



St. Joan of Arc Parish

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St. Joan of Arc Parish, we proclaim and live the Gospel through stewardship, growing together as a welcoming community where all belong.

PARISH STAFF

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday : 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Closed from 12:30 – 1:30 for lunch

Saturday & Sunday: Office is closed

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any Sacraments. Registration forms are available in the church main entrance, parish office and in the parish website.

MASS TIMINGS

Tuesday - Saturday : 5:30 pm

Sunday - 10:00 am and 12:00pm

ORGANISATIONS & ACTIVITY

Catholic Women's League :

4th Monday of the month

Children Liturgy :

10:00 am Mass (Sunday)

Creation Care Ministry

2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace

www.dev.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers

3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus

1st Thursday of the Month

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM

COORDINATORS

Sacramental Coordinator:

Joelle Lauriol

Altar server coordinator:

Tommy Pham

Liturgical Ministries :

Lectors: Luz Sucilan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Caterina Bova

10:00 am Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 pm

12:00 Noon Choir

Dorothy Pellerin

Rehearsal: Sunday 10:45 am

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Parents wishing to have a child baptized must contact the parish office to register. Information and registration form is available on our website.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):

Saturday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm,

First Friday 6:00 pm– 7:00pm or by appointment.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office for an interview with the Priest one year before planning your wedding date.

R.C.I.A : Adults wishing to be baptized or received into the Catholic Church must contact the parish office. Sessions begin in the fall.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral References - You must be registered for at least 6 months. Please check our website under Parish Life for more information.

SCHOOLS

St. Luigi Catholic School

2 Ruskin Ave, Toronto, ON

M6P 3P8

Bishop Marrocco/ Thomas Merton

Catholic Secondary School

1515 Bloor St w, Toronto, ON

M6P 1A3

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration:- First Friday of the month 6 pm-7 pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual

Help :- Every Wednesday after 5:30 pm Holy Mass.

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral

Services: Archdiocese of Toronto

416-733-8544

Parish Website



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Our Catholic faith has been passed down from generation to generation. Please ensure our faith lives on for generations to come by remembering "St. Joan of Arc Parish" in your Will.

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>	
<u>Tuesday, September 29th</u> 5:30 pm – For the Grace of Children	Past the Equinox! Well, we have entered into the Fall. I've been here just about 3 months now, from the solstice to the equinox. As I announced last weekend, Bishop Kasun will be coming for my official installation as pastor on Sunday, December 6th at the 10am Mass. It might mean getting up a little earlier for some, but it is the Mass with our largest congregation, and I would like the Bishop to meet as many of you as he can.
<u>Wednesday, September 30th</u> 5:30 pm – Dorota Oblak - Souls in Purgatory	The office of pastor or parish priest is an ecclesiastical office. The Church's law describes it this way:
<u>Thursday, October 1st</u> 5:30 pm – Jessie Galea +	The pastor is the proper pastor of the parish entrusted to him, exercising the pastoral care of the community committed to him under the authority of the diocesan bishop in whose ministry of Christ he has been called to share, so that for that same community he carries out the functions of teaching, sanctifying, and governing, also with the cooperation of other presbyters or deacons and with the assistance of lay members of the Christian faithful, according to the norm of law. [Can. 519]
<u>Friday, October 2nd</u> 5:30 pm – Special Intentions of Zenobia	Excuse the fancy language. There are few simple points. The pastor is not only appointed by the bishop (in Toronto, Cardinal Leo), but called to share in the bishop's ministry. In other words, I am being called to shepherd the parish in the name of and in co-operation with the bishop. It is an important way that we all stay actively in communion.
<u>Saturday, October 3rd</u> 5:30 pm – Thanksgiving Mass recovery from Surgery	It also includes active cooperation with other priests, with deacons and with members of "the Christian faithful", the Church. These are not idle words. They suggest a rich, diverse and organic life fostered in the parish community. A little later the Code of Canon law says the pastor is to ensure:
<u>Sunday, October 4th</u> 10:00 am – Parish Community 12:00 pm – Jean & Victor Starkus +	“ . . . that the word of God is proclaimed in its entirety to those living in the parish. . . . He is to foster works through which the spirit of the gospel is promoted, . . . in what pertains to social justice. He is to have particular care for the Catholic education of children and youth. He is to make every effort, . . . with the collaboration of the Christian faithful, so that the message of the gospel comes also to those who have ceased the practice of their religion or do not profess”, Catholic faith.
<u>Please Pray for the Sick</u> Maryann Chard, Anne Szuba, Ted Daniel, Cecilia Salazar, Tania Florian, Nestor Belisario Munoz, Adelina Banez, Maria Rochelle Dacanay and Vladimir Klimenko.	The Code goes on to describe a whole variety of pastoral activities while underlining the centrality of the Eucharist. The upshot is that the pastor is named as having these responsibilities with the knowledge that the essence of it is a thriving of the life of the Gospel among all the people of the parish. That makes the project a mutual venture that engages everyone.
<u>Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul</u>	I hope that this journey of ours together will indeed be deep, rich and fruitful. Of course, that means we will also be rolling up our sleeves. I will write soon about the next steps toward strengthening our core parish committees. In turn, these will help to provide the structures we need to address our spiritual development and the practical issues like the roof and the house that lay ahead.
<u>Raymond Hosick, Carl Hetu, Anna Maria Silva and Margaret Galaski.</u>	In Christ,
<u>Liturgical Feasts of the Week</u>	Fr. Bob O'Brien
<u>Saturday, September 26th</u> – St. Jean De Brebuef and St. Issac Jogues, priests and companions, martyrs Secondary Patrons of Canada.	
<u>Tuesday, September 29th</u> – St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, Archangels.	
<u>Wednesday, September 30th</u> – St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor	
<u>Thursday, October 1st</u> – St. Therese of the child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor	
<u>Friday, October 2nd</u> – The Holy Guardian Angels	

September 26-27: Invitation to Action this Season of Creation

Visit Creation Care Ministry's table in the hall after all masses this weekend to learn more and take action on clean drinking water in First Nations communities. Some have struggled for a decade or longer with unsafe drinking water. Visit our website at www.bit.ly/sjaccm for more Season of Creation reflection and action resources.

Throughout the Season of Creation until October 4th, parishioners and visitors are invited to write their prayer or action to care for people, water, or creation on blue paper and add it to the growing river of living water on the altar—paper and pen are by the baptismal font. Prayers and acts of hope and love join with others to become part of God's river of life. The river will stay on the altar for prayer and reflection until Sunday October 4th, when we will celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Fr. Bob will bless the animals that afternoon from 1:15 to 2:00 pm.

First Communion preparation classes

We are now accepting registrations for the First Communion preparation classes which will begin October 25th. The registration is simple and only requires the completion of a few forms, the payment of the appropriate fee and the photocopy of the Baptismal Certificate. Please contact the parish office or the sacramental coordinator at sja.sacraments@gmail.com for more information.

STEWARDSHIP – SHARING OUR GOD-GIVEN GIFTS

Next weekend, there will be a Stewardship Brochure in the bulletin describing the 34 Ministries at St. Joan of Arc. We invite you to read about each ministry and see if there is one or more that call out to you (that you are 'called to'). There are such a range of ministries under the wonderful categories of: Liturgical Ministries, Faith Formation, Outreach and Social Justice, Hospitality and Parish Service Groups. Something for everyone, and for all ages. 'Consider sharing your God-given gifts with your parish community by joining a parish ministry that speaks to your heart'. (Archdiocese of Toronto). More info will follow on how to become involved.

Day of Reflection and Prayer for the Bereaved

"Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?" Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith. At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey.

Facilitated by: Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland

Suggested Offering: \$75 per person (includes lunch)

Please contact: Mary Hyland - 905-441-0957

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, ON L1X 1V4

Saturday, October 31, 2026, 9:15am - 5:00pm

Fair Trade and Parish Ministry tables

This weekend, September 26–27, visit the Fair Trade and ministry tables! CWL and Creation Care will be represented at the 5:30 p.m., 10 a.m., and 12 noon Masses, with ushers, greeters, lectors, and ministers of Communion at the noon Mass. Stop by to learn more and get involved!

Merrymakers October Luncheon

Come Celebrate the Beginning of Fall with Us

The Merrymakers invite everyone to join us as we celebrate the beautiful arrival of the fall season. Mark your calendars for **Thursday, October 15th**, for our October Fall Luncheon. **Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 p.m.**, followed by lunch at **12:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 per person (cash only)** and will be available for purchase after all Masses on the weekends of **October 3rd & 4th** and **October 10th & 11th** in the church hall. **This Month's Menu - Beef Stew • Dinner Rolls • Dessert** We look forward to sharing a lovely afternoon of good food, friendly conversation, and two games of Bingo. Bring a friend and enjoy this special time together.

We look forward to seeing you!

Your Gift to God

Weekend of Sept 19th & 20th, 2026

Envelopes	\$ 872
Loose	\$ 633
PAG	<u>\$1227.22</u>
	<u>\$2732.22</u>
Tip Tap & online donations	<u>\$155</u>
Total	<u>\$2887.22</u>

Suggested Parish Goal \$47500

ShareLife - Parish	\$ 12,066.15
ShareLife - through Diocese	15,700.00
Total collection - Jan to Sept, 26	<u>\$ 27,766.15</u>

Percentage achieved 58%

Looking Ahead

Blessing of Animals: October 4, 2026

Merrymakers October Lunch:

October 15, 2026

Stewardship Weekend: October 17–18, 2026

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion: First Class –

October 25, 2026

(Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Confirmation: First Class – January 5, 2027

RCIA: First Class – September 15, 2026

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Weekday Parking Notice

If you are visiting the church on a weekday for any church-related matter, please provide your vehicle and parking information to the parish office **in advance** to avoid receiving a parking ticket.

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