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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am,  
11:00 am, 12:30 pm, 6:00 pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 am

**First Friday of the month:**

6:00 pm Exposition

7:00 pm Benediction

7:30 pm Mass

Saturday 9:00 am

**Holiday Mondays**

8:30 am Mass only

## CONFESSION

*Anytime by appointment.*

1st Fridays 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday 3:15 - 4:15 pm

## DEVOTIONS

*Our Mother of Perpetual Help*

*Mondays at 9:00 am in the Church*

*Followed by Holy Rosary*

*with Cenacle M.M.P.*

## PARISH OFFICE

Sunday: Closed

Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Friday 9 AM - 1 PM

2 PM - 4 PM

*(closed for lunch from 1pm - 2pm)*

*During Summer months the parish  
office closes on Fridays at noon.*

Saturday: 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

EMAIL: [stjosephmi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjosephmi@archtoronto.org)

## PARISH TEAM

Fr Paul Dobson Parish Priest

Fr Anish Alex Associate Pastor

Deacon George Jurenas

Deacon Oliver D'Mello

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** Call the parish office or  
email [baptisms@stjosephstreetsville.com](mailto:baptisms@stjosephstreetsville.com)

**First Holy Communion / Confirmation**

email [sacraments.stjosephmi@gmail.com](mailto:sacraments.stjosephmi@gmail.com) or call 905-826-2766 ext 226

**Anointing of the Sick** For the ill and elderly. Contact the parish office.

**Marriage** Couples must contact the parish office (905-826-2766)

or by email [stjosephmi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjosephmi@archtoronto.org)

\*\*\* *Or refer to our website tab* | **Sacraments at St. Joseph** |

at <https://stjosephmi.archtoronto.org> *for more information*

## MINISTRIES

**Catholic Women's League** Meet every 3rd Saturday at 9:30 am.

email: [cwlstjosephstreetsville@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjosephstreetsville@gmail.com)

webpage: [sites.google.com/view/cwlstjosephstreetsville](http://sites.google.com/view/cwlstjosephstreetsville)

**Divine Mercy Prayer Group** Alphonsa Meyn: t: 416-659-1490

email: [dmpgdurie@gmail.com](mailto:dmpgdurie@gmail.com)

**Prayer Line: 905-817-1288, [elsa\\_sa@live.com](mailto:elsa_sa@live.com)**

**Knights of Columbus** Every 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Contact Grand

Knight Antonio D'Souza: 647-323-2797, [GK8661@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:GK8661@ontariokofc.ca)

**Legion of Mary** For inquiries or to have Our Lady of Fatima statue to  
visit your home, email [stjosephlegionofmary@yahoo.ca](mailto:stjosephlegionofmary@yahoo.ca)

**Rosary Apostolate** Margaret: 289-914-5747, Aileen: 905-607-6851

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** Call the parish office **ext. 3**

**Youth Ministry** Megan [ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com](mailto:ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com)

## NEW PARISHONERS

Request Parish Registration at the Office  
or on our website in the Contact Us Tab

## PARISH SCHOOLS

**Our Lady of Good Voyage** 5850 River Grove Ave

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H O C F A C I T E I N M E A M C O M M E M O R A T I O N E M

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SAT 18 </b>	
4:30 pm	Special Intention
<b>SUN 19 </b>	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>
8:00 am †	Giorgio Pompilaii
9:30 am	<i>Pro Popolo</i>
11:00 am †	Helen Ozga
12:30 pm †	Maria Checko
6:00 pm †	Bernardina Maceta
<b>MON 20 </b>	<b>St. Fabian</b>
8:30 am †	Petra Santos In Thanksgiving to St. Sebastian
<b>TUES 21 </b>	<b>St. Agnes</b>
8:30 am †	Mary D’Souza
<b>WED 22 </b>	
8:30 am †	Walter Teodoro
<b>THUR 23 </b>	
8:30 am	In Thanksgiving
<b>FRI 24 </b>	<b>St. Francis de Sales</b>
8:30 am	<i>Multiple Intentions Mass</i>
<b>SAT 25 </b>	<b>The Conversion of St Paul</b>
9:00 am	<i>Multiple Intentions Mass</i>

**SAUL, THE PHARISEE RECEIVES GOD’S GRACE**

January 25<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The New Testament saint has such an enormous influence on the Christian Church. The basic facts are quite well known. Saul, a young and fanatical pharisee, was a rising star in the Jewish world. He was a Jew of the “diaspora”, one of the many Jewish families that had lived for generations in cities of the Greco-Roman world beyond the Holy Land. He came from Tarsus, a city near the Mediterranean coast in modern Turkey, and was born with the distinction of being a Roman citizen, a great privilege with many advantages, which few Jews enjoyed. He had also benefited from a very good education under the famous Rabbi Gamaliel.

It was Gamaliel who had famously argued before the Sanhedrin that it was foolish to fight against the Christians because if they were not of divine origin they would die out naturally; but if, on the other hand, they were of divine origin, then not only could no earthly power defeat them, but the Jewish authorities might even find themselves fighting against God Himself. (v. Acts 5:34-42)

Yet this was what Saul, Gamaliel’s star pupil, tried to do. He poured his considerable energy and zeal into organising the persecution of the followers of Christ, treating them as heretics from the purest form of Jewish religion. In after days, when he had become Paul the Apostle, he would describe very powerfully his former zeal as a pharisee, and his hatred for Our Lord. The rest of his life he saw as a wonderful opportunity given by God, and totally undeserved, to make amends for all the harm he had done, by being a follower and preacher of Christ, and offering all his sufferings and trials for love of Our Lord, and the success of His Church on earth.


But this is too ahead! Having assisted in the stoning of St. Stephen the Deacon and first martyr (v. Acts 7:57-60), Saul “**worked for the total destruction of the Church; he went from house to house arresting both men and women and sending them to prison**”. (Acts 8:3).


It was outside the gates of Damascus that his famous conversion occurred. He was blinded and heard the voice of One who said to him: “Saul, why are you persecuting me?” (Acts 9:4). Saul asked, “*who are you, Lord?*” recognising the voice as One of great authority. The voice replied: “*I am Jesus, and you are persecuting me*”. This extraordinary experience convinced Saul that Jesus was not only truly alive and reigning in glorious power and light, but that He identified Himself with His persecuted followers: “why are you persecuting me? - not persecuting my followers.

From this announcement Paul was to develop his entire understanding of the Church as the Body of Christ, united in Him, the Head, as His members. After this, the blinded Saul was taken into the city, helpless and there met Ananias, a Christian who was told in a vision to baptize Saul. Once baptized, Saul regained his sight, so showing that Baptism is the sacrament of enlightenment, by which we see the truth of God’s teaching. For faith is just that—the gift of spiritual sight and light. Out of the darkness of sin and unbelief, Saul the Pharisee became Paul, the great Apostle and teacher of the gentile nations.

~ FR. PAUL DOBSON

**YOUTH MINISTRIES AT ST. JOSEPH**  
**LifeTeen:** Grades 9-12 | **Edge:** Grades 6-8  
 For more info or to register, email Megan, our Youth Minister at [ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com](mailto:ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com)  
**Follow us on Instagram @ym.stjosephmi to keep up with our schedule and events!**

**MONTHLY PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS**  
**JANUARY - For the right to an education**  

*Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.*

**SPIRITUAL WALK-IN MINISTRY**  
*with Deacon George – Tuesdays 7 pm – 8 pm*  
 Resumes on January 28<sup>th</sup> to answer questions and lend spiritual support. **(No cost)** (25-minute slots)  
 Book appointment with QR code   
 or drop-in. <https://bit.ly/3YDCZpc> or

**Smile for the week:**                      **Answer:**  
 How do vets make sick birds better?  
*They give them tweetment*

## MINISTRIES

### ST. JOSEPH LifeTeen - GROWING YOUNG RETREAT

Join us for: **GROWING YOUNG** a LifeTeen overnight retreat focused on childlike faith and dependence on The Father. For teens in grades 9-12 on Friday, Jan 31-Sunday, Feb 2 Email Youth Minister Megan, [ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com](mailto:ym.stjosephmi@gmail.com), for more details and to register.

### CWL Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest

Will be held in the St. Joseph's Parish Hall on Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, following the 9am mass.

This contest is open to students in Grades 7 and 8 from our parish schools, private or public. For further information, contact "Service Chair" at [cwlstjoseph.parish@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjoseph.parish@gmail.com).

### CWL St. Michael's college Scholarship

The Toronto Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is offering a \$3,000 scholarship to the University of Toronto, St. Michael's College to any young woman who is of Catholic faith, who is completing her secondary school education, and who has indicated on her application to the University of Toronto that St. Michael's College is her first choice. The applicant must be entering the Faculty of Arts and Science in one of the following areas of study: Commerce, Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences or Sciences. Applications must be submitted by May 31, 2025. For further information, please contact "Service Chair" at [wlstjoseph.parish@gmail.com](mailto:wlstjoseph.parish@gmail.com).

### Pilgrimage with Fr. Anish Alex - April 28 – May 11

*Toronto Departure* Visit: Fatima, Valencia, Montserrat, Avila, Barcelona, Andorra, Lourdes and other locations. . See flyers at both entrances for information or email [group@qstours.com](mailto:group@qstours.com) | 905-412-3355 / 1-800-565-3619

### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

*Prayer meetings every Wednesday in the Hall at 7 p.m.*

Will resume from Wednesday, January 8, 2025

### OUR FORTHCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES – 2025

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 – 7 p.m. – Hall

### SAINT FAUSTINA AND THE DIVINE MERCY IMAGE

Wednesday, January 29 – 6.45 p.m. – Church

### "HOLY MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS"

Saturday, April 5 – 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Hall

### "LENTEN RETREAT" – Details to follow

Sunday, April 27 – 2.30 p.m. – Church

### "FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY"

April 23 to May 28 – 6.30 p.m. – Hall

### "GROWTH IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR"

ALL ARE WELCOME!

## AROUND THE ARCH

**MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2025** - February 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto) to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment and are welcome to attend. Register early to get reserved seating if celebrating a milestone anniversary (search Marriage Sunday at [arch.toronto.org](http://arch.toronto.org)). 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 livestream [Mass https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/](https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/).

### MENTAL HEALTH ANONYMOUS

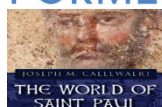
With Deacon George that operates along the same lines as an AA meeting from a Catholic perspective. Just as Jesus casts out demons in the gospels, we are called to cast out the demons of anxiety, fear, frustration and loneliness. Next meetings are at St. Joseph parish in the lower-level meeting room. The Next meeting are Thursday February 13 and Thursday February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

See the website for further details: [mha.global](http://mha.global).

### YEAR OF JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE CHURCHES

In commemoration of the opening of the 2025 Jubilee Year there will be two Masses celebrated in the Western Pastoral Region's Pilgrimage Parishes. These designated holy places of worship have been identified to serve as pilgrimage destinations during the Jubilee Year. Masses at our designated churches are at ***Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Etobicoke*** on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7 p.m. celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Ivan Camilleri & at ***St. Mary's Parish in Brampton*** celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Frank Leo on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 followed by a reception. For more information, please visit [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org) and look for Year of Jubilee 2025.

### FORMED® Jan 19, 2025 This Week on FORMED



**The World of St. Paul** by Joseph M. Callewaert - AUDIO  
Some scholars claim he "invented" Christianity.

Is the creation of Paul's religious experience, not the doctrine of Jesus. Callewaert rejects this theory, he considers the abiding traditions of the ages against present-day judgments.

### THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHANGED THE COURSE OF HUMAN HISTORY.

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