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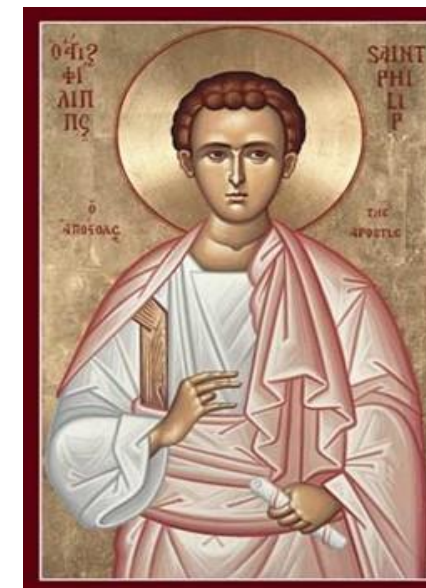
Religious Community: CMSSTCJ

Office Hours:

Mon-Fri 9am to 12pm

Church Open for Prayer:

Mon-Fri 9am to 12pm and from 1pm to 5pm



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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Service

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Schools

Msgr. Philip Coffey - 905-723- 4241
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Finance Council

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

The Epiphany of the Lord

The journey of the wise men or magi is one of the favorite stories of the Gospel. It's a story of the journey of life, of guidance on the way, of delight in finding faith and God, of the intrigue of a greedy and envious king, and of the victory of the good over the evil.



MASS Intentions

Sunday January 5 (Epiphany)

9:30am †Domenico Fiorente
Req. by: Stano Family

Tuesday January 7

6:00pm
Req. by:

Friday January 10

**6:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:30pm
Req. by:

Sunday January 12 (The Baptism of the Lord)

9:30am
Req. by:

Offerings over Christmas:

December 25: \$3,990.00

December 29: \$1,415.00

Thank you for your ongoing generous support!



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 to Parents

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



Please Remember

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



Coffee Sunday

THIS Sunday January 5, 2025 is Coffee Sunday.

All are welcome!

We are still looking for more volunteers. Please call the office if you are interested.

Marriage Sunday

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebration, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at **2:30 p.m. Sunday February 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto)**. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via live stream Mass:

<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>.

The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18-25, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This year's message of John 11:26, "**Do you believe this?**" inspires us to pray and work together for the unity willed by Christ for the Church.

Join Rev. John A. Boissonneau on Sunday, January 19, 2025, 4 p.m. at North City Church (377 Woodbridge Ave. Woodbridge, Ont. L4L 2V7)

REMINDER!!!!

Please remember to date offertory cheques with the year we are in. Please **DO NOT** use envelopes from previous years. If you are a visitor to our parish, please only use the pink visitor envelopes available in the foyer. Thank you!



Serra House

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca



Jubilee Year 2025

During the Jubilee Year 2025, Pope Francis is calling on all the faithful to become Pilgrims of Hope.



Archbishop Francis Leo has chosen St. Gregory's to serve as a pilgrimage church in the Eastern Region for the upcoming Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025. In honor of St. Gregory's being chosen Bishop Vincent Nguyen will be here to celebrate Mass on **January 29th at 7:00 p.m.** More programmed activities are available at: <https://bit.ly/indulgence25>

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



Jubilee of Youth 2025



Calling all young adults (ages 19 - 39), join Fr. Paul Magyar and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a life time! Please fill out the form in the link below to receive updates about our information session and registration. **Event Details:**

Date: July 23 - Aug. 5, 2025, in Rome, Italy
Interest Form: <https://bit.ly/YA25Jubilee>



Reminder to All Parishioners

St. Philip the Apostle Parish has Instagram and a Facebook Accounts. Please visit and follow us: Instagram: [stphilipshawa](https://www.instagram.com/stphilipshawa) Facebook: [@stphilipshawa](https://www.facebook.com/stphilipshawa)

Baptism Catechises



There will be two blocks of **baptismal catechises** this new year 2025. The first will be on **February 1 from 10am-12pm**. Parents and godparents must attend all meetings, the 2 catechises. If they are out of town, they must show proof of having received baptismal preparation at their local parish. Please email Fr. Jorge if you would like to register your child. The registration deadline will be February 1. Our next session will be on **September 13 from 10am-12pm**. Please inform your family of these two sessions if they wish to baptize their child.

Saint Andre Bessette (January 7):

Alfred Bessette was born in St. Gregoire, Quebec, in 1845. Orphaned at the age of 12, he was unschooled, small and sickly. In 1870, he joined the congregation of Holy Cross. For the next 40 years, he was a porter at the College Notre-Dame in Montreal, where he excelled at hospitality. In the course of his duties, he welcomed the sick and afflicted and prayed with them through the intercession of Saint Joseph. He gained a reputation throughout the city and was credited with extraordinary favours and healings.

Possessed with a deep love for St. Joseph, Brother Andre erected a statue of the saint on the mountain across from the college. Then, assisted by lay friends in 1904, he built a wooden chapel on the mountain. Over the years, the chapel grew into a basilica. Today, Saint Joseph's Oratory welcomes more than two million visitors each year. Its founder lived to be 91, was declared blessed in 1982, and canonized on October 17, 2010. He is the patron of family caregivers in Canada.

Saint Raymond of Penyafort (January 8):

St. Raymond is particularly noteworthy for his contribution to canon law, the laws and regulations governing the Church. Born in 1175 in Penafort, Spain, Raymond was a professor of philosophy by the age of 20, and then went on to study law. He became an archdeacon in 1219 and a Dominican priest in 1222, travelling throughout Spain preaching to Moors and Christians. In 1235, having been confessor to Pope Gregory IX, he was appointed archbishop of Tarragona, resigning soon after because of illness.

Raymond was responsible for the organization of papal decrees, which became the basis for the original code of canon law. His writings were often used as guidelines for the administration of the sacrament of penance (reconciliation). While master general of the Dominicans, Raymond revised the order's constitution; his revision was in effect until 1924. He died at Barcelona on January 6, 1275 and was canonized in 1601. He is a patron saint of lawyers, including canon lawyers.