

# St Francis Xavier Parish

5650 Mavis Road Mississauga ON L5V 2N6 ♦ 905-890 5290

website: <https://stfrancisxaviermi.archtoronto.org> ♦ email: [stfrancisxaviermi@archtoronto.org](mailto:stfrancisxaviermi@archtoronto.org)

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

Altar Servers [sfxaltarservers1@gmail.com](mailto:sfxaltarservers1@gmail.com)  
Extra. Min. H. Com [emocsfx@bell.net](mailto:emocsfx@bell.net)  
Lectors [lectorsfx@gmail.com](mailto:lectorsfx@gmail.com)  
Music Ministry [sfxchoirs@gmail.com](mailto:sfxchoirs@gmail.com)  
Sacristans [sfxsacristans@gmail.com](mailto:sfxsacristans@gmail.com)  
Ushers & Greeters [SFXushering@gmail.com](mailto:SFXushering@gmail.com)

## Parish Ministries

Bereavement [sfxbereave@gmail.com](mailto:sfxbereave@gmail.com)  
Catech. Good Shepherd [sfxcatechesis@gmail.com](mailto:sfxcatechesis@gmail.com)  
Children's Liturgy [sfxchildrenlit@gmail.com](mailto:sfxchildrenlit@gmail.com)  
Lay Pastoral Ministry [sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com](mailto:sfxlaypastoral@gmail.com)  
M.S.M. Bible Study [sfx.bibleformation@gmail.com](mailto:sfx.bibleformation@gmail.com)  
RCIA [rciaministrysfx@gmail.com](mailto:rciaministrysfx@gmail.com)  
Sacramental Prep [sfxsacramentalprep@gmail.com](mailto:sfxsacramentalprep@gmail.com)  
SFX Catholic Den [sfxden1@gmail.com](mailto:sfxden1@gmail.com)  
SFX Catholic Guild [sfxguild1@gmail.com](mailto:sfxguild1@gmail.com)  
SFX Emeralds [sfxemeralds@gmail.com](mailto:sfxemeralds@gmail.com)  
SFX Library [sfx.churchlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:sfx.churchlibrary@gmail.com)  
SFX Youth Group [sfxyouth1@gmail.com](mailto:sfxyouth1@gmail.com)

## 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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*My dear brothers and sisters,*

As we gather in joy and gratitude on the Feast of our beloved patron saint, St. Francis Xavier, I am filled with a sense of awe and inspiration by the missionary zeal and heroic work that marked his life. St. Francis Xavier, often hailed as the "Apostle of the East," left an indelible mark on the Church through his unwavering commitment to spreading the Gospel, particularly in Goa and Japan.

In Goa, and Japan, St. Francis Xavier encountered a rich tapestry of cultures and traditions. Yet, it was his burning zeal for sharing the love of Christ that fueled his missionary endeavors. St. Francis Xavier's missionary work in Goa and Japan are the testament to the transformative power of faith and the boundless possibilities that arise when we allow ourselves to be vessels of God's love.

As we reflect on the life of St. Francis Xavier, let us draw inspiration from his passion for evangelization. In our own parish community, we are called to be missionaries in our daily lives, reaching out to those around us with love, kindness, and the message of hope found in Christ. As an immigrant and evolving community, let us embrace the diversity within our community, recognizing it as an opportunity to grow together in faith and understanding.

As we honor St. Francis Xavier's legacy, we also find ourselves on the brink of two significant events that shape the life of our parish: The ongoing renovation of our sanctuary and the upcoming Jubilee Year. A special note of thanks to our voluntary carpentry team starting with Marco Escobar, Derek Vegas, Joseph Bonnici, Rene Noriel, Andy Siccion, Tien Nguyen, Rady Ocsan, Philip Howland, Ranzil Sequeira, Lloyd Gomes and Deacon Anthony Wong.

A special note of thanks to His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins who approved this sanctuary renovation at the recommendation of our regional bishop Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri.

### Looking Ahead to the Jubilee Year: A Time of Grace & Renewal

Though our parish was established on Friday December 19, 1986, this parish church was built and consecrated on December 4, 1999. Therefore, this coming year 2024 will be the silver Jubilee year of our parish church. This special time calls us to reflect on the past, embrace the present, and envision the future of our faith community. It is a season of grace and renewal, a time to deepen our relationship with God and with one another.

In preparation for the Jubilee Year, I invite each of you to consider how you can actively participate in the various events and activities that will be planned. Let us use this time to recommit ourselves to the mission of Christ in our parish and to foster a sense of belonging and support for every member of our community.

May this special season be a time of joy, reflection, and anticipation for the great things the Lord has in store for our parish community.

In Christ,

*Fr. James Cherickal*

Pastor

### Christmas Mass Schedule



**December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Sunday Masses)**

6am ♦ 9am ♦ 1030am  
12pm

### **Christmas Eve Masses: December 24<sup>th</sup>**

4pm ♦ 6pm ♦ 8pm ♦ 10pm ♦ 12am

Note: Christmas Pageant will take place during 6pm Mass

### **Christmas Day Masses: December 25<sup>th</sup>**

9am ♦ 1030am ♦ 12pm ♦ 130pm

### An Invitation from the SFX Choirs

## SFX Christmas Concert



December 16<sup>th</sup>  
after 5pm Mass



**ALL ARE INVITED!**

### For Your Convenience

**FOR EASIER AND FASTER**  
transactions

The Parish Office now has  
tap machines for  
debit or credit  
payments/donations



### The Catechism Corner



**Q: What is original sin?**

**A:** Original sin, in which all human beings are born, is the state of deprivation of original holiness and justice. It is a sin "contracted" by us not "committed;" it is a state of birth and not a personal act. Because of the original unity of all human beings, it is transmitted to the descendants of Adam "not by imitation, but by propagation". This transmission remains a mystery which we cannot fully understand. CCCB 404, 419

**Celebrating Our Patron Saint: December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Wishing All a Happy Feast of  
**St. Francis Xavier**

"When trying to evangelize,  
no tool is more effective,  
than that of personal witness.

...People can argue  
with points of doctrine  
but no-one can argue,  
with a personal testimony!"

St. Francis Xavier (1506 -1552)



**December 8, 2023**



**Solemnity** of the  
*Immaculate Conception*  
of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**



**Advent: A Time of Preparation**

**Simbang Gabi**

Christmas Novena Masses



December 16<sup>th</sup> & onwards  
morning Mass at 6am

**Sponsors needed:**  
contact the parish office

**Advent Wreath**

Interested in lighting the  
**Christmas Wreath?**

Signup in the Sacristy



**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



**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<sup>th</sup> at 230pm**

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

**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday December 4, 2023**

- 8am †Msgr. Terence D'Souza
- 7pm Thanksgiving Baby Caleb

**Tuesday December 5, 2023**

- 8am Bruno Scrivo
- 7pm †Barbara & Denis Roaricks

**Wednesday December 6, 2023**

- 8am †Petronila Alinea
- 7pm Thanksgiving Wilfred & Geraldine Fernandes
- Special intention Nicola & Sean Pereira
- Special intention Nelson Chico
- †Ainsley Lobo
- †Percy Pereira
- †Tony Mendonca
- †Kevin D'Souza
- †Jackson Cheung
- †Gerry D'Souza
- †Bertha Fernandes
- †Magdalena Cabanting Galang
- †Faustino Olayvar
- †Robert Osoteo
- †Walter Francis Lobo
- †Daisy Pimentel
- †Philomena D'Cruz
- †Lawrence & Philomena Rodrigues
- †Amelia Rodrigues

**Thursday December 7, 2023**

- 8am †Margaret Egunjobi
- 7pm †Antonio & Alegre Coronel

**Friday December 8, 2023**

- 8am †Miguel & Concepcion Rolda
- 7pm In honour/thanksgiving Blessed Virgin Mary
- In honour/thanksgiving Padre Pio
- Thanksgiving CWL
- Special intention Gabriel Antoszczyszyn
- †Aida Sansait
- †Leema Nancy
- †Philomena Lobo
- †Daisy Pimentel
- †Necitas Gagatiga
- †Yolanda Delfino
- †Elisabeth Abraham
- †Rob Cannataro
- †Sylvester Wong
- †Anthony D'Silva
- †Patria Salvador
- †Miguel Alfajora
- †All Souls in purgatory

**Saturday December 9, 2023**

- 730am †John Soares
- 5pm †Deceased of the Coutinho family

**Sunday December 10, 2023**


- 730am Anthony & Artie Mendes
- 9am Pro Populo
- 1030am †Anthony Aquilina
- 12pm †Federico de Jesus
- 130pm †Herminia Palattao

**Ronald John Mathias, AMP, PFP**  
 Real Estate Broker & Mortgage Broker  
  
 Direct: 416-566-0776 Bus: 905-272-5000  
 ronaldmathias@gmail.com  
 Real Estate Centre Inc., Brokerage Real Estate, Mortgages, Income Tax E-Filing

**ZYLOR EDUCATION**  
**TUTORING**  
 MATH, BIO, CHEM, PHY & ENGLISH  
 GRADE 6 - GRADE 12  
 905-997-0997  
 www.zyloreducation.com  
 hello@zyloreducation.com

Proud supporter of St. Francis Xavier Parish   
**Nigel Soares\* MBA, STI, PFP\***  
 Financial Planner, Sun Life • 437-776-7737  
\*Mutual fund business is done with your advisor through Sun Life Financial Investment Services (Canada) Inc. Advisors and their corporations conduct insurance business through Sun Life Financial Distributors (Canada) Inc. Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada is the insurer and is a member of the Sun Life group of companies. © Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, 2023.


**ROYAL LEPAGE**  
 Signature Realty  
  
**Anton Xavier Sebastiampillai**  
 Real Estate Broker  
 Dir: 416-301-1183  
 XavierHomes.ca


  
**curezone**  
 PHYSIOTHERAPY  
 RELIEF. REVIVE. REGAIN  
 905-997-4333 curezonephysiotherapy.com

**Hala Abboud, D.D.S.**  
 Dental Surgeon  
 Dentistry in Streetsville  
 100 Queen St S, Suite 101 905-821-8221  
 www.DentistryInStreetsville.com

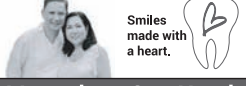
  
**DIAS RENOVATIONS INC.**  
 Building Your Vision  
 Kitchens • Bathrooms • Basements  
 Offices • Restaurants • Custom Homes  
**Brett Dias**  
 416-455-8726 www.diasrenos.com

  
**Ombre Window Fashion**  
 Zebra Blinds • Roller Shades • Drapery  
 sky light • Motorization  
**Deepak Nagpal** C 437 425 1924 O 905.850.944  
 www.ombrewindowfashion.ca • ombreblinds@gmail.com  
 1 Whitmore Rd, Unit 30 Woodbridge

*Helping you "Create your Home of love & dreams"*  
 With The Double Double Effect  
**Joaquim Austin Fernandes**  
 BROKER 647.523.4569  
**Audra Fernandes**  
 BROKER 416.302.1866  
 austinjf@aahomes4us.com  


  
**ESCAPE 2 OASIS**  
 Wellness Clinic  
 Physio • Chiro  
 Massage • Orthotics  
 MVA, WSIB  
 7070 McLaughlin Rd. 905-362-1983  
 6986 Financial Dr. 905-817-0100

  
**NO TIME is a GOOD TIME**  
 for plumbing problems.  
 At Mr. Rooter® Plumbing, we understand emergencies happen at inconvenient times.  
 That's why there's no additional charge for emergency plumbing services on Saturdays, Sundays, nights and holidays. Plus, we'll call ahead to let you know we are on the way. We're available on your schedule.  
 There's a reason they call us Mr.®  
 905-278-4200  
 MrRooter.ca/Mississauga  
 Locally owned and independently operated franchise.

**DRS. SOLON C. GUZMAN & JOSEPHINE ADORNA-GUZMAN & ASSOCIATES**  
  

Dundas	Square One	Milton	Heartland	4 Locations One Number
Dundas Tower Dental Centre & Laboratory 165 Dundas St. West, Suite 108 Mississauga, ON L5B 2N6	Absolute Towers Dental Centre 4033 Hurontario St. Unit 105 Mississauga, ON L4Z 0A8	Dentistry in Milton 497 Laurier Ave, Suite 5 Milton, ON L9T 3K8	Dentistry at Heartland 800 Boyer Blvd, Suite 4 Mississauga, ON L5V 2Y1	Call to book an appointment today! <b>1-844-4Guzman</b> 4 8 9 6 2 6


**Pankaj Monga, CFP, CLU, CHS Certified Financial Planner**  
 Financial & Estate planning, Investments, Life, Critical illness, Disability & Travel Insurance, RRSP, RESP & TFSA  
**416-907-4420** www.pmgifinancial.com  



**PRIMERICA** YOUR FUTURE BEGINS NOW!  
 Now How To Achieve Your Financial Dreams  
 And Insure Your Family's Future  
**Maritonne (Onette) Mendoza**  
 Regional Vice President  
 1116 Mid-Way Blvd, Mississauga ON L5T 2H2  
 647.937.7848

  
**THE LITIGATORS**  
 LITIGATION WILLS & ESTATE  
 FAMILY LAW REAL ESTATE  
 LANDLORD & TENANT  
**647-560-4209**  
 www.thelitigators.ca 2000 Argentinia Rd, Unit 320, Plaza 4, Mississauga  
**Micah. J. Remedios**  



  
**VANESSA PEREIRA**  
 Real Estate Broker  
 Direct: 416.902.2171  
 Search Realty Corp., Brokerage  
 50 Village Centre P1 #100 877.979.4979  
 www.VanessaPereira.ca  
 Vanessa@VanessaPereira.ca

Clean • Friendly • Professional  
**ALL MAKES & MODELS**  
 Ask for pick-up & delivery service  
 Repairs Maintenance Tires  
 \$10 Donation to your Parish/visit  
**mechaniQ.ca**  
 6905 Millcreek Dr. 905.542.3360

  
**SENSE OF HEARING**  
 AUDIOLOGY & HEARING AID SERVICES  
 Are you having difficulties hearing your loved ones clearly?  
**Hear Better = Live Better**  
 #5A-660 Eglinton Ave. W. (Corner of Mavis & Eglinton)  
 289-652-2311  
 \*wax removal available

  
**RE/MAX**  
 Realty Specialist Inc., Brokerage  
**Reynold Sequeira**  
 Sales Representative  
 Bus: 905-272-3434  
 Cell: 647-290-7377  
 reynseq@hotmail.com  
 4310 Sherwoodtowne Blvd.,  
 www.reynoldsequeira.com  


**MATH TUTORING**  
 UP TO GRADE 12  
**NOEL LEWIS** 647-878-4126  
 LewisNoelJohn@gmail.com

  
**RIGHT AT HOME**  
 REALTY INC. BROKERAGE  
**Seba Daniel - Real Estate Broker**  
 daniel6591@gmail.com  
 647-292-0239  
 www.SellBuyDaniel.ca  


  
**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**  
 FUNERAL SERVICES  
 www.catholic-cemeteries.com  
 Assumption Cemetery 905-670-8801  
 Queen of Heaven Cemetery 905-851-5822  
 Catholic Cremation Services, Funeral • Cremation • Burial 905-670-8801

  
**GARRICK NAZREN**  
 CONTACT GARRICK NAZREN TODAY FOR ALL OF YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS  
  
**ROYAL LEPAGE** 647.237.5782  
 Signature Realty garrick@royalpage.ca  
NO. CONDO & CREATION BROKERAGE

  
**THE MESSIAH HOME RENOVATION**  
*Life's beautiful with the Messiah*  
**647.858.7048**  
 ulyssesrendorio@yahoo.com

**TEAM DCOSTA**   
**RE/MAX**  
 REALTY SERVICES  
 INC. BROKERAGE  
 INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED  
**LET'S CHAT REAL ESTATE**  
 Brian D'Costa 647.233.7300  
 Astrid D'Rosario 416.819.2355  
 Sales Representatives  
 teamdcosta@gmail.com  
 teamdcosta.com  
