 31, 2025 and 2024**

**Note 1**

During the year, two HVAC were replaced for the total amount of \$134,402.92, recorded under Major Renovations. The funding for the replacement consist of

- (1) The church received the insurance reimbursement (claim) of \$59,932.12, recorded as sundry receipts
- (2) redemption of Family of Faith Fund balance held by the Archdiocese, in the amount of \$40,779.15.

**Note 2**

The Diocesan Assessment, which is based on our receipts increased to \$112,755, a 15% increase.

**Note 3**

In May the Archdiocese changed the way our Mortgage Loan is paid, previously we remitted monthly Mortgage Fund receipts. Now we make a standard blended payment each month per the Mortgage schedule from the Archdiocese. As we strive to reduce our Mortgage outstanding, the Finance Council approved additional payments of \$100,000 in June and \$55,000 in December. These payments were from access receipts received in the year.

**Note 4**

The Parish purchased an additional \$50,000 investment with the Archdiocese, and reinvested the interest earned of \$11,376. The balance in this investment account at the end of the year was \$375.530.

**Prepared by St. Francis de Sales Parish Finance Council**