

# St Francis Xavier Parish

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Pastor: Fr. James Cherickal ♦ Associate: Fr. Eduardo Lopez ♦ Deacons: Mr. Anthony Wong, Mr. Ryan Fernandes  
Parish Secretary: Joanita Miranda ♦ Office Assistant: Katherine Gomez

**Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm ♦ closed 1pm to 2pm ♦ closed during all Masses**

## Daily Masses

Monday to Friday 8:00am and 7:00pm  
Saturday 7:30am

## Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm  
Sunday 7:30am ♦ 9am ♦ 10:30am ♦ 12pm ♦ 1:30pm

## Sacrament of Confession

Morning: Monday to Saturday 30 min before Mass  
Evening: Monday to Thursday 6:30pm - 6:50pm  
Evening: Friday 6:15pm - 6:45pm  
Evening: Saturday 4:00pm - 4:50pm

## Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Fridays 6:00pm-7:00pm

## Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Wednesdays after Masses  
Our Lady of Velankanni Saturdays after 7:30am Mass  
Precious Blood Thursdays at 9:00pm  
St. Anthony of Padua Tuesdays after 7:00pm Mass

## Baptism

- ❖ Celebrated on the first and last Saturday of the month
- ❖ Information in the parish office or on website

## Marriage

- ❖ Contact Parish Office at least one year in advance
- ❖ Information in Parish office or on website

## Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound

- ❖ For Sacrament of the sick contact Parish Office
- ❖ For Holy communion contact: [sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com](mailto:sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com)

## Rite of Initiation of Adults into the Catholic Faith

Interested in becoming Catholic?

Please contact: [rciaministrysfx@gmail.com](mailto:rciaministrysfx@gmail.com)

## Funerals

Death of a family member can be a very traumatic experience; pre-planning can ease the burden on the family. When death happens, please contact the parish and the funeral home.

**The SFX Bereavement Team will walk with you as you grieve**

## Liturgical Ministries

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## Advisory Committees

Building Committee  
Finance Council  
Parish Council  
Stewardship Committee

## Organizations

BLD  
Catholic Women's League  
Knights of Columbus  
Rosary Apostolate  
St. Vincent de Paul  
Legion of Mary

## Parish Schools

San Lorenzo Ruiz 905-501-0400  
St. Hilary 905-568-0056  
St. Jude 905-568-3720  
St. Valentine 905-890-0909  
St. Veronica 905-696-6980  
St. Francis Xavier S.S. 905-507-6666  
St. Marcellinus S.S. 905-564-6614

*Welcome New Parishioners*

To register please contact the Parish Office

**Gratitude for God's Gifts:  
The Parable of the Talents**

St. Gregory explained that the servant with five talents symbolizes those who do not understand deep, mystical truths, but who nonetheless share what theological knowledge they do possess, leading many souls to God through their instruction and example. These souls, St. Gregory wrote, live their lives for God, striving to resist temptation and avoiding attachment to earthly things. St. Gregory explained that the servant with two talents symbolizes those who gain souls for Christ by preaching through their words and actions.

The servant who buried his one talent, according to St. Gregory, symbolizes those who “devote the ability [they] have received to worldly business.” As St. Gregory further explained, this servant also symbolizes Christians “who set out on the path of a better life, and yet are not afraid to continue in carnal indolence.” These Christians recognize their own sinfulness and therefore fear God’s justice, yet nonetheless “fearlessly remain in their own iniquities.” Their hearts are too firmly fixed upon earthly things to truly belong to God.

This perspective on the parable allows us to reflect on which of the three servants we are most like. An honest examination of ourselves will likely discover that we share aspects of all three servants. Many of us—myself included—struggle to understand deep theological truths, like the first servant. We hopefully try to spread the Gospel through our words and/or actions, perhaps answering questions people ask us about God or Catholicism and practicing works of charity, similarities that both the first and second servants shared. However, if we are honest with ourselves, we will recognize the ways in which we also imitate the third servant. We are all attached to earthly things in various ways; we (hopefully) recognize our sinfulness, and yet so often we persist in our ways instead of actively working to replace our sins with virtue.

In summarizing today’s parable, St. Gregory wrote, “[T]he greater the gifts, the greater the reckoning for them.” In other words, the more gifts that God has given to us, the more

responsibility we have to use those gifts for His glory and not waste them on earthly things. Everything that we possess—our lives, our faith, our understanding and reason, our families, our homes, etc.—is a gift from God. May the parable in today’s Gospel fill us with profound gratitude for the many gifts God has given us and inspire us to use our talents for the glory of God, that we may merit eternal life.

Source: [www.missioideicatholic.org](http://www.missioideicatholic.org)



**Youth Group**

**Edge Youth Program**

Starts: November 24 ★ 6:30pm to 9:15pm  
Grades: 5-8 ★ \$50.00 (registration fee)



The  
**Source**  
& Summit

**Register At:**  
sfxyouth1@gmail.com or  
[www.stfrancixaviermi.org](http://www.stfrancixaviermi.org)

**Archdiocese of Toronto**

**Archdiocesan Consultation Underway –**

Share your ideas to assist with future planning!

**Archbishop Francis Leo** is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts & ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese. Feedback will help inform a Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead.

**To learn more:**

- ◆ Read letter of invitation (from archbishop)
- ◆ Complete survey by December 15, 2023

[www.archtoronto.org/consultation](http://www.archtoronto.org/consultation)



**Thank you for your collaboration  
in this archdiocesan initiative!**

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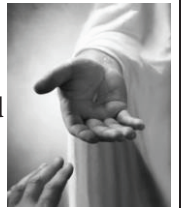
**Solo Persons Encounter Weekend**

December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> ★ 8am to 6pm  
St. Marcellinus S.S. ★ \$50 (meals & materials incl.)

**An Invitation To:**

- ◆ All mature single persons
- ◆ Single or parent, separated/divorced
- ◆ An encounter with our loving God

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**The Catechism Corner**



**Q: What was the fall of the angels?**

**A:** This expression indicates that Satan and the other demons, about which Sacred Scripture and the Tradition of the Church speak, were angels, created good by God. They were, however transformed into evil because with a free and irrevocable choice they rejected God and his Kingdom, thus giving rise to the existence of hell. They try to associate human beings with their revolt against God. However, God has wrought in Christ a sure victory over the Evil One.



**Knights of Columbus Christmas Contests**

**Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest**

(500 to 750 words)

**Topic:** How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?

- ★ All Catholic Students
- ★ Grade 8 to 12

**Submission Deadline:**  
December 10, 2023 at 230pm



**Keep Christ in Christmas**

Poster Contest (visual image)

**Poster Theme:**  
Keep Christ in Christmas

- ★ All youth ages 5 to 14
- ★ Prizes for different age groups

**Submission Deadline:**  
December 10, 2023 at 230pm

For more information on rules, prizes & other details  
Visit: [stfrancisxaviermi.archtoronto.org](http://stfrancisxaviermi.archtoronto.org)

**The Catholic Den**

**Christmas Raffle**

**1 ticket for \$5.00 ★ 3 tickets for \$10.00**



**1<sup>st</sup> Prize:**  
A Nativity Set

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:**  
A Statue of St. Michael the Archangel

**Winner Announced:**  
December 3, 2023



**The Feast of St. Francis Xavier**

Inviting All Parishioners to Celebrate  
**The Feast of St. Francis Xavier**

December 2, 2023 ♦ 5pm Mass  
Light refreshments following Mass

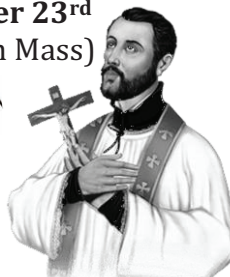


**CARDINAL Thomas Collins**  
Celebrant & Homilist

**Novena starts November 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
(will be prayed after each Mass)



St. Francis Xavier  
Pray For US!



He will either shield you from suffering or will give you unfailing strength to bear it.



**Be at peace**  
and put aside all anxious thoughts & imaginations  
-St. Francis de Sales

**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday November 20, 2023**

- 8am †Zonia David
- 7pm Thanksgiving Sharon and Ramon Oliveros

**Tuesday November 21, 2023**

- 8am †Paulo Medeiros
- 7pm †Eva Rodrigues

**Wednesday November 22, 2023**

- 8am Thanksgiving Dwayne Fernandes
- 7pm Thanksgiving Camila Estrada
- Thanksgiving Magdalina Jayakody
- Thanksgiving Clement Peng
- Thanksgiving Greenway Retirement Home
- Thanksgiving Marion Family
- Thanksgiving Kainaz
- Special intention Darren Bustamante
- Special intention Magdalina Cecilia Jayakody
- †Elinor Allison
- †Luz Capistrano
- †Joseph Vy Duc Nguyen
- †Rose and Peter Tipold
- †Juana Castillo
- †Philip Fernandes, Leo & Esmie Canute
- †Thomas M.P
- †Sebastianpillai & Sauari M. Sandiapillai
- †Cyprian Aranha
- †Francis Nazareth

**Thursday November 23, 2023**

- 8am Thanksgiving D'Souza family
- 7pm †Luisa Carvalho

**Friday November 24, 2023**

- 8am †Robert Bajcar
- 7pm Thanksgiving Ashley Estwick
- Thanksgiving Greenway Retirement Home
- Thanksgiving Cabayan Family
- Special intention Alex & Precy Chung
- Special int. Carmine, Maurice & Fedrick Mathias
- Special intention Paz Osma
- †Almario Galvez
- †Cuthberth Serpes
- †Richard Stenz
- †Lina Micallef
- †Bibiana Martins
- †Elinor Allison
- †Monteiro & Parado families
- †Giuseppe Pellezzari
- †Nedelina Langoyan
- †All souls in purgatory

**Saturday November 25, 2023**

- 730am †Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
- 5pm †Gregory Mathias

**Sunday November 26, 2023**

- 730am Pro Populo
- 9am †Margery Lizotte
- 1030am †Serafino & Marzionilla Gentili Dou Ivo
- 12pm †Aida Sansait
- 130pm †Aida Sansait

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