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are eligible to have their child baptized. Baptisms are celebrated by appointment only and require a meeting with the priest.

Marriage

Baptism

Infants and young children of registered parents

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

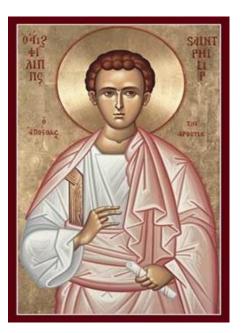
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Mass Times

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

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services

Resurrection Catholic Cemetery, 355 Taunton Rd. E., Whitby, ON 905-668-8912

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 **SUNDAY** February 18, 2024

Stations of the Cross during Lent

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:00pm. All are welcome!





Preparing Ourselves for Christ

This First Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. The readings during this time of preparation focus on making us aware that it is time to rouse from our sleep and prepare for the Lord's coming. Jesus says in the Gospel to "keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come."

Advent and Christmas are also often times of lights. Whether it be lights on an advent wreathe, a Christmas tree or festive lights decorating the house. However, above all these lights is Jesus, the true light of the world. This Advent we should strive to let the light of Jesus into our hearts so that it may even illumine and cleanse the dark and sinful areas of our lives. Our stewardship should reflect that light of Christ to others, so let us first be filled with what we seek to share.

One great way to invite the light of Christ into our lives is to seek God's cleansing healing in the sacrament of Reconciliation. Across the Archdiocese every parish will be hosting an Advent Day of Confessions in which several priests will be available to hear confessions. This is a beautiful opportunity to ready ourselves for the coming of our Saviour on Christmas morning. Let us strive to be reconciled with God and as stewards, let us try to invite our family and friends to join us.

Sunday Offering for February 11: \$1.120.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

Hallow Pray 40



St. Philip the Apostle Parish has partnered with Hallow to encourage all parishioners to surrender and trust in the

Lord in a new, deeper way throughout Lent. Hallow is a Catholic prayer and meditation app that helps us strengthen our relationship with God through a habit of daily prayer.

This Lent, as a part of the Hallow Pray40 Challenge, we'll walk through the life-changing, spiritual classic He Leadeth Me, written by Fr. Walter J. Ciszek, S.J. Fr. Walter, a Jesuit priest and missionary, was imprisoned for over twenty years in the Soviet Union, first in solitary confinement and then in a Siberian worker camp. Amidst some of the most brutal conditions imaginable, Fr. Walter underwent a profound spiritual journey. Inspired by Fr. Walter's writing, we'll spend time each day prayerfully seeking a refreshed humility and hope in Christ, who laid down His life for us, as we journey through Lent.

Hallow is the #1 Catholic app worldwide and includes 1,000 prayer sessions available for free, and over 10,000 audio-guided sessions in an upgraded premium subscription. Hallow is designed to help you grow closer to God and develop a daily habit of prayer, and includes prayers for kids and families, resources for mental health, meditations for sleep, seasonal music, multiple languages (including Spanish, Portuguese, and Polish!) daily trivia, podcast-style courses to learn more about faith, and more! Register today by scanning the QR code here and selecting "Sign up via email" for a 3-month free trial of the full version of Hallow (first time users only) to get started.

SL ShareLife

Support our vulnerable youth through ShareLife

In this time of Lent, we ask you to think of our brothers and sisters in need - especially our vulnerable youth who call the streets their home.

"Your gift ensures youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness have access to individualized support a variety of programs and services to meet their complex and diverse needs," says Mark Aston of Covenant House Toronto. "With your caring support, youth have a safe space to turn to and a supportive team to help them plan their own path." Please give at the parish by using a ShareLife envelope, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.

Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship Section One: The Meaning of Stewardship

Cardinal Thomas Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship is organized into four sections, with the first being The Meaning of Stewardship in the Christian Life. This section explores the reality that we are invited by God to be good stewards of His gifts. "If we truly have the spirit of stewardship, we will not let God's gifts go to waste, and we will not selfishly cling to them, but use them graciously to serve others, and in doing so give glory to God." To read the full pastoral letter please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

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:

- 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.

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/parishlife/news-archive/parish/bible-studyrevelation/

LENTEN RETREAT

Facilitated by the Centre Team WHEN: Saturday March 9, 2024 TIME: REGISTRATION IS AT 8:30am COST: \$45.00 which includes lunch CONTACT: Jean: 905-278-5524 or

Email: office@goa.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/comesee. For more information, vocations@archtoronto.org

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All Income Tax Receipts have been mailed out from the Archdiocese.

If you have not received yours. Please contact the parish office.

Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Location: The Old Mill (Old Mill Subway Station) **Registration:** 8am **Start Time:** 9am-4pm

Opening Mass will be celebrated by

His Eminence Cardinal Collins.

For more information call 1-416-907-1042. Register at www.dynamicwomenfaith.com



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

Baptism Catechises

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



St. Gertrude's Parish Lenten Retreat with Fr. Paul Burchat

Feb. 26th – 28th, Monday, Tues. & Wed. Nights

We welcome Fr. Paul Burchat of Madonna House for our Lenten parish mission.

This will take place on the Mon. Tues. Wed. evenings Feb. 26-28th starting each night at 7:30pm.

The topics for the 3 nights will be: 1) Sin and Conversion, 2) The Prodigal Son, 3) Spiritual Warfare.



FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE **PLANNING WEBINAR** Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection.

Please register using the scan this QR code