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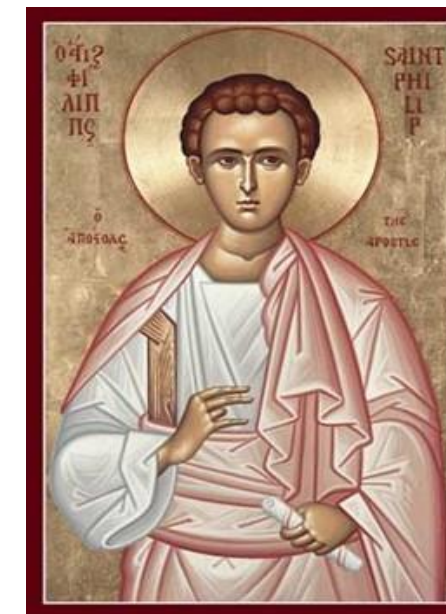
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Mass Times

Weekday Masses

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 6:00 p.m.

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

Confessions: 15 minutes before each mass or by appointment

Weekend Masses

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

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

Marriage Sunday

As we celebrate Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto, I wish to extend my prayers and best wishes to all married couples. This is a wonderful occasion to honour your commitment, fidelity and public witness to the sacrament of holy matrimony. Each day that you say "yes", you affirm the vows made on your wedding day to support one another through the joys and struggles of life's journey.

It is not an easy path and a good marriage requires patience, trust, forgiveness and mutual support. I encourage you to also ensure that prayer remains central to your relationship, ever mindful of God's role in the sacramental bond that accompanies your life-long commitment.

May we find inspiration in the life and personal sacrifice of our loving Mother Mary and her spouse, Joseph, and also those married couples you encounter each day; parents, grandparents, relatives and friends who are faithful witnesses, celebrating their relationships and authentic love for one another.

May your love and shining example extend to your families and all those you meet, reminding us of the profound impact your deeply committed relationship can have on others each and every day. May God continue to bless you now and always.

Sincerely Yours in Jesus with Mary,

Most Rev. Francis Leo
Archbishop of Toronto



Ash Wednesday

February 14th, 2024

MASS TIME: 6:00pm

Reminder!!

Ash Wednesday is a Day of Fast & Abstinence.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday (begin February 16th) at 6:00pm. All are welcome!



Confirmation Registration is now closed.

If you missed out on registering your child for Confirmation, please speak to Fr. Jorge.



Sunday February 11

9:30am (1) Healing of the Lan Do Family
(2) Deceased members of Gordon & Craigen Family

Tuesday February 13

6:00pm Healing of the Lan Do Family

Ash Wednesday February 14

6:00pm ASH WEDNESDAY

Friday February 16

**6:00pm Stations of the Cross

6:30pm Healing of the Lan Do Family

Sunday February 18

9:30am †Hazel Hastings

Sunday Offering for February 4:

\$1,500.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

Baptism Catechises

Our next session will be on **September 7 & 14** from 10am-12pm. Please inform your family of this next session.



INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All Income Tax Receipts have been sent to processing. You should receive your receipts in the mail by the end of next week. If the end of next week, you have not received yours. Please contact the parish office.



Announcing the 2024 ShareLife Campaign

As we approach our first ShareLife Sunday collection on March 17, it is essential that we come together in compassion to meet our Parish Campaign goal of \$14 million. Addressing the growing needs in our communities.

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible among many others. Please give at the parish by using a ShareLife envelope, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

Reminder to All Parents

We have a Children's Liturgy every Sunday for any child that has not received 1st Communion.

All About Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting is the limitation of food and drink, typically to one main meal and two smaller meals, with no solid foods in between. (But remember to drink enough fluids!). We fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. We fast because it helps us to pray better. An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer. Catholics aged 18-59 are bound to fast. Those with impaired health should not fast in any way.

Abstinence is avoiding certain kinds of food or drink, typically meat or other desirable foods. Catholics are obliged to abstain from meat every Friday throughout the year (except solemn feast days). Instead of abstaining, you may substitute special acts of charity or piety on Fridays. We abstain on Fridays because it's the day of Christ's saving death on the Cross; we abstain to share in His work of saving the world. Catholics aged 14 and older are obliged to abstain.

<https://bit.ly/3OnYuqV>

Breathing Space - An Online Caregiver Program

Breathing Space is an open 6-week support group to learn skills, develop coping strategies, and provide you support and resources in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental environment.

Time: Wednesdays from 2pm - 3pm

Psychoeducation Topics:

- Living a Wholehearted Life While Dealing with Chronic Illness (Feb 14, 2024)
- I Matter Too: Caregiver Stress and Family Relationships (Feb 21, 2024)
- Healthcare Resources and System Navigation (Feb 28, 2024)
- Coping with Illness, Maintaining Independence, and Self Care (Mar 6, 2024)
- Handling Pain and Suffering; Bereavement and Grief (Mar 13, 2024)

For further information and to register, please contact Corina Sumaway Email: csumaway@cfstoronto.com Phone: 416-921-1163 ext. 2230.



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

Reminder!!!!

Please do not use envelopes from previous years or other people's envelopes as this causes confusion for our records. If you are a visitor to our parish, "WELCOME", but please only use the pink visitor envelopes available at the entrance. Thank you.

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk-through Christ's Passion.

This short bible study is a pilgrimage through the last hours of Christ's life, guided by best-selling author and engaging speaker Edward Sri. Cost of the course is \$40 which covers the study guide and Dr. Sri's book. Join us starting **February 22, 2024** at 7pm. To register or for more information:

<https://stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/news-archive/parish/bible-studyrevelation/>

New Beginning Program (February)

Online Drop-In Bereavement Support Session

Share discussions with others in a safe, welcoming, non-judgmental online forum.

February 14th, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbb0224.eventbrite.ca/>

Online Drop-In Separated/Divorced Support Session

Share discussions with others in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental online forum.

February 15th, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

Register at: <https://nbsd0224.eventbrite.ca/>

Come & See - Discernment Weekend Retreat

March 15-17, 2024 at St. Augustine's Seminary

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 p.m. until

Sunday, March 17 at 2 p.m.

To register www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeseesee.

For more information, vocations@archtoronto.org

Saint of the Week

Our Lady of Lourdes (February 11)

In 1858 Mary, the mother of Jesus, appeared to Bernadette Soubirous in a cave at Massabielle, near Lourdes in France. Just four years earlier, in 1854, the Church had declared the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, so when the "beautiful woman" of Bernadette's visions identified herself as the Immaculate Conception, there was initial skepticism. Although others accompanied Bernadette to the grotto, no one else could see or hear the visions. It did not take long for an Episcopal Commission, an official inquiry, to state: "We judge that Mary, the Immaculate Mother of God, did really appear to Bernadette Soubirous on February 11th, 1858, and on certain subsequent days, 18 times in all, in the Grotto of Massabielle, near the town of Lourdes; that this appearance bear every mark of truth and that the belief of the faithful is well-grounded.

A few years later, this date was added to the list of Marian feasts to honour the mysterious beauty of the Immaculate Conception.