

A Faith Community Alive in Christ Jesus

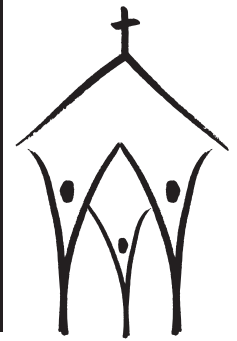
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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Philip Jones - Pastor
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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
Baptisms: 1:30 p.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Mondays & Fridays: 8:00 a.m.
Tuesdays & Thursday: 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays & Saturdays: 9:15 a.m.
Rosary Saturdays at 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.
and anytime by request.

Baptisms

Contact the parish office even before the birth
for preparation and arrangements.

Marriages

By appointment with at least one year notice to
permit adequate preparation.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut-Ins

Please notify the office
if a family member is in hospital or confined
to the home.

Holy Orders

For information contact Fr. Chris Lemieux
416-968-0997 or www.vocations.ca

Parish Schools

St. Dominic's Elementary 905-278-9821
Queen of Heaven Elementary 905-278-9771
St. Paul's Secondary 905-278-3994
Archbishop Romero School 416-393-5555

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m - 6:30 p.m. & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourself to the pastoral staff and others and
complete a registration form located in the vestibule of the Church.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Guild
Altar Servers

Baptism Ministry
Children's Liturgy of the Word
Coffee Ministry
Collection Counters
Confirmation Preparation
Finance Council
First Eucharist Preparation
First Reconciliation Preparation
Funeral Ministry
General Church Maintenance
Kitchen Coordinator
Knights of Columbus
Marriage Preparation
Marriage Rehearsal
Ministers of Eucharist
Ministry of Music (SATB Choir)
(Folk Choir)

Ministers of the Word
Ministers of Welcome
Parish Social Ministry
Social Committee
Social Justice Education
Spiritual Direction
Pastoral Council
Property & Maintenance
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults)

Resettlement
ShareLife
St. Vincent de Paul
Youth Ministry

Monica Parlette
Christi Robert
Natalye Mete
Fr. Phil Jones
Lianne Henderson
Joyce Varriano
Michelle Gal-Chalmers
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Seana Crump
Tom McCarthy
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Margaret Ramsay
Fr. Phil Jones
Barbara-Anne Krampert

Larry Elmer
Fr. Phil Jones
Margaret Ramsay
TBA



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the desk of Fr. Phil

Pastor's Corner

Who is Jesus for you? John calls Jesus the *Lamb of God* and thus signifies Jesus' mission as the One who redeems us from our sins. The blood of the *Passover Lamb* delivered the Israelites from their oppression in Egypt and from the plague of

death. The Lord Jesus freely offered up his life for us on the cross as the atoning sacrifice for our sins. The blood which he poured out for us on the cross cleanses, heals, and frees us from our slavery to sin, and from the "wages of sin which is death" and the "destruction of both body and soul in hell".

It is significant that John was the son of the priest, Zachariah, who participated in the daily sacrifice of a lamb in the temple for the sins of the people. In Jesus John saw the true and only sacrifice which could deliver us from bondage to sin, death, and the powers of hell. How did John know the true identity of Jesus, as the Son of God and Savior of the world? The Holy Spirit revealed to John Jesus' true nature, such that John bore witness that this is the Son of God. How can we be certain that Jesus is truly the Christ, the Son of the living God? The Holy Spirit makes the Lord Jesus Christ known to us through the gift of faith. God gives us freely of his Spirit that we may comprehend - with enlightened minds and eyes of faith - the great mystery and plan of God to unite all things in his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

John in his characteristic humility was eager to point beyond himself to the Christ (means *Anointed One* and *Messiah*). He did not hesitate to direct his own disciples to the Lord Jesus. When two of John's disciples began to seek Jesus out, Jesus took the initiative to invite them into his company. He did not wait for them to get his attention. Instead he met them halfway. He asked them one of the most fundamental questions of life: "What are you looking for?" Jesus asks each one of us the same question: "What are you searching for? Do you know the meaning and purpose for your life?" Only God, the Father and Author of life, can answer that question and make our purpose fully known to us. That is why the Lord Jesus invites each one of us to draw near to himself. He wants us to know him personally - to know what he came to do for us and what he wants to offer us.

When we find something of great value it's natural to want to share the good news of our discovery with our family, friends, and neighbors. When Andrew met Jesus and discovered that he was truly the Messiah, he immediately went to his brother Simon and told him the good news. Andrew brought his brother to meet Jesus so he could "come and see" for himself. When Jesus saw Simon approaching he immediately reached out to Simon in the same way he had done for Andrew earlier. Jesus looked at Simon and revealed that he knew who Simon was and where he came from even before Simon had set his eyes on Jesus. Jesus gave Simon a new name which signified that God had a personal call and mission for him. Jesus gave Simon the name "Cephas" which is the Aramaic word for "rock". Cephas is translated as Peter (*Petros* in Greek and *Petrus* in Latin) which also literally means "rock". To call someone a "rock" was one of the greatest compliments in the ancient world. The rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: "I have discovered a rock to found the world upon." Through Abraham God established a nation for himself. Through faith Peter grasped who Jesus truly was - the *Anointed One* (*Messiah* and *Christ*) and the only begotten Son of God. The New Testament describes the church as a spiritual house or temple with each member joined together as living stones (see 1 Peter 2:5). Faith in Jesus Christ makes us into rocks or spiritual stones. The Holy Spirit gives us the gift of faith to know the Lord Jesus personally, power to live the gospel faithfully, and courage to witness the truth and joy of the Gospel to others. The Lord Jesus is ever ready to draw us to himself. Do you seek to grow in the knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus Christ? (Servants of the Word)

I hope you all have a good week.

Fr. Phil

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Jan 15th Ferial

8:00AM – Mass
– Jackie Swatuk✠

Tuesday, Jan 16th Ferial

7:00PM – Mass
– Giovanni Bonora✠
– Deceased members
of Bordena Family✠

Wednesday, Jan 17th St. Anthony, Abbot

9:15AM – Mass

Thursday, Jan 18th Ferial

7:00PM – Mass
– Renee Beauregard✠
– Robert Beaudry✠

Friday, Jan 19th Ferial

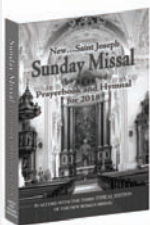
8:00AM – Mass
– Neuza Moita✠
– Deceased members of Moita
family✠
– Special Intention of Moita
Family

Saturday, Jan 20th Ferial

9:15AM – Mass
– Mary O'Keeffe
(Special Intention)

New Missal

Missal for the new Liturgical Year
2018 is available at the office.
The cost is \$ 5.



Giving Tree 2017

The Giving Tree

Helping Those in Need



Thanks to Parishioners' generous donation of gift cards from the Giving Trees the Saint Vincent de Paul Society distributed Christmas help to the neighbours in need in our community. Gift cards and bus tickets totalling \$15,192.60 were distributed to 69 families with 94 adults and 107 children and dependants. Our goal was to

distribute gift cards of \$50.00 for each child so that parents could buy warm clothes or a toy for their offspring. Most adults did not receive a gift, but all families did get generous food cards for Christmas dinner.

Teachers and students from St. James school organized gifts for two families. St. Dominic School donated shoe boxes with items like shampoo, candy and pencils in them. They were distributed to Compass Food Bank and to First Nations Native Child and Family Services.

Thank you for your support to the Christmas gift outreach program. Many people look to the Church at Christmas for help and thanks to you we were able to respond.

Offertory Envelopes

If you have not picked up your offertory envelopes for the year 2018, please do so at your earliest. If you have moved and not informed the office please let us know, so we can update the information in our system.



Dancing for the Compass

Dancing for The Compass returns for an 11th year to the Port Credit Legion (upstairs), 35 Front St. N. on **Saturday January 20, 2018**. Doors upstairs open at 7:00 pm and dancing from 8:00 pm to 12:00 am. The ticket price for this fundraiser is \$25/person and \$30 at the door. Please contact the church office or phone Peter Toller at 905-274-6131 to order your tickets. It will be a fun night of 50s and 60s music with the local 8-piece band, **Little Peter and the Elegants**. A light buffet will be served. Fabulous raffle prizes, too!

Lay Pastoral Visitors Training

Office of Formation for Discipleship will be offering the Lay Pastoral Visitors Training beginning on March 3, 2018. This training is designed to prepare lay persons to provide pastoral visits and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins of our parish communities. Participants are required to attend both Saturdays. New and seasoned volunteers are welcome to attend. Please bring your own lunch.

This training will be held at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Mississauga on Saturdays March 3 & 10, 2018 – 9:30am to 4:00pm. There is no cost to attend, however registration is required. For further information, please visit: <https://www.archtoronto.org/our-catholic-faith/programs-and-workshops> or call (416) 934-3400 ext. 523

Prayers for the Sick



We remember our parishioners for their recovery to health especially: Barbara Ptashinski, Denise Lamontagne, Peter Banken, Sean Seepaul, Ronie Scholfield, Maureen Timms, Tony Fares, Reginaldo Emmerich, Louise Paquette, Anita Cottreau, Casimiro Piscione, baby Aaron James, Eric Holgan, Marilza Alvarez, Gary Baldassi, Flavia Silva Colleen & Walter Popovic, Anne-Marie Cameron, Angelica Cagetano, Asia Tkacz, Michael Plante, Devon Hill, Larry Elmer, Antonio Tolentino, Andrew Calder, Arlene Ceccetto, Edith Ardito, Mary Melnik, Eva Lil, Paul Von Zuben, Rusty Von Zuben, Phyllis Horbatiuk, Jim Clough, Joey Fares, Matthew Ramsay, Erna Go, Leo Hogan, Diane Ouellette, Aline Vandewaeter.

Vocation Seeds



A good vocation prayer to say every day - from the time we are young until we are in our golden years - is found in today's first Scripture reading: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening". Just try it with sincerity, starting today and, if you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

email vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

St. Dominic's Seniors

Fun for Seniors

Our Seniors Group has started its 14th Season.



- o If you are a Senior 60+
- o Love to play Euchre
- o Engage in lively conversations,

This is the group for you.
Come & join us on Tuesdays from 1 – 3pm in the Church Hall. All are welcome!

LET US PRAY

For the Sick:

We pray for all the sick in our community.



For the Deceased:

We pray for all the deceased in our community.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS
Weekend Jan 7, 2018**

Offertory Collection: \$ 4183.30
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Many thanks for your generosity Fr. Phil

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