

St. Pius X Parish

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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



To Donate



To Volunteer



PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PIUS X PARISH IN YOUR WILL



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 9

5 pm + Patricia Prez

Sunday, August 10

9 am + Bill & Elaine Froggatt

11 am Parishioners

Tuesday, August 12

8:30 am + Rena Riley

Wednesday, August 13

8:30 am Paul & Melissa Kim

Thursday, August 14

8:30 am + Michael Tighe

Friday, August 15

8:30 am + John & Mary O'Toole

+ Rosa Mallia



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 18.6-9

Psalm: Ps 33.1+12, 18-19, 20+22

Second Reading: Hebrews 11.1-2, 8-19

Gospel: Luke 12.32-48



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 August for the intentions of:

Tekun Ji Tjandra

GOSPEL REFLECTION

“From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required...”

Today's readings remind us that since God has chosen us as his own, we must always be ready to answer his call. The author of the Book of Wisdom is looking back to centuries earlier when the first Passover took place. The Passover meal was established as a sacred bond among the Israelites for sharing their joys and sorrows in common, always under God's loving care. The sacred writer uses this reference to point out that the pursuit of true wisdom, the source of all good, is obtained especially through upright living and fervent prayer. In the Second Reading we read that faith – the assurance of things hoped for – is what enables us all to believe in the promises of God. Faith sustains us in watching and waiting for the Lord's presence.

This notion links us to the Gospel text for this Sunday, which is about living without fear and always trusting in God who can make his “little flock,” the poor in spirit, sharers in the Kingdom, the Reign of God. The poor are not so much those who have little or nothing in the realm of material things, but those who know their need for God and who follow the Lord's instructions about trusting in God.

If we place our hope in God, placing our hearts where our treasure is to be found, in God, then our treasure is secure (free from “thieves and moths”) and well invested, since nothing can be lost (“like purses that do not wear out”). Love entrusts what it has into God's faithful and loving hands. This Christian attitude toward life is not based on human wisdom but flows from a love of Christ. That is spiritual wisdom at its purest and simplest.

Jesus speaks to us at length of the importance of staying awake. Reflect upon how aware you are of His constant presence in your life and of His ongoing communication. Know that if you can form a habit of always listening, then you will never miss out on the grace-filled mission given to you by our Lord. If a person is continually attentive to the voice of God and responds to His interior promptings as soon as they are received, then Jesus says that this person is truly blessed and that He will “have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them”. (Excerpts from: *Benedictine Abbey of Christ in the Desert; My Catholic Life.*)

PARISH NEWS

Visiting Preacher on Missions

On the weekend of August 16-17, we will welcome Fr. Jubin Lawrence, S.J., who will be preaching to us about his missionary work in different parts of the world. He will also speak about the missionary vocation.

Church Repairs

As a result of last year's flooding incident, we will need to rectify some faulty underground plumbing. This will involve catch basin work at three locations on the property, among other labour. We will also be repairing the posts and roof over the entrance to the office where the flooding occurred and the wood is rotten. Fr. Mani is asking for help to fund these necessary repairs. In the past, some parishioners have been very generous. A name plaque will be added to the board at the back of the church for anyone who can contribute more than \$3000. Details of these two projects are posted on the board in the church foyer.

Annual Mass for Faithful Departed

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Mass for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic Cemeteries. The Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 7:00 pm. Locations of Masses and the celebrants are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. The bishop of our Region, Most Rev. Robert Kasun, will celebrate the Mass to be held in the Mount Hope Cemetery in Toronto.

Jubilee Pilgrimage – Martyrs' Shrine

The Archdiocese of Toronto has organized a "Pilgrims of Hope" pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine for Sunday, August 24. Mass will be celebrated by Frank Cardinal Leo at 11:00 am. There will be opportunities for Reconciliation, a Rosary Procession, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, as well as fellowship with members of our Catholic community. More information is available on the poster on our bulletin board and

at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/year-of-prayer/home/pilgrimage-to-martyrs-shrine/>.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection this weekend, August 9-10, for the Parish Building Fund.

A second collection will also be held next weekend, August 16-17, for Canadian Missions. Catholic Missions in Canada and the selected dioceses in Northern Canada will benefit from your generosity to sustain and extend the Catholic faith to isolated, poor, and hard-to-reach mission areas in our country. Thank you for your support of this important work!

Youth Ministry Training Weekend

We are encouraging any parishioners who are interested in Youth Ministry to take the opportunity to receive training and formation. The ELEVATE Youth Ministry Training Program will be available on September 13-14 at St. Bonaventure Parish (1300 Leslie St.). The Saturday is set aside for adults involved in starting or supporting ministry efforts in their parishes, while Sunday is formation for high school-aged young people to work with younger kids in parishes. Website: <https://ocytoronto.org/events>, or see the poster on the board in the foyer. To register, go to: <https://form.jotform.com/242254895152258> (Teen) <https://form.jotform.com/240445225904250> (Adult)

Blessed Carlo Acutis

Carlo Acutis' awaited canonization as the first millennial saint is poised to occur on September 7, 2025. The Italian computer whiz, who famously developed a website documenting Eucharistic miracles before dying at age 15 in 2006 of leukemia, will officially join the sainthood alongside the late Italian Catholic activist Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925). Here is the link to official website: [Carlo Acutis](https://www.carloacutis.org/).

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