

# St. Pius X Parish

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## Pastoral Staff

Fr. Massillamani Zacharias

(Fr. Mani), **Pastor**

Michelle Somers, **Parish Secretary**

Anselm Kerkos-De Souza, **Sacramental Preparation Coordinator**

## 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](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/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](http://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, June 13

5 pm + Maria Pham

### Sunday, June 14

9 am Parishioners

11 am + Albie Lukesch

### Tuesday, June 16

8:30 am Joachim Tingle – Birthday Blessings

### Wednesday, June 17

8:30 am Parishioners

### Thursday, June 18

8:30 am Parishioners

### Friday, June 19

8:30 am + Fernando Trillo  
+ Maria Kunkevich  
+ Gervacio Estorba  
+ Gervacio Garrido  
Lee Gibbons



### Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus 19.1-6a

Psalm: Ps 100.1-2, 3, 4, 5

Second Reading: Romans 5.6-11

Gospel: Matthew 9.36 - 10.8



#### 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 June for the intentions of:** Anna Wong

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

**“...go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”**

For the people of Israel, relations with neighbouring tribes always offered tempting religious alternatives. The Exodus story in the First Reading was a constant reminder of their covenant with God, in which the whole nation was called to be made holy. In the Church, we have been gathered as the new “Israel of God”. He has made us His own people, the flock He tends, as we sing in today’s Psalm. Moses was Israel’s first shepherd. With the Promised Land in view, he prayed that God would raise up a successor so that God’s people would not be left as sheep without a shepherd. These same words are used in today’s Gospel to describe Jesus’ pity for the crowds, who are “troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.”

Jesus is the new Moses and new David promised by the prophets, a divine shepherd-king sent to restore God’s priestly kingdom. As Moses commissioned Joshua as his successor, so we see Jesus today giving the Twelve His powers and authority. As Jesus went “to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness”, He was moved with deep compassion for the crowds. The Greek verb *splagchnizomai* is often translated as “moved with pity” or “moved with compassion.” It appears twelve times in the Gospels—eight times describing Jesus’ own compassion and four times illustrating divine mercy in parables or related contexts (the Good Samaritan, the Prodigal Son, the Unforgiving Servant, and the plea of a father for his demon-possessed son). This verb conveys not just an emotional response but a profound stirring of His entire being, compelling Him to act with divine mercy—engaging His mind, will, body, and emotions. Understanding this verb is essential because it unveils the very heart of Christ’s mission, where His divine mercy is fully manifest in His humanity.

Jesus’ all-consuming compassion should profoundly console us. God does not love us out of mere divine obligation; His love is deeply personal, intimate, and relentless. That same profound mercy continues to flow from the Sacred Heart today. In Heaven, Christ’s human heart remains inseparably united to His divinity, pouring forth the love of the Father and the Holy Spirit upon the world. His compassion is made present to us through His Church, especially in the Sacraments and in the lives of saintly men and women. (Excerpts from: *St. Bueno’s Outreach*; *My Catholic Life*; *Scott Hahn Reflections*.)

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **Weekly Prayer**

On the second weekend of the month, we celebrate the wedding anniversaries of those who married in the month of June. 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.*

### **Thank you to CWL**

The Catholic Women's League has once again donated generously from the proceeds of their Spring Bake Sale. We very much appreciate their support of our Parish!

### **Volunteer Appreciation Day**

Fr. Mani is holding a celebratory event for all volunteers on Saturday, July 4, after the 5 pm Mass in the church hall. He looks forward to welcoming all those who are planning to attend.

### **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parish Portrait Studio**

To commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish, Fr. Mani is planning a professional photo session for all parishioners and their families. These portraits will be taken in the church hall during the month of June on the dates you sign up for. The portraits are free, but you may view and purchase them immediately after your session if you wish. You do not need to purchase your photo to be included in the free, hard copy Anniversary Parish Photo Directory. The Directory will be distributed at the Anniversary Closing Mass on October 4th. Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer after all weekend Masses until June 14 for you to schedule your photo session.

### **Second Collection**

This weekend, June 13-14, there will be a second collection for the Marygrove Girls Camp run by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Each year, over 1,000 young girls with financial or domestic hardship enjoy

a subsidized joyful camping experience. Please give generously.

### **Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Each year, the Church dedicates the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo reminds us that in June, we also celebrate liturgically the annual World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests, for whom we lift up our prayers of intercession. You may read Cardinal Leo's message at: <https://tinyurl.com/2dqoz7ah>.

### **47<sup>th</sup> Annual Cardinal's Dinner**

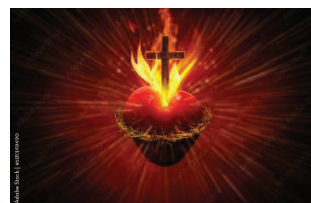
This annual event raises funds for the charities chosen by our Archbishop, Frank Cardinal Leo. This year, it takes place on November 17 at the Pearson Convention Centre in Brampton. Tickets are \$225 per person, or \$2,250 for a table of ten. Last year, some parishioners generously donated a number of tickets so that Fr. Mani and a few parishioners could attend. He would be grateful for your support again this year. Your donation would go directly to the Cardinal's charities. Please speak to Fr. Mani after any Mass.

### **Summer Camp Opportunities**

Summer camps are being offered for children and youth at 59 parishes inside the Archdiocese of Toronto this summer, with over 86 weeks of dates and locations to choose from. Parents who may be interested in having their kids attend a parish day camp can access the complete list of parishes, locations and dates here: <https://ocytoronto.org/parish-camps>, and are encouraged to contact the parish of interest directly to register or get more information.

### **Vocations**

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca).





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