

All Saints' Parish

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Office Hours:

Mon - Fri 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Holidays, Saturday & Sunday: Office is closed

PARISH STAFF:

Secretary: Carmenza Loaiza Ext. 0

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m. (Italian)
9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Daily Masses:

Monday - Saturday: 8:15 a.m. Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.

First Friday of the Month: 5:00 p.m.

Last Friday of the Month: 7:00 p.m. (except July & August).

Please check the bulletin or contact the office.

Pastoral References: Please make sure you have been registered for at least 6 months. Check our website under Parish Life before requesting a Pastoral Reference letter or contact the Office.

SACRAMENTS:

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Office.

Baptism Infants: Please call the Office 3 months in advance for an appointment, instructions and Preparation Class.

Baptisms (Children age 4 - 7 only) - **First Communion - Confirmation - Youth Ministry:** Please contact Anna Betro at 416-244-3066 Ext. 7 or 1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):

Monday to Friday from 7:30 am to 8:00 am, Saturday from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm or by appointment. Please contact the office or check the bulletin.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call the office for an interview with the Priest one year before planning your wedding date and to register for the course once a year in February.

Funerals: Please contact the office. The Funeral Liturgy is on our website under Our Ministries-Liturgical-Funeral Liturgy.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of the month 3:00-5:00 pm. Except in July & August (Please Check the bulletin)

Rosary Apostolate: Sunday 7:30a.m (Italian) 9:00a.m (English)
Maria McEvenue - maria_mcevenue@rogers.com

Bible Study Group: Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Lucy Furbacher - lucyfur@hotmail.com
Teresa Meffe - teresa.meffe@gmail.com

Queen of All Saints' Prayer Group: Monday 7:00 p.m. & Wednesday 7:15 p.m. Dolores Miccio - dolo.miccio@gmail.com

Italian Prayer Group: Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Vanna Pintus - 416-236-0094 Teresa Meffe - 647-985-7003



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- All Saints': 1435 Royal York Rd 416-393-5290
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St. Vincent De Paul: Neighbours in need within our catchment area, please leave your name, address & phone number at 416-244-3066 Ext. 6.

Ushers: Teresa Meffe - teresa.meffe@gmail.com

Youth Ministry: Anna Betro - mbetro@archtoronto.org

Virtual Recommendations & Guest Speaker Series:

allsts.guestspeaker@gmail.com

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<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/contact-us/sign-up/>

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any Sacraments or any other services.
Registration forms are available in the church foyer and in the parish office.

NOTE: Parishioners looking for Envelopes are asked to come to the Parish Office

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**Second
Sunday of
Advent
December
8th, 2024**

God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low, and that the age-old depths and gorges be filled. (Baruch 5:7)

Today's first reading contains a prophecy of what God would accomplish for the Jewish people as they languished in exile in Babylon. Baruch, scribe to the prophet Jeremiah, proclaims that "every lofty mountain" will be flattened and that "the age-old depths and gorges" will be filled in. So much so that the exiles would have a direct route, straight through the desert, back home (Baruch 5:7).

This was such good news! The only established road between Babylon and Jerusalem took travelers in a long northwesterly arc through the fertile land that surrounded the Syrian desert. But God was so eager to bring his people back to him that he promised to pave a new road directly through the wasteland. And even more amazing, he promised to join them on the journey, "leading Israel in joy . . . with his mercy and justice for company" (Baruch 5:9)!

What a perfect way to describe the miracle of Christmas! God didn't wait for us to stumble through the wilderness of sin that separated us from him. He didn't stand on the border of the Promised Land and command us to make the treacherous journey on our own. He crossed that vast expanse to come to us. He entered this fallen world to offer us his "mercy and justice." Visiting the land of our exile, he now extends his hand and promises to lead us into his heavenly home.

Baruch tells us that God has "commanded" the mountains to flatten out and the chasms to be filled in (5:7). And when God speaks, creation obeys! No amount of pride or selfishness, no matter how tall, can withstand his command. No sin, no matter how grave, can carve a ravine too deep for him to fill. Jesus has paved a "new and living way" so that we can finally come home (Hebrews 10:20)!

"All praise to you, Lord, for coming to our rescue!"
(Excerpt from The **WORD** Among Us)

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

This **Monday, December 9th**, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 am and at 7:00 pm. Join us after the evening Mass for the lighting of the outdoor Nativity and the singing of carols. A time of fellowship will follow in the parish hall.

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

www.vocationstoronto.ca Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

MASS INTENTIONS

December 9th to December 14th

Mon., December 9th, Immaculate Conception

St. Juan Diego

Erminia Carinci & Elena Marti
Mario Rivera
Giulio Mattacchione

Tue., December 10th, St. Our Lady of Loreto,

St. John Roberts

Anaquilia Hurtado & Arbey Ramos
Nicola & Iolanda Sorgini
Giuseppe & Elvira Trimboli

Wed., December 11th, St. Damasus I

Patricia & Isabella Virgilio
In Thanksgiving: Jean Ann & Azio D'Aprile
Itmar Kuehn & Jean Karout

Thur., December 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe

Aurelio Di Rocco
Dominic Mesiano
Marryl Ebanks

Fri., December 13th, St. Lucy

Grazia Maida
In Thanksgiving: Franca Gallucci & Domenic Di Giacomo
Vincenzo & Ida Gerasolo
St. Lucia

Sat., December 14th, St. John of the Cross

Maria & Ernesto Arturi
Lina & Donato Mideo
Antonio & Carlo D'Addese
Vincent Pham & Maria Ngo & Family

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS:

Our priests will be available for confessions on **Monday, December 16 from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm**. All are welcome to come and celebrate the gift of God's forgiveness.

Daily Confessions: Monday to Saturday 7:30 to 8:00 am, Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm, First Friday of the Month 3:30pm to 4:30pm or by appointment.

Advent and Christmas Mass schedule:

<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/advent--christmas-schedule-2024/>

PARISH PILGRIMAGE - OCT 2025

There are a few seats still available for our parish pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France Oct 2025 - only \$300 deposit required to reserve your spot - flyers with details are in foyer.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Our [marriage preparation course](#) for **2025** will be held in February on **Saturday, February 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**. Engaged couples can register for the course at the parish office. **The fee is \$150.00 per couple**. Payment can be made in cash or cheque payable to All Saints' Parish.

PANETTONI & TORRONI

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettoni and Torroni in the parish hall after all Masses on the weekends of **December 7 & 8, December 14 & 15 and December 21 & 22**. Please come and support this annual sale!

Bethlehem Olive Wood Art:

The weekend of **December 21 & 22**, our friends from Bethlehem will be back again to sell their traditional arts and crafts in olive wood. They will be in the parish hall before and after all Masses. Please pass by the hall and support our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We are pleased to announce a very special Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 22nd, just before Christmas. All Saints is welcoming a quartet of male singers from the alumni of St. Michael's Choir School, including Brian, our own organist. They will be sharing their talents through the singing of many Christmas Carols to celebrate the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ. There will also be the opportunity for you to participate in the singing of several popular Carols. Donations are welcome, proceeds will go to St. Vincent de Paul society and to enhancing our own SATB choir for special feasts. Refreshments will be served in the church hall afterwards. The concert will be a matinee, starting at 3pm, once again, on Sunday December 22nd. We look forward to seeing you all there!

GIVE A GIFT - CHRISTMAS CARD DRIVE

For our Christmas Drive this year, the Parish welcomes gift cards from the following stores: FOOD BASICS/METRO, NO FRILLS/PC, WALMART, and DOLLARAMA. As a Parish, in collaboration with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, our goal is to deliver these gift cards to each family in need during **the week of December 10th**. Here's how we'll do it this year: A Christmas Tree has been placed in the foyer decorated with tags for you to select and take. You then purchase the gift card(s) from the store in the denomination shown on the tag(s) that you have selected. We have provided tags in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50 to the above stores. Once purchased, bring your tag(s) and actual gift card(s) to Mass and place in a collection basket or bring them to the parish office. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity! If you would like more information, please email Angela Vigna at properties@angelavigna.ca.

Baby Jesus Birthday Party 2024!

Please join us in the celebration and reflection on the birth of Jesus! **When:** Friday, December 27, 2024, **Where:** All Saints' Hall, **Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Light refreshments (pizza & veggies) will be served. More details to come. Save the date!

All Saints' Virtual Recommendations for December 2024 Perspectives on Current Events that Impact our Faith

Brought to you by allsts.guestspeaker@gmail.com
Access current and past recommendations here:
<https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/our-ministries/outreach/virtual-recommendations/>

YOUTH MINISTRY

LITTLE SAINTS - for students in Grades 2 - 4 Meets every 3rd Friday of the month @ **6:45 – 8 PM** in the parish hall. Next session December 20 – *Game Night*.

EDGE – Raising Saints - for students in Grades 5 - 8 Meets every 2nd & 4th Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session December 13 – *Holiday Game Night*.

THE SAINTS – Pizza Nights - for students in Grades 9-12 Meets every 1st Friday of the month @ 7 – 8:30 pm. Next session February 7 – *Not Alone*. **Please confirm attendance at 1415allsaintsyouthministry@gmail.com**



Faith Formation

Formation Sessions at All Saints:

We invite the parish community to attend formation sessions offered by our parish in the hall.

Session 5: Prayer - Presenter: Fr.

Michael Mascarenhas. Sunday, January 19 from 4-5pm or Thursday, Thursday January 30 from 7-8pm.

Session 6: Baptism & Confirmation - Presenter: Fr. Frank Carpinelli. Thursday, February 13 from 7-8 pm or Sunday February 23 from 4-5pm.



The Youth will be selling tickets for a Christmas Raffle to raise funds for St. Vincent de Paul. Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend Dec.7/8. Tickets are just \$2. Great prizes. Draw on December 9th after Mass at 7pm.



All youth in Grades 2 – 12 are invited to participate in the Christmas Pageant on Dec. 24th Mass at 5 pm. If interested, please contact Ms. Anna at mbetro@archtoronto.org as soon as possible. There will be one rehearsal on December 21 from 3 to 4:00 pm.

2025 Offering Envelopes

The new donation envelopes for 2025 are now available in the Parish Hall, please pass by after Mass this weekend December 7 & 8 to pick them up. Please have your envelope number ready to locate them easily.

Why this Synod Matters so Greatly: it Ushers in a New/Old World - Dr. Michael W. Higgins Saturday, December 14 from 9:30 am – 11:30 am - All Saints' Parish Hall

Join us as we continue to explore current events that impact our Church locally, nationally, and internationally. Dr. Michael W. Higgins just returned in October from the Vatican where he covered the three-year Synod on the ground for Paulist Press. He highlights that the Synod on Synodality is a crucial moment for our faith community and invites us to embrace this transformative journey and explore how the Synod will shape our spiritual future. You can read his full Bio on our posters. Reserve a seat after weekend Masses or request a seat by email: allsts.guestspeaker@gmail.com No Fee. Donations are gratefully received.

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