

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, November 1

5 pm The Faithful Departed (individual intentions to be read at Mass)

Sunday, November 2

9 am + All Souls
+ Stephen Brandon
11 am The Faithful Departed (individual intentions to be read at Mass)

Tuesday, November 4

8:30 am + All Souls
+ Ranjo & Udasco Families

Wednesday, November 5

8:30 am + All Souls
+ Fritz Rehm
Silviu Genescu

Thursday, November 6

8:30 am + Stephanie Pavlich

Friday, November 7

8:30 am + John & Mary O'Toole
+ Rosa Mallia



Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

First Reading: Wisdom 3.1-9
Psalm: Ps 116.5-6, 10-11, 15+16ac
Second Reading: Revelations 21.1-5a, 6b-7
Gospel: Luke 7.11-17

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 November for the intentions of: Priscilla Santos

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"God has looked favourably on his people!"

All Souls' Day is focused on remembrance of and praying for those who have died, but there is no Gloria or Creed sung at Mass today. This accords with the somber character of the day, as we recall all the deceased, known to us or not, who may not yet be experiencing the fullness of the Beatific Vision before God's Throne. These we usually call the "souls of the faithful departed."

We believe that we continue to share a relationship with those who have died. When we pray for the souls of the faithful departed, we are praying for those whose souls are journeying through purgatory, being prepared for eternal life in heaven. We believe that our prayers for them will help to speed their journey to eternal life with God in heaven. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church defines Purgatory, all who have died in God's grace and friendship, but lack the needed purification to fully enter into God's presence, are assured of their eternal salvation. After dying, many or most souls must undergo purification to attain the holiness needed to experience the joy of heaven.

Purification of all attachment to sin within our souls is a mercy beyond what we can imagine. Through this final purification, God prepares the holy souls who have died for an eternity of joy. This purification is necessary because God, in His love, does not want any soul to live eternally with even a minor attachment to sin. God wants us all free. The truth is that every sin on our soul, even the smallest one, is reason enough for us to be excluded from Heaven. So Purgatory must be seen as a final mercy from God by which He lifts every burden that keeps us from perfect love, so that our eternity will be one of utmost freedom and ecstasy.

In the Order for Christian Funerals, one of the prayers of commendation ends this way: "May you return to your Creator, who formed you from the dust of the earth. May holy Mary, the angels and all the saints come to meet you as you go forth from this life...May you see your Redeemer face to face."

In his death and Resurrection, Jesus has conquered death for all those who believe in him. (Excerpts from: *My Catholic Life; Monastery of Christ in the Desert.*)

PARISH NEWS

Memorial Cards for All Souls' Day

We will again be displaying in front of the altar the memorial cards of parishioners' loved ones who have passed away. Please bring your memorial cards and give them to Fr. Mani before or after any Mass.

Book of Remembrance 2025

For the entire month of November, we will be praying for all our faithful departed. You are invited to write the names(s) of your loved one(s) in our Book of Remembrance near the altar after Mass and place your All Souls Remembrance donation envelope in the memorial offering basket.

All Souls' Day Mass at Catholic Cemeteries

There will be an All Souls' Day Mass on Saturday, November 8, at 2 p.m. at various cemeteries in Toronto. The closest one to our church is the Assumption Cemetery in Mississauga, indoors at Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum (6933 Tomken Road).



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – November 15

St. Pius X Catholic Women's League Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 15 from 10 am to 2 pm in the church Hall. Items for sale: Baked Goods, New Gifts, Christmas Decorations, Knitted Goods and Jewelry. There will also be a Silent Auction and Wine Raffle. Donations of homemade baked goods can be dropped off in the Church Hall on Friday, November 14 between 5 pm and 8 pm or on Saturday, November 15 before the Bazaar opens. Please indicate if your baking contains nuts. All proceeds from the Bazaar will go to various charities. Please come out and support this event! Bring your family and friends, do some early Christmas shopping, and share in the St. Pius X community spirit over a cup of coffee or tea.

Red Mass

On November 19, 2025, Red Wednesday will be marked across Canada and around the

world. In Toronto, a Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica by Most Reverend John A. Boissonneau, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto. The day is dedicated to remembering Christians who face violence, discrimination, or death for their faith. The colour red symbolizes the blood of martyrs and reminds us that millions still suffer today. Parishes, schools, and communities can participate by praying, wearing red, hosting events, lighting churches and buildings, sharing online, and fundraising to strengthen support to Aid to the Church in Need for those who suffer. Every action, large or small, sends hope. More information: www.acn-canada.org/rw/

Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend, November 8-9, for the Parish Building Fund.

Boxes of Offertory Envelopes

Watch for the boxes of envelopes for 2026 in the church foyer before every weekend Mass, coming soon. If you have not yet registered as a parishioner, we ask that you do so online and you will be assigned a box number if requested. However, we continue to encourage parishioners to sign up for online donations instead of envelopes. This saves the extra time and cost incurred by purchasing the boxes and processing your donations manually.



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