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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

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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, May 9

5 pm + John & Mary Hunter

Sunday, May 10

9 am Parishioners

11 am + Alice Golias Kresic

Tuesday, May 12

8:30 am + Gloria Lawless

Wednesday, May 13

8:30 am Carmel Hayes – Safe Travels

Thursday, May 14

8:30 am Anthony Capetola

Friday, May 15

8:30 am + Margaret Henning

+ Joseph Henning

+ Cha Cesela



Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 8.5-8, 14-17

Psalm: Ps 66.1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a, 16+20

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3.15-18

Gospel: John 14.15-21



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: Priscilla Santos

GOSPEL REFLECTION

“...I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.”

Jesus assures us that he won't make us children of God in Baptism only to leave us “orphans”. The feeling of being an orphan, of longing for belonging, points to a deeper spiritual reality that Jesus addressed at the Last Supper with His disciples.

Those with close families are truly blessed, as a supportive family fosters personal growth and a sense of belonging. When one is orphaned, the absence of these natural bonds can leave a lasting sense of loss. Yet even the strongest earthly family relationships point to a greater truth: our ultimate belonging is found in God's family.

Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. He will leave to return to the Father but will ask his Father to give the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, they will understand that they participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: “On that day, you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I in you.”

Jesus uses the term ‘Advocate’ to describe the Holy Spirit whom the disciples will receive. Note that Jesus says that he will send “another Advocate”. Jesus himself is the first Advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

We also see the promised gift of His Spirit being conferred in today's First Reading. The scene from Acts depicts an early form of the Confirmation rite. The Apostles send their representatives, Peter and John, to pray and lay hands on the newly baptized that they might receive the Holy Spirit. This is the origin of our Sacrament of Confirmation, by which the grace of Baptism is completed, and believers are sealed with the Spirit promised by Jesus. We remain in this grace so long as we love Christ and keep His commandments. We are especially fortified at the sacrament of Confirmation for the work of spreading the Gospel message. The first Christians were recognized and admired by others because of their love for one another. Our proclamation of the Gospel may entail great works, but with most of us, it is simply living our lives well.

The Gospel reminds us of the unbreakable bond between us and Christ, expressed through love for God and for each other, and through obedience to his commandments. (Excerpts from: *My Catholic Life*; Scott Hahn Reflections; Loyola Press.)

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Prayer

On the second weekend of the month, we celebrate the wedding anniversaries of those who married in the month of May. Let us congratulate and pray for them:

Heavenly Father! We thank You for this day as we celebrate wedding anniversaries. We thank You for journeying with them. Thank You for making them strong and keeping them close. May You continue to bless their house with much happiness. We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mother's Day Message

"Her witness enlightens our path." His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo has issued a message on the Month of the Blessed Mother. You can read it here: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/cardinal-leos-message-for-the-month-of-the-blessed-mother/>.

Second Collection

There will be a Second Collection this weekend, May 9-10, for the Parish Building Fund.

Special Collection

Next weekend, May 16-17, a Second Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works will take place. The funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response to countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. By contributing to this cause, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.

Life-Giving Wounds

Life-Giving Wounds: A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorced or Separated Parents, is a Catholic ministry being offered from 6 pm on Friday, **May 15** to 3:30 pm on Sunday, **May 17** at St. Augustine's Seminary (2661 Kingston Rd, Scarborough). This is for any adult (18 or over) whose parents are divorced or separated, no matter when it happened or what the circumstances are. The retreat includes many moments of prayer, informative witness talks, and time for fellowship. Cost is \$325, or \$225 for students, and includes

meals, lodging and retreat material. Space is limited. Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/2yq9l7zb>.

A Day with Mary

You are invited to "A Day With Mary" taking place on Saturday, **May 30**, 2026, at Villanova College in King City. This family-friendly day will consist of Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, a keynote address for adults, and children's catechesis for the little ones. There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this event is open to all. More information can be found at <https://archtoronto.org/Mary>. Registration is open: <https://bit.ly/DWMRegistration>.

Martyrs' Shrine Centennial Gala

This Gala celebrates the Shrine's centennial year on Wednesday, **June 3rd**, from 5:30pm to 10:00pm at the Bellvue Manor (8083 Jane St., Vaughan). The special guest of honour, representing His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, is the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, His Excellency Archbishop Ivan Jurkovic. Exhibitions of several of the annual ethnic pilgrimages to the Shrine will be featured, together with food samplers, and a sumptuous dinner. For information, registration and tickets: www.martyrs-shrine.com/centennial-celebration or 705-526-3788.

Eucharistic Procession

The Latin Church has formally celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (formerly *Corpus Christi*) since the year 1264. Join the faithful of Toronto for the 2026 *Corpus Christi* Mass and Procession at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, **June 7**, 2026. The Eucharistic procession will take place at the end of the Noon Mass, continue in the immediate vicinity, and return to the cathedral for Solemn Benediction.





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