# St. Pius X Parish

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**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 and 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)

Saturday 4 pm to 4:30 pm or by appointment

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

Register online at 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/Committees/Organizations**

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

## **Catholic School**

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

## Holy Communion for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us

## **New Parishioners: Welcome!**

We invite you to join our Parish family by registering with the parish office at www.saintpiusx.ca or by contacting the Office

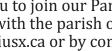
To Join







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



To Donate





Saturday, June 7 5 pm + Stjepan Merdzan

Sunday, June 8 9 am Parishioners 11 am Mary Buckley

**Tuesday, June 10** 8:30 am + Armando Almaria

Wednesday, June 11 8:30 am Parishioners

**Thursday, June 12** 8:30 am Parishioners

Friday, June 13 8:30 am Parishioners



#### **Pentecost Sunday**

 First Reading:
 Acts 2.1-11

 Psalm:
 Ps 104.1ab+24ac, 29b-30, 31+34

 Second Reading:
 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13

 Gospel:
 John 20.19-23

#### Sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary lamp signifies the Real Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It burns for the greater



glory of God. Parishioners are invited to become monthly sponsors of the Sanctuary Lamp. Please contact the parish office if you wish to donate.

Doing so becomes an opportunity for friends and families to pray at the Tabernacle, knowing the Lamp burns for their intentions.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in May for the intentions of: ---

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

## "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. This event marks the beginning of the Church. We should never fail to marvel at the fact that 2000 years later, the Church is still active and growing. No other human institution has lasted as long as the Catholic Church. The permanence of the Church points to one fact, that the Church is not merely a human enterprise, but a divine one. The Church will always persist for it is constantly being guided by the same Holy Spirit that descended on the first Pentecost.

It is no accident that Jesus clearly stated at the time of the coming of the Holy Spirit: "Peace be with you." This above all is what he wishes to give his followers. It is not the peace of the world, the absence of war, and abundance of material goods. The peace of Christ is something else, a peace which no one can take away, which endures forever, which is without cost but more valuable than any earthly good. In its essence, peace is closely linked to the gift of salvation in Jesus Christ.

The forgiveness of sins is at the heart of the message of peace, entrusted to the Church by Christ, born at Pentecost. To his followers, who receive the Holy Spirit, Jesus gave and gives a particular commandment, namely, to carry his peace, the message of salvation, to the ends of the earth. As the Father sent Jesus into the world, so Jesus sends his followers forth.

At Baptism and Confirmation, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are bestowed in a particular way. What becomes of those gifts is dependent on our willing cooperation with the grace of God in our life.

In the Holy Eucharist, we experience over and over again the life-giving presence of the Holy Spirit, who now and always pours out gifts on the beloved of God. May we open our hearts so that we truly experience the marvelous action of the Holy Spirit leading us from the shadow of death to the house of our Maker, who is our lasting hope and peace. (Excerpts from: Loyola Press; Archdiocese of Toronto; Monastery of Christ in the Desert.)

#### PARISH NEWS

### 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Pius X Parish

2026 will mark 75 years since our Parish was founded. We are planning a celebration and are hoping older parishioners can help with their memories of the earlier days. Perhaps you were a member of this parish 20 to 25 years ago or more, celebrated an event or were married here, or have a story or memorabilia that will bring to life our parish history. If so, please speak to Fr. Mani.

#### **Corpus Christi Mass & Procession**

All are welcome to join Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, for a Corpus Christi Mass & Procession at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.) on Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> following the noon Mass. A procession (45 minutes) will take place in the vicinity surrounding the cathedral followed by Solemn Benediction and some time for fellowship. Join us as "Pilgrims of Hope" during this special Year of Jubilee.

#### Sacred Heart of Jesus

The entire month of June is devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You may view a message at this link: <u>Archdiocese of Toronto - Message from Cardinal Leo on the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus</u>.

#### Webinar: The Our Father

From the Canadian Catholic Council of Bishops presented by Dr. Josephine Lombardi: <u>A Great Symphony of Prayer: The</u> <u>Our Father as a Programme of Life -</u> <u>Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops</u> (enter this title into your browser or click on the link in our online Bulletin).

#### ShareLife Special Collection

The third and last special collection for the ShareLife 2025 annual campaign will be this weekend, June 7-8. So far, our Parish has achieved about 39% of its goal, or \$18,224 of \$47,000. Because of you, people who feel the weight of the world on their shoulders can experience some relief. For example, young mother Sarah, and her 4-week-old baby, who

fled a life-threatening situation. She went from being alone, homeless and afraid, to supported, secure and safe through programs at Catholic Family Services of Durham. You can contribute using a ShareLife envelope from our foyer, online through our parish website, or at https://sharelife.org/donate.

#### **Special Collection for Marygrove Camp**

Next weekend, June 14-15, there will be a Special Collection for the Marygrove Camp for Girls. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul helps over 1,000 girls each summer, registering eligible campers through home visits. Marygrove Camp is a residential camp situated on Georgian Bay. The Camp helps eligible girls ages 5-13 with financial or domestic hardship enjoy a subsidized joyful camping experience. Please give generously.

#### Martyrs' Shrine Invitation

The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs (Midland) is holding a Gala Dinner at the Bellvue in Vaughan, Ontario, on June 11<sup>th</sup>, with all proceeds going to support upgrades to its infrastructure during its centennial year. With special guest Cardinal Francis Leo, guests will enjoy food at booths hosted by some of the major ethnic pilgrimage groups and a banquet dinner. Tickets are \$200 and available at <u>https://martyrs-shrine.com/spring-gala</u>.

#### Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome

The Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee 2025 Committee is organizing a week-long pilgrimage to Rome with Cardinal Frank Leo from November 10 to 17, 2025. The pilgrimage will include visits to Rome's major basilicas and Holy Door, daily Mass, and a day trip to Assisi. Registration is now full. To join the waitlist, visit: https://bit.ly/ArchTORome2025.



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