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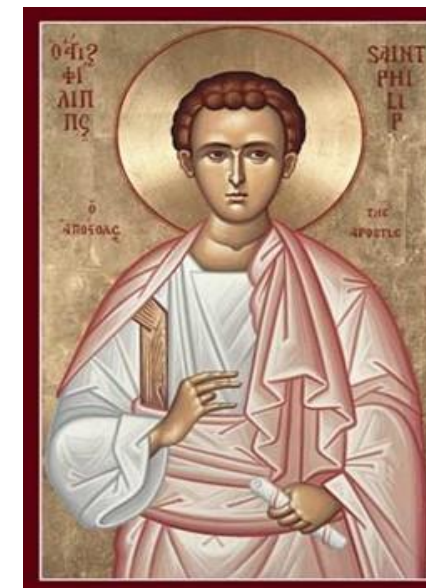
Religious Community: CMSSTCJ

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

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



Today is Palm Sunday. It celebrates Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem for the Jewish festival of Passover. Great crowds of people lined the streets waving palm branches to welcome Him. Shortly thereafter these same people were to desert Him and shout for His death.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday April 13
9:30am (1) Blessing & Thanksgiving
Req. by: Van Trung
 (2) †Jennifer Bigger (Savage) 1st Anniversary
Req. by: Family

Tuesday April 15
****6:00pm** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:30pm
Req. by:

Holy Thursday April 17
6:00pm

Good Friday April 18
6:00pm Stations of the Cross followed by
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Vigil Saturday (March 19)
6:00pm

Easter Sunday April 20
9:30am Blessing & Thanksgiving
Req. by: Van Trung

Sunday Offerings for:
 April 6: \$2,025.00

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: stphiliptheapostles@archtoronto.org



Serra House

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offers religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholic around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

The Cross of Christ

Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most important and solemn week of the Church's liturgical calendar. In the Gospel this Sunday we are invited to reflect on the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. The cross is the most recognizable symbol of our Christian faith. We see crucifixes hanging in Churches, schools, homes and even worn around many people's necks. However, we can become so used to this constant presence of the crucifix that we become indifferent to what it signifies. Let us take a moment to grasp the beauty and truth found in the cross.

God became man and was willing to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins. It is through the cross that Christ defeats Satan and triumphantly attains our salvation, allowing us to enter our heavenly home. The entire course of human history was dramatically altered because of the cross of Christ. As stewards, we should always view the salvation won through the cross as the greatest gift that God has bestowed on us.

As we approach the Holy Triduum, let us take some time each day this week to reflect on the passion of Christ. Many great saints strongly promoted this practice of calling to mind the sufferings of Christ. We can do this in many ways such as praying the Stations of the Cross or the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, reading the passion narratives in the Bible or simply gazing upon a crucifix. Let us never fail to appreciate the sublime beauty of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

Mass Intentions

A reminder that we are taking bookings for Mass Intentions for 2023. Please come to the office or call the office during office hours and book a Mass to be said for your own particular intentions.



You empower youth to embrace God

Your devotion enables the Office of Catholic Youth to fulfill their mission of helping youth and young adults to encounter, love and serve Jesus Christ. Through your loving support of ShareLife, young people are empowered to become Christian leaders who know Christ and have a growing relationship with Him. Aspiring youth and campus ministers, like Laura, form spiritual habits through workshops and formation retreats. They learn practical methods to engage the youth of today and help them deal with everyday pressures. "These formation sessions have equipped me with a firm foundation in the faith," she says, "enabling me to pass on authentic Catholic teachings to the young people in my care."

So far, we have raised \$4,655.00 towards our goal of \$12,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, or at: www.sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!
Collection Dates for ShareLife: May 4th & June 8th

Reminder to All Parents

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



Confirmation Prep Meetings

Confirmation Prep will start on April 29th at 6:45pm. Confirmation will be on Tuesday, June 17th at 6pm, unless otherwise indicated!



Baptism Catechises

Registration is now closed!
 Our next session will be on **September 13** from **10am-12pm**.

Please Remember

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

Totus Tuus Summer Camp 2025

The Totus Tuus (meaning Totally Yours) summer camp will be taking place at L'Assomption for both St. Philip's and L'Assomption Parishes from **August 10th to August 15th** for students in grades 1-12. **Registration Fee: Gr. 7-12: \$75; Gr. 1-6: \$125 (Discount for siblings: 50%)**. Deadline to Register is: June 30th, 2025. Registration Forms can be found on our website.



Natural Family Planning

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Dominican Friars Youth Interfaith Video Contest (Runs until April 15, 2025)

Theme: "Faith as a Pathway from Division to Unity." Students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate. Students are encouraged to make a three-minute video encapsulating the theme. Register on the website and submit their entries by filling in the details on the submission form at: <https://bit.ly/DFVCSubmission>
 CONTACT: interreligious@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527

Save the Date: A Day with Mary

On Saturday, May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day with Mary" will be taking place at Villanova College in King City. More information will follow.

Jubilee 2025: Lenten Pilgrimage

Why not consider a Lenten Pilgrimage to one of our designated Pilgrimage Churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto during this special year of blessings? A listing of these churches and resources for your visit can be found at: www.archtoronto.org/jubilee. The site also provides information for those wishing to receive a Plenary Indulgence through their visit to a Pilgrimage church. Please note that it is not necessary to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the same day as your visit to the Pilgrimage church, but can be celebrated in your own parish "within several days before or after your visit."



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