

# **St. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH**

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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

#### Baptism

Infants and young children of registered part are eligible to have their child baptized. Bapt are celebrated by appointment only and requ meeting with the priest.

#### Marriage

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

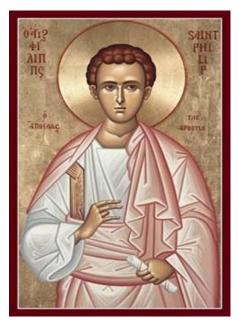
### Ministry to the Sick

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

# **Mass Times**

## Weekend Masses Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

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	Resurrection Catholic Cemetery,
	355 Taunton Rd. E., Whitby, ON 905-668-8912
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	Msgr. Philip Coffey - 905-723- 4241
	Msgr. John Pereyma - 905-432-8470
	For more information on Catholic education in
visits, u are urself	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



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

Mass o	Intentions	
Sunday March 10		
9:30am	†Jim Gallant	
<u>Req. by:</u>	Walter Abela	
<b>Tuesday March 12</b>		
**6:00pm	Adoration	
6:30pm		
Req. by:		
Friday March 15		
**6:00pm	Stations of the Cross	
6:30pm		
<u>Req. by:</u>		
Sunday March 17		
9:30am		
Req. by:		

#### Carrying our Crosses

Spreading the Gospel can be difficult in our increasingly secular society. As stewards who are called to receive our gifts from God and put them at the service of the Church, this challenge can sometimes seem daunting. We may be tempted to think that today's society is just too far gone to accept Jesus. We may even see this within our own circle of friends and family members. However, this resistance from society is nothing new and nothing to fear.

In today's first reading from 2 Chronicles, we hear how God sent many people on His behalf to spread His word "but [the people] kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words, and scoffing at his prophets." Even in the Old Testament, those who sought to serve God faced hardships and retaliation. Therefore, as stewards, we should not expect everything in our ministry to be perfect or easy.

Jesus says in the Gospel of Matthew that whoever wants to follow Him must take up their cross and follow. To take up the cross is to take up suffering and hardships for the sake of serving Christ. As stewards, let us not shy away from these crosses but accept them willingly. The cross will forever be the symbol of our hope and salvation. To take part in the cross of Christ by carrying our own crosses is a supreme dignity. Therefore, the next time we face a difficulty in our stewardship, let us simply pray "Lord, help me to carry this cross out of love for you."

#### Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship Section Fourth: The Way Forward

The fourth and final section of Cardinal Thomas Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship is focused on The Way Forward. To continue to develop vibrant parishes, it is key that we try to increase active engagement. "It is a lively faith family that challenges us as disciples to do great things for Jesus, in the spirit of the Acts of the Apostles. To read the full pastoral letter please visit: www.archtoronto.org/stewardship

#### Lenten Confessions

In preparation for Easter, and especially for worthily reception of the Eucharist, Fr. Jorge will hear confessions on:

#### Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup>

3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday March 15th

2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Sunday March 17th

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

Tuesday March 19th 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Confession available in English, French, Italian and Spanish

#### Sunday Offering for March 3: \$1.965.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!

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:**

- 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.

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

#### 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



**Tuesday March 26th** Mass at 6:00pm

Holy Thursday March 28th 6pm Mass of the Last Supper

#### Good Friday March 29th

Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion following Stations of the Cross

Easter Vigil Saturday March 30th

Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm Mass at 6:30pm

Easter Sunday March 31st Mass at 9:30 a.m.

#### Reminder to All Parents

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



#### **Confirmation Prep Meetings**

The next Confirmation Prep Meeting is on Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

#### **Baptism Catechises**

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



Holy Communion

On Sunday April 17th at 12:30 p.m. we will be celebrating First Holy Communion with the students and families of Msgr. Philip Coffey and neighbouring Schools. We look forward as a Parish community to this uniquely special event in the life of members of our Parish.



**MOVIE NIGHT** "The Prince of Egypt" (1998) Saturday March 16th, 2024 at 6pm,

Tickets are: \$3 per adult, \$2 per child, which includes popcorn and a drink, additional snacks will be on sale.



Inspired by God's love: Support ShareLife's mission

Today, as we contemplate God's boundless generosity, may we, too, be moved by this same spirit of generosity. May this inspire all of us to be kind, compassionate, and move us to share our blessings with our brothers and sisters in need.

Our goal for the parish campaign is **\$12,500.00**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, or at www.sharelife.org/donate.



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

#### Parish Photo Directory

We will be holding additional photography sessions for our parish directory on Thursday April 4, Friday April 5, and Saturday April 6. Session



times are 2:30pm-8:30pm on Thursday and Friday, and 9:00am-3:00pm on Saturday. If you did not get your photo taken in November, please contact the parish office via email or phone to let us know that you intend to book an appointment, and our coordinator will get back to you.

Participation is free, and every family photographed will receive a free directory. You will have the option of purchasing photographs for yourselves at rates that are under current professional studio rates.

As our numbers continue to grow, we strongly encourage you to participate in this directory so that we can get to know each other and build up our parish community.



#### **Mass Intentions**

A reminder that we are taking bookings for Mass Intentions for 2024. Please come to the office or call the office during office

hours and book a Mass to be said for your own particular intentions.