

# St. Pius X Parish

2305 Bloor Street West, Toronto ON M6S 1P1

Tel. 416-767-1859 Fax. 416-767-7715

office@saintpiusx.ca www.saintpiusx.ca



## Pastoral Staff

Fr. Massillamani Zacharias  
(Fr. Mani), **Pastor**

Michelle Somers, **Parish Secretary**

## Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

## Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 pm  
Sunday 9 am and 11 am

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am

## Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

## Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am Thursday

## Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every first Friday of the month at 9 am  
following 8:30 am Mass

## Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays 4 pm to 4:30 pm or by appointment

## Sacrament of Baptism

Register online at [www.saintpiusx.ca/baptism](http://www.saintpiusx.ca/baptism),  
or call or email the office for more information

## Sacrament of Marriage

1 year advance notice is required.  
Call or email the office for an appointment

## Parish Ministries/Organizations

- Altar Servers
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Ushers/Greeters
- Musicians
- Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation
- Finance Council
- Catholic Women's League

## School

St. Pius X Catholic School  
71 Jane Street Tel: 416-393-5237

## New and Current Parishioners

We invite you to join our Parish family by  
registering with the parish office at  
[www.saintpiusx.ca](http://www.saintpiusx.ca) or by contacting the Office

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PIUS X PARISH IN YOUR WILL**



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, November 18

5pm + Joyce Costello

### Sunday, November 19

9am + Joseph Slobodnik

11am + Amelia Udasco

### Tuesday, November 21

8:30am + Patrick & Briget Dolan

### Wednesday, November 22

8:30am Dalia & Geert Gevaert

### Thursday, November 23

8:30am + Lawrance Rodrigues

+ Helen Rosati

+ Julio Abreu & Dora Abreu

+ Bendon Dsouza

+ Angus Dunphy

### Friday, November 24

8:30am + Joyce Costello

### 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13, 16-18,  
20, 26, 28-31++

Psalms: Ps 128.1-2, 3, 4-5

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30

#### SPONSORING THE VIGIL CANDLE:

Parishioners are invited to become weekly or monthly sponsors of the Tabernacle Vigil Candle. You can make it special by spending time in front of the Tabernacle in family prayer and adoration. Please contact the parish office if you wish to donate to the Vigil Candle.

#### The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Intentions of:

Mary Ann Dunphy – October & November

Marie-Thérèse Sophoulis – December

Marthese Fenech – January 2024

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

#### *The Master Will Settle His Account with Them*

Jesus' story about a businessman who leaves town and entrusts his money with his workers made perfect sense to his audience. Wealthy merchants and businessmen often had to travel abroad and leave the business to others to handle while they were gone. Why did Jesus tell this story and what can it teach us? Most importantly, it tells us something about how God deals with us, his disciples, and servants. The parable speaks first of the Master's trust in his servants. While he goes away, he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the Master's workers would be industrious and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. The master rewards those who are industrious and faithful, and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money. The essence of the parable seems to lie in the servants' conception of responsibility. Each servant entrusted with the Master's money was faithful up to a certain point. The servant who buried the master's money was irresponsible. One can bury seeds in the ground and expect them to become productive because they obey natural laws. Coins, however, do not obey natural laws. They obey economic laws and become productive in circulation. The master expected his servants to be productive in the use of his money.

What do coins and the law of economics have to do with the kingdom of God? The Lord entrusts the subjects of his kingdom with gifts and graces, and he gives his subjects the freedom to use them as they think best. With each gift and talent, God gives sufficient means (grace and wisdom) for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honors those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have. There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the Christian life. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Sacrament Registrations Closed**

Registrations for 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, and Confirmation in 2024 are now closed. If you have any concerns, please call the parish office.

### **Pray for Peace**

During the whole month of November, please take the time to pray for peace in Palestine, Israel, Ukraine, and other parts of our world that are suffering because of hatred and division.

### **2024 Offertory Envelopes**

Offertory envelopes for 2024 will be available for pickup in the church foyer throughout the month of December. If you do not currently have envelopes but would like a box, please contact the parish office.

### **All Souls Memorial Box & Book of Remembrance**

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. You are welcome to write the name(s) of your loved one(s) in our book of remembrance after Mass and place your "All Souls" offertory envelope in the memorial offertory basket available to you at the front of the altar.

### **Remember Your Loved Ones**

For the month of November, parishioners are invited to bring in the Funeral Cards of their loved ones. Fr. Mani will place them in front of the altar for your prayers.

### **Do You Have Gifts of Time and Talent?**

We want to start a **Building Committee** for the Parish. The Committee would advise Fr. Mani with respect to necessary capital and maintenance projects. If you have skills in general contracting, the trades, building, and/or project management, please call the office and speak with Fr. Mani.

We are also recruiting one or two additional members for the parish's **Finance Council**. If you have skills in the business, legal, entrepreneurial, marketing, fundraising or HR arenas and would like to contribute your time, please call the office and speak with Fr. Mani.

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

The St. Pius X Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has decided to suspend its charitable operations effective December 31, 2023. Donors will receive tax receipts for donations made up to the end of the year. For more information, please see the notice on the church foyer bulletin board.

### **Archdiocesan Consultation Underway**

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. To learn more, read the letter of invitation and complete the short survey by December 15, 2023:

[www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation).

### **Special Collection**

The Shepherd's Trust is a fund for the care of retired diocesan priests, and so we "care for those who always cared for us." Please learn more at [www.shepherdstrust.org](http://www.shepherdstrust.org), and donate this weekend.

**PROFESSIONAL STONE MASON**  
 Brickpointing • Patios • Walkways  
 Guaranteed Work  
 36 Years Experience  
 Mark 416-723-3763

Nicholson's  
**nofrills**  
 lower food prices  
 2187 Bloor St. W.

  
**LF OPTICAL**  
 Now open in Bloor West Village at 2321 Bloor Street West!  
 Come see why The LF Optical Group has been The GTA'S choice  
 for designer and luxury eyewear for less for over 30 years!  
 416-762-2657 www.lfoptical.com

**Sutton**  
 Realty Systems Inc., Brokerage  
  
**Maura Walsh**  
 Sales Representative  
**416-762-4200**  
 Moving Wisely

  
**KINGSWAY MEAT PRODUCTS**  
 & DELICATESSEN LTD.  
 2342 Bloor St. W.  
 416-762-5365  
 www.kingswaymeats.com

 **Bloor & Kennedy flowers**   
 Flowers For All Occasions & Ages  
 Since 1989  
**2194 Bloor St W 416-766-0175**  
 www.bk2194flowers.com

**YUMI**  
 Japanese Restaurant  
 2384 Bloor St. W.  
 416-766-3293

Call 905-624-4422 for this space

  
**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**  
 FUNERAL SERVICES  
 In keeping with your Catholic faith  
 www.catholic-cemeteries.com  
 Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home  
 905-889-7467  
 Queen of Heaven Cemetery  
 905-851-5822

Don't leave our advertisers HANGING!  
 Please patronize and tell them that you appreciate their support  
 Your advertisers make this bulletin possible  
**EAT LOCAL SHOP LOCAL ENJOY LOCAL**



**Remember...**  
 Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.



  
**Shopping Locally Saves Gas**

**ROTO-ROOTER**  
 416-503-4444  
 www.rotorooter.com  
 • PLUMBING • DISASTER CLEAN UP  
 • DRAINS • RESTORATION SERVICES  
 "1 Call Solves It All"

  
**PHYSIOTHERAPY**  
 (Paid by OHIP)  
 2146 Bloor St. W.  
 physiotherapybloorwest.com  
**Evelyn Brett**  
 416-766-8565

*Joe's Friendly Neighbourhood Hardware Store*  
**Baby Point Hardware**  
 777 Annette St. 416-769-7774  
 www.babypointhardware.com

**PHARMASAVE**  
 Ulana Kopystansky  
 Germiné Beshay  
 Live Well Consultant Pharmacists  
 2388 Bloor St. W.  
 416-604-1234

**IT'S WISE to ADVERTISE!**

**Essential Oils - You are so WORTH it!**  
 Chemical-free Lifestyle, Better Sleep, Healthier Skin  
 Immune System Support, Emotional Balance



Get Your Premium Starter Kit Today!  
 www.get-oiling.com  
 Lynda - 416-949-5710

 **YOUNG LIVING** INDEPENDENT DISTRIBUTOR

**THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!**



**TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL 905-624-4422**

  
**ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL**  
 Under the direction of the Basilian Fathers  
 Grades 7 to 12  
 University preparatory  
**APPLYSMCS.COM**

