All Saints' Parish

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PARISH CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Andrzej Glaba – Pastor Rev. Paul Bégin – In Residence

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
Accountant: Lisa Maccarone Ext. 9
Youth Minister: Anna Betro Ext. 7

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 - lucyfurb@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



SCHOOLS:

All Saints': 1435 Royal York Rd 416-393-5290
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MINISTRIES:

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Parish Council:

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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

Please subscribe to receive the bulletin directly from our website, by clicking and following the instructions to sign-up: 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 Remember "All Saints' Parish" In Your Will.



Third Sunday of Advent, **December** 14th, 2025

... more than a prophet. (Matthew 11:9)

John the Baptist was a pivotal figure in the history of Israel. It had been five hundred long years since Malachi had issued his momentous prophecy concerning "the day of the Lord" (3:23). And when John came on the scene, many people recognized him as a prophet, a voice of hope—and perhaps even the fulfillment of that hope! They were so excited that they flocked to the desert to hear him and receive his baptism of repentance.

In today's Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that John is even "more than a prophet" (Matthew 11:9). He is the final messenger, "Elijah," the one who would return and prepare the way of the Lord (Malachi 3:1).

John's appearance signaled a turning of the ages, the dawn of the long-awaited Messiah. We, too, are in our own turning of the ages as we await the coming of Jesus, our Messiah. So how can we make our hearts ready for him to come, both at Christmas and at the end of time?

One way, of course, is to confess our sins. But just as John was more than a prophet, God wants to do more for us than cleanse us of sin. He wants to go deeper into our hearts and heal our inner wounds and any attitudes that might be keeping us from fully welcoming Jesus.

For example, perhaps your life hasn't turned out the way you envisioned, and you feel disappointed with God's plan. Or you may blame the Lord for something bad that has happened in your life or for not answering a heartfelt prayer. Perhaps the burdens of life have weighed you down, and you've allowed yourself to become satisfied with superficial or rote prayer.

Whatever is burdening you, now is the time to cry out to the Lord for healing! He wants you to live in freedom, not under a cloud of grief or resentment or complacency. Remember John's message: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 3:2). God's grace is at hand for you—today!

> "Lord, search my heart and set me free!" (Excerpt from The WORD Among Us)



ADVENT DAY **OF CONFESSIONS:**

available for confessions on Monday, December 15 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. 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 or by appointment. Advent and Christmas Mass https://allsaintset.archtoronto.org/en/parishlife/advent--christmas-schedule-2025/

MASS INTENTIONS

December 15th to December 20th

Mon., December 15th, St. Christiana

Carmela Brusatin Vito Sasso Gisberto, Rosa & Rosaria Amato Agostino Ventura

Tues., December 16th, St. Adelaide

Antonio & Dolores Ramirez Angela & Anthony Soyer Doreen & Anthony Rodrigues

Wed., December 17th, St. Lazarus, St. Olympias

Nicola & Raffaela Aversa Antonino & Anna Comella Graziano Bottos

Thur., December 18th, St. Gatian

Anita Meleca Antonietta, Fiorina & Giovanni Panetta Michael Juby

Fri., December 19th, Bl. Urban V

Maria Pina & Fernando Carinci Pauline & Edward Friel Di Ilio Family

Sat., December 20th, Sts. Abraham, Isaac & Jacob

Edda Cicchitti Antonio & Carlo D'Adesse Sandra Bottoni



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OFFICE HOURS:

The parish office will be open ONLY from 9:00am to 12:30pm on the following dates: December 23, 24, 30,

31. The Office will be CLOSED on the following holidays: December 25, December 26, 2025, January 1, 2026.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

December 24 – Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. **English Family Mass** 10:45 p.m. **Choir Singing of Carols** 11:30 p.m. Solemn Midnight Mass

December 25 – Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. Italian Mass 9:30 a.m. **English Mass English Mass** 11:30 a.m.

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact

Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org or

www.vocationstoronto.ca

SL ShareLife

We exceeded our Parish Goal of \$161,000.00

All Saints' Parish has always been a strong and vibrant parish for ShareLife, always supporting the mission work of the church. Through the wonderful generosity of our parishioners, we have been able to exceed our parish goal for 2025. We collected \$163,400.00. Father Andrzej Glaba and the ShareLife committee would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to our generous parishioners who made this happen. Thank you so much for making our ShareLife campaign a wonderful success! and for giving hope to all those who are suffering and in need.



Young Adults Christmas Gathering

All Young Adults are invited to attend our Chirstmas gathering on Monday, December 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Food will

be served. Come and meet other young adults, everyone (ages 18–39) is welcome! **PLEASE RSVP** by contacting the Office.



Baby Jesus Birthday Party 2025!

CHILDREN, please join us in the celebration and reflection on the birth of Jesus!

When: Saturday December 27, 2025 Where: All Saints' Church, Parish **Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Light refreshments (pizza & veggies) will be served. Please RSVP at

BabyJesusBirthdayParty.alsc@gmail.com with the name, the age and school the children attend.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS **PANETTONI & TORRONI**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettoni and Torroni in the parish hall

after all Masses this weekend December 13/14. Please come and support this annual sale! Christmas Cards \$10.00 available.



Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace

Thur. at 9 pm / Sat. at 2 pm Internet program on radiomaria.ca Click On Air Live / English Canada Join parishioners Mariangela and Nick

Part 1 – We will discuss the ways Jesus brings Peace to the world in the season of Advent, preparing for Christmas. Part 2 – Lectio Divina: Read, Reflect, Respond, Rest on the Word of God. Isaiah 9:1-6. "Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."







RAISING SAINTS Youth Group for students in Grades 5 - 8 meets on Friday, January 9 at 7PM in the Parish Hall. Come join

Little Saints Youth Group for students in Grades 2 – 4 meets will meet on Friday, January 16 at 6:45 pm in the Parish Hall. Come join us.





Faith Formation





Sessions are held in the parish hall. Sessions offered on two dates to accommodate schedules:

Topic: Prayer - Reconciliation- An Encounter with God's Love and Mercy. Presenter: Fr. Martin Ngo. Dates: Thursday, January 15 from 7-8 pm or Sunday, January 18 from 4 – 5 pm. **Topic:** The Gifts of the Holy Spirit. **Presenter:** Fr. Sunil D'Acosta. **Dates:** Thursday, January 29 from 7-8 pm or Sunday, February 8 from 4-5 pm.



All youth in Grades 2-12 are invited to participate in the Christmas Pageant at the Dec. 24th Mass at the 5 pm. If interested, please contact

Ms. Anna at mbetro@archtoronto.org as soon as possible. There will be one rehearsal on December 20 from 3-4:30 pm.

Bible Study

Do you want to go more deeply into the scriptures and to connect meaningfully with some of your fellow Catholics? We meet every Tuesday evening on Zoom, with occasional inperson get togethers. We follow Catholic bible study courses with a video component, a personal study book and we always have time to discuss with each other what we have heard. If you feel this might be for you, contact Lucy Furbacher email <u>lucyfurb@hotmail.com</u> or tel. 416 819 2508, or Teresa Meffe - teresa.meffe@gmail.com for more details. The next session will start on January 13.



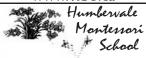
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Following last year's very generous response to our Christmas gift card drive, the tree and gift card tags are in the front fover again. You select an amount and a store. Purchase the gift

card(s) at the indicated store(s). Drop your gift cards into our collection baskets at any weekend Mass or deliver to the parish office during office hours. Please use only the stores we have indicated because they are local and have diverse offerings: Loblaws /No Frills/ PC/ Superstore, Metro /Food Basics, Walmart, or Dollarama. Feel free to write your weekly envelope number or name/address on the outside of any envelope to have the amount included in your annual tax receipt. These gift cards will be used by the SSVP at All Saints to support our local neighbours in need. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity!

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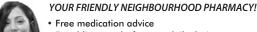
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