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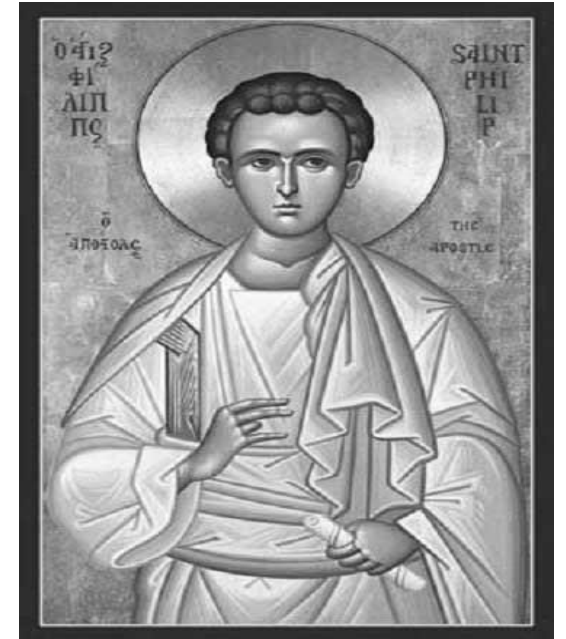
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Mass Times

Weekday Masses
Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.

Weekend Masses
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Friday: 6:00 p.m.
(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: 15 minutes before each mass or by appointment

Baptism

Infants and young children of registered parents are eligible to have their child baptized. Baptisms are celebrated by appointment only and require a meeting with the priest.

Marriage

Weddings for registered parishioners are generally celebrated on Saturdays. A Marriage Preparation Course is required. Please contact the pastor a minimum of one year before the planned marriage date.

Ministry to the Sick

Please call the Parish Office to arrange for visits, Communion, or Sacrament of the Sick. If you are admitted to the Hospital, kindly identify yourself as "Catholic" at the time of admission

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services

Resurrection Catholic Cemetery,
355 Taunton Rd. E., Whitby, ON
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SCHOOLS

Msgr. Philip Coffey - 905-723- 4241
Msgr. John Pereyma - 905-432-8470

For more information on Catholic education in our community or to reach your local school board trustee, contact the Durham Catholic District School Board at 905-576-6150 or www.dcdsb.ca

We welcome new parishioners. Please register in the vestibule or call the parish office



Advent is a time for waiting, preparing and hoping. Too often our waiting is spent in shopping lines and post offices; our preparing means rushing around to get cards addressed and gifts wrapped, and our major hope for the season is that we get everything done in time for the big day. Probably not exactly what those wise folks had in mind when they set aside four weeks of preparation. Each year we tell ourselves, "This year it will be different." May this time be good.



We light the first **PURPLE** Candle, which symbolizes hope. For many years the faithful looked forward to the coming of the Messiah. We look forward with the eyes of faith and hope.

ADVENT designates the present day coming or final coming of Christ. The English term advent comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means "coming" and is primarily to designate a period before Christmas during which Christians prepare for the Christmas season and reflect on the meaning of the coming of Christ.

First Communion Registration is now closed!

If you missed out on registering your child for 1st Holy Communion, please speak to Fr. Jorge.



In preparation for Christmas, from December 1st to 24th, you can read a chapter from the Gospel of St. Mark.

Sunday Offering for November 26:
\$2,460.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

Rosary

For those of you who are interested, the Rosary is prayed Tuesdays and Fridays at 5:30pm. All are welcome!

Natural Family Planning:

Helping married couples live out the teachings of the Catholic Church
(<https://bit.ly/NFP-Brochure-OFD-SMI>)



If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the office either by phone at: 905-725-3275 or email us at: stphiliptheapostleos@archtoronto.org

Information for 2024
Mass Intentions

We are now booking Mass Intentions and the Sanctuary Lamp for 2024. Please call or come to the Office during Office hours.

Envelopes

Envelopes for 2024 are available for picked up at the entrance to the Church. All envelopes are in alphabetical order.

Mass Books

THIS Sunday is the last Sunday for the 2023 missals. 2024 Missals are available at the entrance of the Church. The suggested donation is \$5.00

Please Remember

For those wishing to donate through the **Pre-Authorized Giving Program**, forms are available on our website at www.stphiliptheapostle.com or you can find them at the back of the Church.



Sunday December 3
9:30am †Dominico Phan Thai Trung

Tuesday December 5
6:00pm

Friday December 8
6:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:30pm †Maria Le Thi Nguyen & Sr. Maria & Family Intentions

Sunday December 10
9:30am Family of Huong & Chien Tran (Intent)

The Palliative Care HopeLine

If you are in search of locating hospice palliative care resources and services in your community, call the HopeLine at 416-619-5700 - leave your name, phone number, and the name of the community in which you live and we will return your call as soon as possible. Please note - this service is an information line only.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Please take note of the schedule for St. Philip the Apostle Parish:

Sunday, December 10th

9:00 a.m. to 9:25am

Tuesday, December 12th

2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, December 15th

2:00pm to 6:30pm

Sunday December 17th

9:00 a.m. to 9:25 a.m.

Tuesday, December 19th

2:00 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, December 22nd

2:00pm to 6:30pm

For additional times, call 905-725-3275 Ext 3.
(Confessions available in English, French, Italian and Spanish)

Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards are still for sale at the entrance of the Church. Please stop and have a look as there are different prices for different cards.



Christmas & New Years' Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve:

11:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve Vigil:

7:00 p.m.

Christmas Day:

9:30 a.m.

New Year's Eve:

9:30 a.m.

New Year's Day:

12:30 p.m. To be Confirmed

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway

Your assistance is requested!

To participate in the consultation, visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation to complete a **brief survey by December 15, 2023**, where you can offer your suggestions and insights.

The process should take just a few minutes and we ask that you complete the short survey as soon as possible. We look forward to hearing from the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese. Thank you in advance for sharing your insights, ideas and discernment.

Coffee Sunday

THIS Sunday is Coffee Sunday. Please join us! We are still looking for more volunteers. Please call the office if you are interested.



Archbishop Leo invites you to join ShareLife's fight against hunger

NEW: Your year-end gift will double in value. From now until December 15, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched up to \$500,000.

"It is heart-wrenching and unacceptable that anyone today lacks access to food which is a most basic human right," shares Archbishop Francis Leo. "Our parishioners are taking action in response to the Lord's call to feed the hungry. Since the earliest days of the Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the faithful have cared for those in need, on the margins of society and we continue this life-giving legacy."

Thanks to your generosity, we have surpassed our goal of \$9,300. If you still wish to donate, please use a ShareLife envelope or anytime at: www.sharelife.org/donate

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT

DE PAUL IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.



Next Sunday, we welcome a member of St. Gertrude's St. Vincent de Paul. They will be here to speak about what they do in the community also will be here to recruit parishioners.

They need help with:

- delivering food hampers (3hrs per month)
- handing out food at the church (once every 2 months)
- taking calls for help and dispatching another volunteer to deliver (1 week every 2 months)
- a pick-up truck or van to pick up donated food
- packing food hampers for delivery.

Contact: Mike Crosby 905-243-7643 or email at: Mike.h.j.crosby@gmail.com

Please take a moment out of your day to prayer for peace in Ukraine, Israel, Palestine and anywhere in the world where there is war and unrest.

