



SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH ~ TORONTO

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Office Hours:

Monday – Friday/lunedì – venerdì 9:30 am – 12:00 pm
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Sunday Mass/Messe Domenicali:

Saturday/sabato 5:00 pm – English
Sunday/domenica 9:00 am – Italiano
11:30 am – English

Weekday Mass/Messe Feriali:

Monday – Tuesday/lunedì – martedì 8:00 am – Italiano
Wednesday/mercoledì 8:00 am – English
Thursday – Friday/giovedì – venerdì 8:00 am – Italiano

Memorial Mass/Messe Commemorative:

Are scheduled on a Wednesday at 7:00 pm about a month after funerals that have been celebrated at our parish.

Va celebrare il mercoledì alle 7:00 pm un mese dopo un funerale celebrato nella nostra parrocchia.

Confessions/Confessioni:

Friday/venerdì 8:30 am – 9:00 am
Saturday/sabato 4:30 pm – 4:55 pm
or by appointment/o per appuntamento

Adoration/Adorazione Eucaristica:

First Friday/Primo venerdì 8:30 am – 9:15 am

Baptisms, Weddings, & Funerals:

Please see the parish website or call the main office for details. Weddings must be booked a minimum of one year in advance.



St. Vincent de Paul: 416-536-8195 ext. 6

Parish Schools:

St. Francis of Assisi Elementary
80 Clinton Street, Toronto, ON
416-393-5206

Pope Francis Elementary
319 Ossington Avenue, Toronto, ON
416-393-5347

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24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Jesus teaches that we must always forgive because we have been greatly forgiven. No matter how big the hurt we must forgive. That is what we say each time we pray the Our Father: “Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.”

How difficult this forgiveness is for us human beings! Many people hold grudges and refuse to let go. Unwillingness to forgive fuels the fires of resentment and bitterness, doing harm to both the person incapable of forgiving and the one needing forgiveness. Such people will never find real peace in their lives as long as they are incapable of forgiving. As George Herbert said, “He who cannot forgive others breaks the bridge over which he must pass himself.”

Jesus’ parable also reinforces a theme that runs throughout all the New Testament: we must forgive in order to be forgiven. If we do not forgive others, then we cannot hope for God’s forgiveness. This again challenges us to look at our expectations. How often do we expect others not to take our mistakes or shortcomings seriously! How easily we hope that others will forgive us our follies! Yet are we able to offer others the same understanding and forgiveness? Or do we refuse to offer the same forgiveness that we often take for granted from others? What does the concept of God’s forgiveness mean to me? Do I believe in such forgiveness and if so, how does it change the way I live?

R.C.I.A.

The Joy of being called to Faith



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A) is the way adults come to learn about and experience the Christian Life, specifically our Roman Catholic tradition, and become initiated into the life of our Church through the celebration of the Sacraments of

Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church or wish to complete the Sacraments of Initiation, you can register on our website: www.stfrancis.ca or by scanning the QR code.

Our Classes will begin in the Fall.



2024 SACRAMENTS REGISTRATION

The registrations for the Sacraments of the First Holy Communion and Confirmation are now open. One can register online either by entering on our website: www.stfrancis.ca or by scanning the QR codes below.

First Confession and First Communion children should be in Grade 2 or higher.

Confirmation Candidates should be in Grade 7 or higher.

To complete the registration process, please note that all parents also must attend a **mandatory information meeting**.

First Holy Communion Information Meeting:

Thursday October 12 at 6:00 pm (in the church), **OR**
Saturday October 14 at 10:00 am (in the church)

Confirmation Information Meeting

Thursday October 19 at 6:00 pm (in the church), **OR**
Saturday October 21 at 10:00 am (in the church)

Please ensure you have completed the online registration form before attending the in-person information meeting.

Requirements for the Information Meeting:

Bring a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate, along with a \$60.00 registration fee (cash or cheque payable to St. Francis of Assisi Church).

Important: We will communicate with you via the email address you provide when filling out the registration.

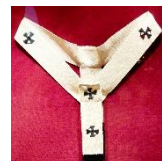
First Holy Communion Link



Confirmation Link



CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM



On Friday, September 29th, the feast day of our Archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, all are welcome to join in a special celebration at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica in which the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurković will confer the pallium on our Archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

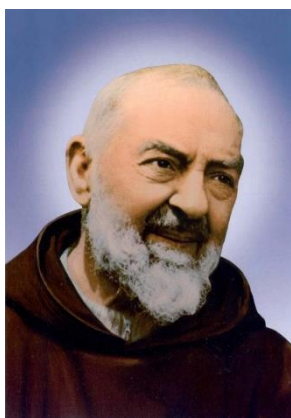
Offertory (September 2/3) \$ 2230.05

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Devotional Offering – TODAY
Needs of the Canadian Church - September 24, 2023

Thank you for your generosity!

FEAST OF THE HOLY PROTECTORS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023



**Celebrating
St. Michael the Archangel, Sts. Cosmas and Damian,
and St. Pio of Pietrelcina**

Solemn Bilingual Mass at 2:30pm
Procession at 3:30pm
Beginning at the corner of Grace and Mansfield
72 Mansfield Avenue, Toronto, ON, M6J 2B2

FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Every year on October 4, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron of our Parish.

On **Saturday September 30 at 3:00 pm** there will be the **blessing of animals** on the lawn next to the Church.

All masses on the weekend of September 30/October 1 will be in honour of St. Francis. There will also be the veneration of the Relic of the Saint.

Il 4 ottobre la Chiesa celebra la festa di San Francesco d'Assisi, Patrono della nostra Parrocchia.

Sabato 30 settembre alle ore 15:00 ci sarà la **benedizione degli animali** sul prato accanto alla Chiesa.

Tutte le messe del fine settimana del 30 settembre/1 ottobre saranno in onore di San Francesco. Ci sarà anche la venerazione della Reliquia del Santo.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 – STS. CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN

5:00 pm Maria e Giovanni Bertucci

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:00 am Fam. Carnovale e Simonetta
Josè Luìs Almendra

11:30 am For the People of Our Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:00 am Francesco e Nunziata Farella

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00 am Salvatore Simonetta

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 – STS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GŎN, PAUL CHŎNG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS

8:00 am Domenic Rutigliano

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 – ST. MATTHEW

8:00 am Mario e Francesco Venezia

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00 am Josè Luìs Almendra

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember to pray for the sick, especially:

Vincenzo Anania	Theresa Bertagnolli
Beverly Del Grande	Mike Fazzari
Mario Forgione	Jimmy Grass
Anna Lo Faso	Sanjay Malhotra
Diana Matteis	Dimas Medeiro
Paulina L.	Rita Pizzimenti
Paulo Vieira	

If you would like to add someone's name to the Prayers for the Sick List, please contact the Parish office.

PRAYERS FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Please remember in your prayers

Paul Mastrangelo